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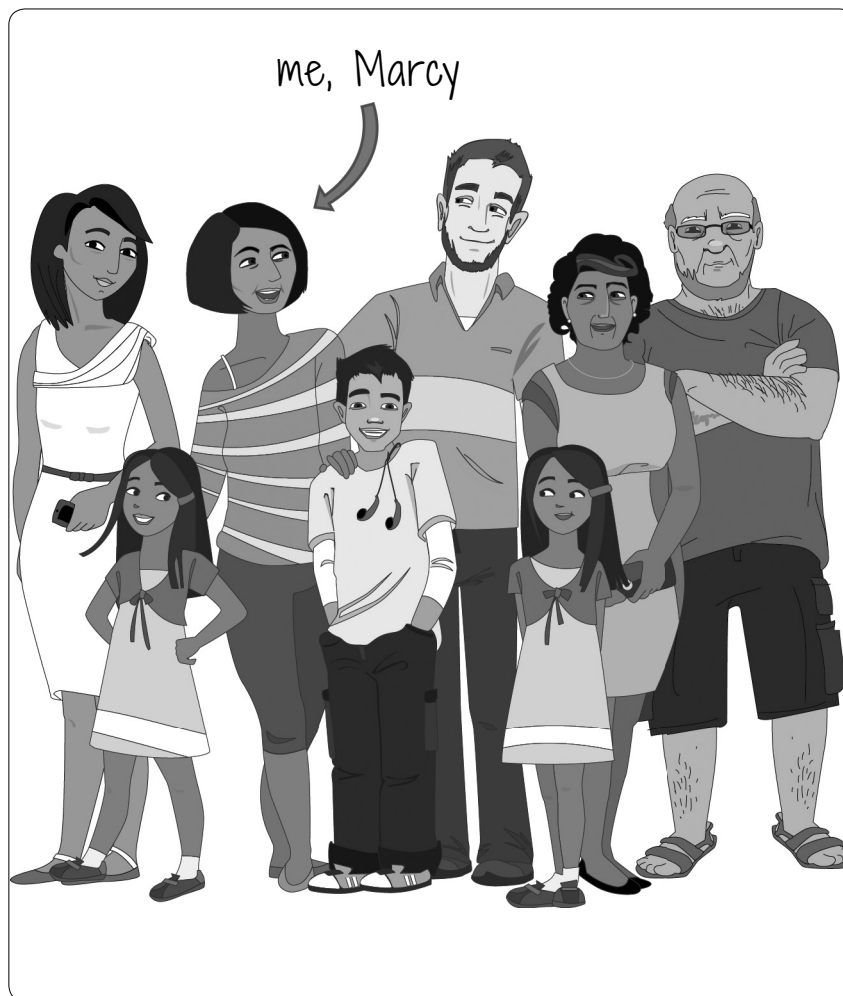
Maybe Next Year



SAMPLE PAGES

CLARE HARRIS

1. Marcy



Maybe Next Year **1**

Hello. My name is Marcy.

I'm 38 years old.

I live at number 5, Hope Street.



I'm married to a lovely man called Vic.

He's 34 years old.

Yes, I'm 38 and he's 34.

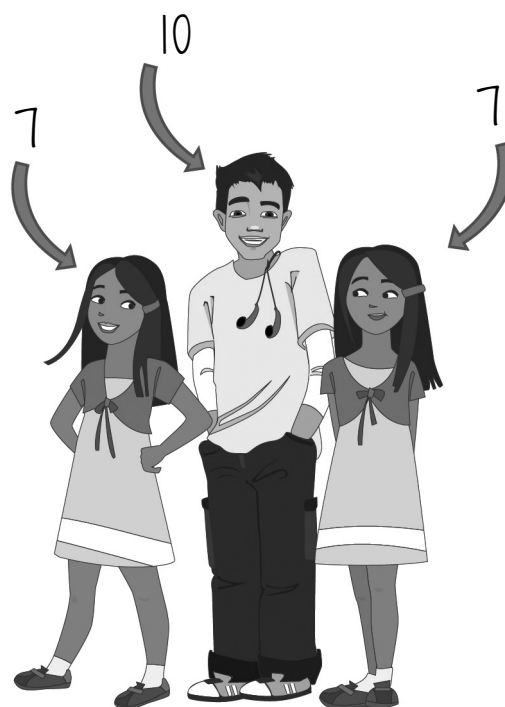
"You're the boss, Marcy!" he says. Then he smiles.

We've got three children.

Our son's name is Tom. He's ten.

Our daughters Holly and Poppy are twins.

They're seven.



This is our house.

Six people live in our house:

me, my husband, our three children—
and my mum, Rosa.



It's a small house.

It's too small for six people.

Maybe we can move house?

Maybe next year.

QUESTIONS FOR TEACHERS TO ASK

STORY 1

> Before reading

Learners have practised the language of personal ID: name, address, age, family words.

Vocabulary twins, boss, maybe

> Picture prediction

Look at the family picture first.

- How many people in this family?
- What are their names?
- The two girls look the same. What's the word for two children born together?

Now look at the pictures in the story.

- How old is the boy?
- How old are the girls?
- Is their house big or small?

> After reading: questions

- What's Marcy's address?
- How old is Marcy? How old is Vic?
- Who is older? (new word)
- Who is younger? (new word)
- What does Vic say?
- How many children have they got?
- How many people live in the house?
- What's the problem?
- Will they move?

> Language to note

- I'm married to ...
- too small (vs. very small)

> Discussion: extending the text

- Is Marcy really the boss, or is that a joke?
- Do you think the house is too small?

> Discussion: about learners' lives

- How many people in your family?
- Tell us about them. (NOTE: Be cautious if learners have lost family members.)
- How many people in your house or flat?
- Is it big or small?
- What street number is it?
- What's your address?
- How old are you?
- How old is your neighbour in class?
- Who is older?
- Who is younger? (if appropriate to discuss)

> Extra work on spelling/sounds: short vowel sounds a, e, i, o, u

- *married, that*
- *hello, ten, seven, next*
- *Vic, children, twins, six*
- *boss, got, Holly, Poppy*
- *number, husband, mum*

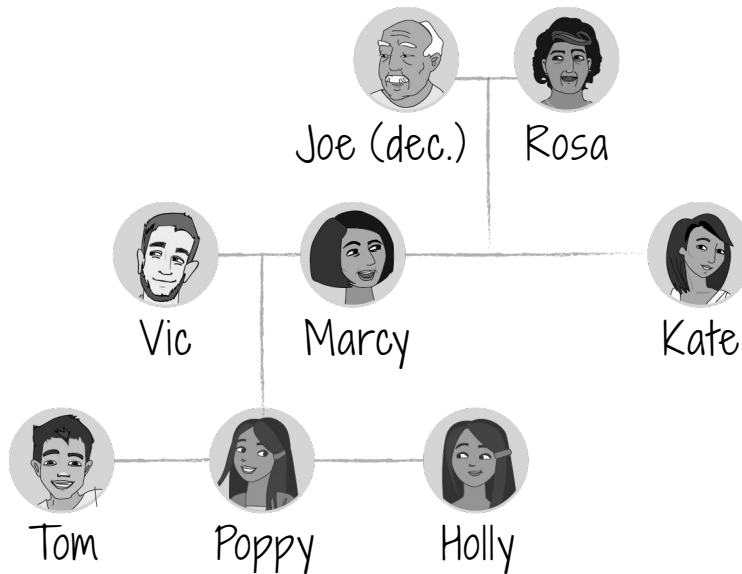
Next page: Family tree >>

This is the chance to draw a simple family tree. You may not want to use this if you realise that learners have lost family members, but it can also be a way for them to share this. It can be helpful to draw your own family tree on the board.



Family tree

Look at Marcy's family tree. Marcy's father is *deceased* (say *de-SEEST*—it means he's dead). Marcy has one sister.



Can you draw and label your own family tree or family picture?



1

Quiz

Circle the correct answer.

1. Marcy is:

- single.
- married.
- divorced.

3. Marcy and Vic have:

- three children.
- two children.
- four children.

2. Marcy is:

- older than Vic.
- younger than Vic.
- the same age as Vic.

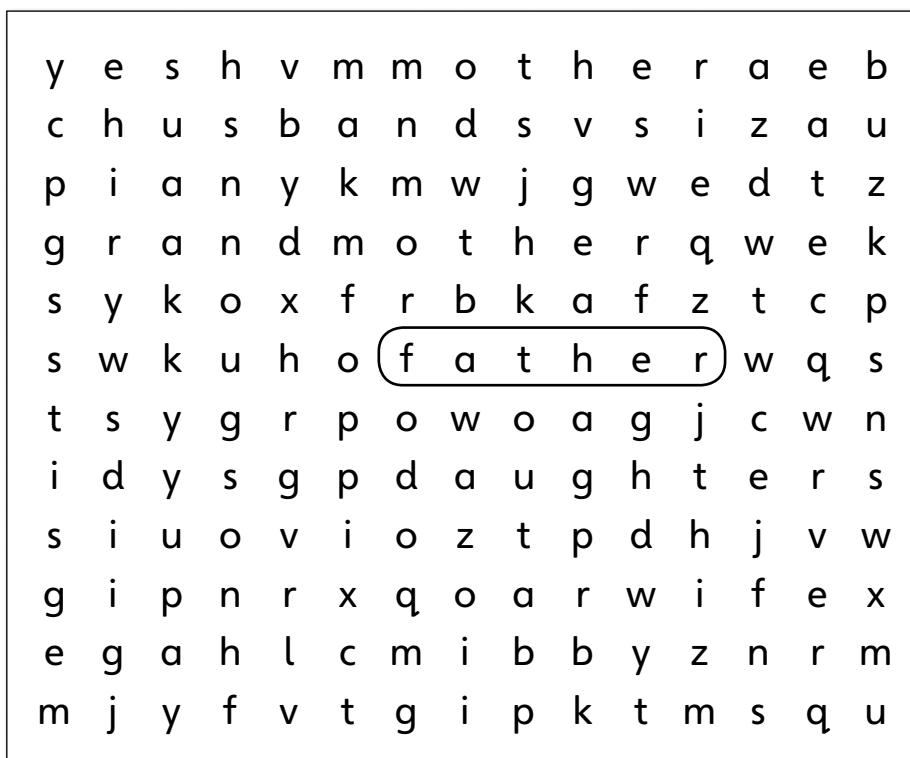
4. They live in a house with:

- Marcy's mum.
- Vic's mum.
- Vic's boss.

2

Family words wordfind

Find the family words in the wordfind. Some words are across →.
One word is down ↓.



~~father~~ mother son daughters
wife husband grandmother



3

Missing words

Write the missing words from the story.



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I _____ at number 5, Hope Street.

I'm married to a lovely _____ called Vic.

He's 34 years _____ .

Yes, I'm 38 and he's 34.

"You're the _____ , Marcy!" he says.

boss
live
man
old
name
years

4

Which word?

Match the words from the story. Read across → and down ↓
the grey boxes to find a new word.

a						man
						children
						people
a						house
						year

three
small
next
lovely
six

The new word is _____ .

(You can _____ a house!)

MAYBE NEXT YEAR
WORKSHEET ANSWER KEY

STORY 1 ANSWERS

1 QUIZ

1. married.
2. older than Vic.
3. three children.
4. Marcy's mum.

2 FAMILY WORDS WORDFIND

y e s h v m m o t h e r a e b
 c h u s b a n d s v s i z a u
 p i a n y k m w j g w e d t z
g r a n d m o t h e r q w e k
 s y k o x f r b k a f z t c p
 s w k u h o f a t h e r w q s
 t s y g r p o w o a g j c w n
 i d y s g p d a u g h t e r s
 s i u o v i o z t p d h j v w
 g i p n r x q o a r w i f e x
 e g a h l c m i b b y z n r m
 m j y f v t g i p k t m s q u

3 MISSING WORDS

name, years, live, man, old, boss

4 WHICH WORD?

lovely

three

six

small

next

The new word is rent.

STORY 2 ANSWERS

1 QUIZ

1. husband.
2. day.
3. 3 p.m.
4. at the weekend.

2 DAYS OF THE WEEK WORDFIND

H C X I O A F E Z E O L F I M
 Y F C A G U M O J M F X I K S
W L C Q N V R X Y R W S O D
 O E D I W X H M S E I T B N J
 R D S U N D A Y A J D Y D B V
 C N L E Q P D J T W A K J A O
 M E X O H S N F U F Y A Z D W
 L S A R O T H U R S D A Y V X
 D D U A P M O N D A Y J K W G
 E A G F P N F U A I G C M O M
 F Y L V X G F D Y I S P W K E
 D T U E S D A Y Z B M D P F T

3 MISSING WORDS

husband, wife, much, starts, finish, sometimes

4 WHICH WORD?

start

come

see

wake

send

write

The new word is meet.