

Level: E2S1 **Unit 2**: Background **Key point 2.1**: Talking about events in life

Vocabulary	Structures
Grow up	Where did you grow up?
Start school/ Leave school	I grew up in (New Delhi).
College	
Education	When did you finish your college course?
Student	I graduated two years ago
Studying	
Graduated	
Get a job	
Get promoted	
Move	
Meet your partner	
Get married	
Get divorced	
Have children/have kids	
Retired	

2.1 Follow-up

Look at the extracts below, from the article about education in Reading 2.1. Match 1–4 to A–D. Then look at Reading 2.1 and check your answers.

How many highflyers	1	Α	Is the extra money it costs worth it, for graduates and
does the country need?			for the country's economy? And – the big question –
			who should pay?
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Reading 2.1

Higher education is often a ticket to a better future. But are we educating too many highflyers?

In many countries, the number of students going to college is increasing. Generally, people think that getting a better education is a good thing. But - just like studying at university things are not so simple. It's important to find a balance between the number of people who graduate from college and the number of young people who begin work as soon as they leave school. To do that, there are several important things to think about.

- How many highflyers does the country need? All countries need engineers, doctors and lawyers. But they also need taxi drivers, hairdressers and plumbers. For many important jobs, people need on-thejob training. They don't need to spend years in higher education.
- What's the attitude of people in the country?
 Is there a culture of "work pays", where you can find a job after school, work hard and get promoted? Or is there an "education



culture", where people who come from universities get the best jobs?

 How does higher education change demographics?
 People who take longer to finish their education are usually older before they leave their parents, buy their first home, have children, etc.

 What about the price of higher education?
 Is the extra money it costs worth it, for graduates and for the country's economy?
 And – the big question – who should pay?

Practice Exercise 1

Audio link: https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/8miergcznwatffi1d8wqp/AF-sGr_5Pw54mf171VPYi00?e=2&preview=05-E2-Step1+Unit2++L2.1C.mp3&rlkey=i0y3oxt3hrn68y4c87ipa3wx3&st=plit4l7w&dl=0

Listen And Mark The Statements As True Or False The speaker believes there should be more college courses for people who are 1 True False already working. The speaker does not think it's important to train people before they start their 2 True **False** careers. The speaker emphasizes the importance of retraining people during their 3 True False careers. 4 The speaker suggests that colleges need to offer shorter and part-time courses. **False** True 5 The speaker believes that colleges do not need to be more flexible. True False



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Practice Exercise 2

Use the words below to complete the questions in 1–8.						
get get graduate grow have leave move study						
1 Did you up in this region?						
2 Is it difficult to get a job when you college?						
3 Where did you married?						
4 How many children do you ?						
5 Is your new house built? When are you going to ?						
6 Why do you want to history?						
7 Do you think you'll promoted?						
8 When did you from college?						

ANSWERS

Follow up 2.1

- 1. D
- 2. C
- 3. B
- 4. A

Practice Exercise 1

- 1. T
- 2. F
- 3. F
- 4. T
- 5. F



Practice Exercise 2

Use the correct forms of the words below to complete 1-9.							
buy come get	go have leave	meet speak take					
1 When I was a teenager, I Went to school in Casablan							
2 After school, I To	ook a two-	a two-year course at college.					
3 I Had	a great time last summer.						
4 I Got	married ten years ago.						
5 I Came	to live in this region two years ago.						
6 I Left	college when I was 22.						
7 I Met	my wife when we were at university.						
8 I Spoke	to my sister on the phone last night.						
9 We Bought	our house at the	end of last year.					