



ENGLISH

Chapter 2 Session B

4th
SECONDARY

Skills Expansion



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Listening

Skills expansion



Skill: Predicting


1 Martha, from Maryland, U.S., is 106 years old. What do you think her life used to be like 100 years ago? Circle the statements you think are true.

- 1 ☐ Martha didn't go to school.
- 2 ☐ The laundry and ironing used to take three days.
- 3 ☐ She used to get water from a river.
- 4 ☐ She used to take a bath once a month.
- 5 ☐ The toilet was outside, near the house.
- 6 ☐ She used to travel by horse.
- 7 ☐ There was electricity where she lived.
- 8 ☐ She used to be unhappy when she was a child.

Skills tip

Thinking about the topic **before** you listen is a good way to prepare and focus your ideas.



2  07 Listen to Martha answer questions on a radio show about her life. Mark each statement T (true) or F (false).





Viewing



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Before you watch, look at these words and phrases Fitz uses to talk about a memory of his school days. Can you predict what his story is about?


won	re-take	rule	track team
failed	championships	grades	begged


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Watch the video. Did you correctly predict Fitz's story?



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3 Watch again. Find five mistakes in the summary.

Fitz used to be on the track team at senior high school. In order to participate, students had to get good grades. Unfortunately, he failed an exam the week before the national championships. He begged his coach to let him re-take the test. He studied all night and passed the exam in the morning, so he was able to race. In fact, his team, came second!

4 What school sports or activities did you use to do when you were younger? Do you have happy memories of them? Tell a partner.





Video **vocabulary**

beg (v.) to (desperately) ask for something

championship (n.) competition to find the best player

end up (v.) conclude, finish

track team (n.) running team



Children see the world differently from adults. Do you remember the things you used to believe when you were a child?

Here are some funny, but true, stories from around the world.

- When I was young, I used to think that butter came from butterflies! **Cristina, Brazil**
- Whenever our grandparents used to visit, my brother and I always went to the bus station to meet them. For years we thought they actually lived at the bus station.
Marianne, France
- I used to believe that there was a little man inside the refrigerator. It was his job to turn the light on and off. I used to spend hours opening the door, trying to catch him.
Ji-Hong, China



- I used to believe that firemen were bad people who started fires in people's homes. **Niran, Thailand**

- I used to believe I could fly, like Superman. One day I decided to show my friends. I jumped out of my bedroom window ... and spent four months in the hospital.
Daisuke, Japan



- My parents said I could be anything I wanted when I grew up. For a long time I wanted to be a train. **Toni, Italy**
- I used to believe that there was a monster under my bed. At night I used to be really scared.
Molly, U.K.
- I used to believe my toys came alive while I was asleep. I used to dress them in warm clothes in the winter, so they wouldn't get cold when they went outside.
Lily, U.S.



**1**

08 Read the stories about things people used to believe when they were children. Which story do you think is funniest?

2

Work with a partner. Retell Molly's story using these key words.

night

bed

monster

scared

Molly used to believe that ...



**3**

Work with your partner and note the key words in each story. Then retell each story using the key words.

4

What did you use to believe when you were a child? Make a group and tell your classmates.

I used to believe that my mom and dad were aliens from another planet. I thought they used to change shape when I wasn't looking!



Study guide



Writing

- 1 Write about three things you used to do when you were younger, but don't do anymore. Look at the Study guide to help you.**

When I was younger, I used to go swimming in the river near my home with my friends.

Writing about your childhood

- 1 Think of something you used to do when you were younger.
go swimming / play soccer
- 2 Say where you used to do this.
in the river near my home / in the park
- 3 Add some details.
with my friends / on my own



WORKBOOK AUDIO TRACK 1



WORKBOOK AUDIO TRACK 2

