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## The Salazar family

### Before you watch

1 **SPEAKING** Work in pairs. Answer the questions.

- 1 Where are your parents from?
- 2 How old are they?
- 3 What do they look like?

### Comprehension check

2 **▶** Watch the DVD clip. Choose the correct answers.

- 1 Who is Nancy Salazar?  
a Gabe's wife    b Gabe's mum    c Gabe's sister
- 2 How many children are in the Salazar family?  
a two    b three    c four
- 3 Who goes surfing?  
a Gabe's wife    b Gabe's son    c Gabe's daughter

3 **▶** Watch again. Choose the correct words.

- 1 Gabe **has** / **hasn't** got a moustache.
- 2 Gabe has got short **dark** / **fair** hair.
- 3 Nancy has got **short** / **long** dark hair.
- 4 The Salazar family eat **inside** / **outside**.
- 5 David has got **wavy** / **straight** dark hair.
- 6 David **has** / **hasn't** got glasses.

4 **▶** Watch again. Complete the sentences with one word in each gap.

- 1 Gabe's parents are from \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 Michelle is Gabe's \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 Michelle and Suzy are \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 The family \_\_\_\_\_ dinner together in the kitchen.
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_ and Michelle are similar ages.
- 6 Gabe and David go to the beach on \_\_\_\_\_.

### Round up

5 **SPEAKING** Work in groups. Answer the question.

Would you like to live in Los Angeles? Why? / Why not?

## Vocabulary

### 6 RECYCLE Choose the correct words.

- 1 My dad's mum and dad – my **grandparents** / **parents** – are 92 years old.
- 2 My mum's sister – my **uncle** / **aunt** – lives in Australia.
- 3 Paul lives with his **wife** / **cousin** and their three children.
- 4 My uncle's son, Phil, is my favourite **aunt** / **cousin**.
- 5 I share a bedroom with my older **niece** / **sister**, Kate.
- 6 My **uncle** / **wife**, Richard, lives in Croatia with his family.

### 7 Complete the sentences with the words below.

barbecue kitchen summer sunny surfboard

- 1 We cook dinner and wash the dishes in the \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 In the \_\_\_\_\_, we go to the beach every day.
- 3 It's hot and \_\_\_\_\_ in Spain in July.
- 4 When it's warm outside, we cook on the \_\_\_\_\_ and have dinner in the garden.
- 5 I take my \_\_\_\_\_ to the beach with me and use it a lot.

## Extension

### 8 Work in pairs. Look at the photos from the video. Make notes about what the people look like.



### 9 Describe the people to each other using the key phrases for describing people. Then describe them to the rest of the class.

#### Describing people

This is a photo of ...

He / She is old / young.

He / She's got long / medium-length / short / wavy / straight / dark / fair hair.

He / She's got brown / blue / green eyes.

He / She's got / hasn't got a beard / moustache.

He / She wears glasses.

## DVD clip summary

This DVD clip is about a typical American family who live in Los Angeles, California. It gives information about where they are from, where they live, how old they are and their hobbies.

## Background

Los Angeles is a big city in California, on the west coast of the USA. It's got a population of 3.9 million people and is home to people from more than 140 countries speaking over 200 different languages. There is a large European and Middle Eastern population and almost 50% of the population are Hispanic or Latin American.

It's a very sunny city and has over 300 hours of sunshine a month during June, July and August.

Surfing originated in Hawaii and the islands of the South Pacific hundreds of years ago, but became popular in California in the last century. Some of the most famous surfing beaches in the world are in California, including Malibu, Topanga and Venice Beach. Surfing is a big part of the Californian culture.

## Before you watch

### Exercise 1

- Read the questions with the class and elicit answers from individual students. Use their answers to start a class discussion.
- **Answers:** Students' own answers

## Comprehension check

### Exercise 2

- **Pre-watching:** Go through the questions with the students.
-  Play the whole DVD clip. The students choose the correct answers. Check their answers.
- **Answers:** 1 a 2 c 3 b

### Exercise 3

- **Pre-watching:** Ask the students to try and choose the correct answers before they watch the DVD clip again.
- **Weaker classes:** Play the DVD clip first and pause after each answer.
-  Play the DVD clip to check the answers.
- **Answers:** 1 hasn't 2 dark 3 long 4 outside 5 wavy 6 hasn't

### Exercise 4

- **Pre-watching:** Ask the students to try and complete the sentences with the correct words before they watch the DVD clip again.
- **Weaker classes:** Write the answers on the board in the wrong order and ask students to match them with the gaps.
-  Play the DVD clip to check the answers.
- **Answers:** 1 Turkey 2 daughter 3 sisters 4 cook 5 David 6 Saturdays

## Round up

### Exercise 5

- Put the students in groups. Give them a few minutes to discuss the question.
- **Answers:** Students' own answers

## Vocabulary

### Exercise 6

- Ask the students to read through the sentences first, then choose the correct answers. With a **weaker class**, you could elicit the meanings of the family words first.
- **Answers:** 1 grandparents 2 aunt 3 wife 4 cousin 5 sister 6 uncle

### Exercise 7

- Ask the students to read the sentences through first, then complete them. With a **weaker class**, you could elicit the meanings of the words first.
- **Answers:** 1 kitchen 2 summer 3 sunny 4 barbecue 5 surfboard

## Extension

### Exercises 8 and 9

- **Materials needed:** None
- **Preparation:** Put the students in pairs. Ask them to look at the photos and make notes about what the two people look like.
- **Language:** Encourage them to use the key phrases for describing people.
- **Activity:** Ask the students to describe the photos for 2–3 minutes. They then discuss the photos with the whole class.
- **Extension:** Ask the students to describe people in their family or famous people from their country.

## The Salazar family

This is Gabe Salazar. He's 37 years old and he's tall with brown hair and brown eyes. Gabe is American, but his parents and grandparent aren't. They're from Turkey. A lot of Gabe's uncles, aunts and cousins still live there. But Gabe lives in Los Angeles, California, with his wife and children. Gabe's wife is called Nancy. She's also 37. She isn't very tall and she has long, brown hair and brown eyes. She isn't from LA; she's from San Antonio, Texas. A lot of her uncles, aunts and cousins still live there. Gabe and Nancy have got four children – David, Gabe Junior, Michelle and Suzy.

The Salazar family are all hard-working, and they usually do the housework together. At the moment, they're cooking the dinner in the kitchen, but they don't stay inside for long. It's summer in LA and the weather is warm and sunny. At this time of year, the family cook their food on the barbecue and they set the table outside. They share their food and they talk about their day. They're all very friendly, so they chat a lot. The children are nice and polite, but they are also very talkative. David and Michelle are almost the same age, so they aren't just brother and sister; they're friends too.

The Salazar family spend a lot of time together. On Saturdays, Gabe and David go to the beach because David loves surfing. Suzy and Michelle don't like surfing and Gabe Junior is very young so he's frightened of the water. But David surfs all the time and he's very good at it. Los Angeles is famous for its long, sandy beaches so there are lots of places to surf. Today, David has a new surfboard and he's very excited about it, but Gabe doesn't get into the water. He sits on the beach and watches David practise. It's a great way to spend time with his son.

The Salazars are a typical American family, and they really enjoy the time they spend together.