

Unit 3 Language in use

Language practice

He **left** school and **began** work at the age of twelve.

But he **took** the name Mark Twain and **became** very famous in the 1860s.

He **wrote** about thirty-eight plays.

In 1599 the company **built** the Globe Theatre.

1 Complete the sentences about Betty's life.

- 1 Betty _____ (be born) in Quincy.
- 2 She _____ (go) to John Adams Primary School.
- 3 She _____ (be) happy in Quincy.
- 4 She _____ (have) lots of friends there.
- 5 She _____ (come) to China in 2008.

2 Complete the passage with the correct form of the words.

When my father was young, he (1) _____ (not have) much money. He (2) _____ (begin) work at eight o'clock and (3) _____ (leave) at five. When he (4) _____ (get) home, he always (5) _____ (read) a book. In the evening he (6) _____ (go) to the park and (7) _____ (have) a good time.

3 Complete the conversation with the correct form of the words from the box. You can use the words twice.

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Tony: What time did you (1) _____ school every day when you were a boy?

Tony's dad: I (2) _____ at about five o'clock, I think.

Tony: And what time did you (3) _____ home?

Tony's dad: Oh, I (4) _____ home about half an hour after that, at half past five.

Tony: Did you (5) _____ a lot of homework?

Tony's dad: Yes, I (6) _____.

Tony: Did you (7) _____ to play football when you were at school?

Tony's dad: No, I (8) _____ after you were born.

4 Complete the passage with the correct form of the words from the box.

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Deng Yaping was born in 1973 in Zhengzhou, China. She (1) _____ playing table tennis at five. She was only fifteen when she won her first match for China. She (2) _____ the National Team in 1988. Deng won Olympic gold four times and she (3) _____ famous all over the world. At the age of twenty-four, Deng Yaping (4) _____ the National Team and became a student. She (5) _____ very hard. She then (6) _____ to England and studied there.

Around the world

Stratford-upon-Avon

Stratford-upon-Avon is a small town in the middle of England and is famous because it is the birthplace of William Shakespeare, the greatest English playwright. Stratford is set in the beautiful countryside on the River Avon. At the Royal Shakespeare Company Theatre, you can see Shakespeare's plays like *Romeo and Juliet* and *Hamlet* as well as other plays. Stratford is a historic town and well worth visiting for a taste of Old England.

**Module task:** Writing about people in the past

5 Find out about your parents' or grandparents' lives when they were young. Ask:

- Where did you live?
- What did you often watch?
- What games did you play?
- When did you get married?
- How did you travel?

Now make notes.

- Write a timeline.
- Write notes on the timeline.

6 Write a paragraph about their lives.

- Write the paragraph.
- Do some drawings.

7 Show your paragraph to the whole class.