

### Unit 12 Across the generations

#### Before you watch

Think about what life was like 50 or 60 years ago. Which of the values from the box have changed? Which values have stayed the same? Discuss in pairs.

being independent   expressing your creativity   finding adventure  
having good friendships   having job satisfaction   having job security  
having power   having status   helping your community   working hard

#### While you watch

**1 Watch the video. Which two values from the box above are mentioned in each interview?**

Claire and Valerie: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Jack and Stan: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

**2 Watch the video and decide if the statements are true or false, according to the speakers. Choose T (true) or F (false).**

- |   |  |       |
|---|--|-------|
| 1 | Nowadays, people don't usually get married until they are at least 30. | T / F |
| 2 | Nowadays, people have to take responsibility at a young age.           | T / F |
| 3 | In the past, kids stayed young for longer.                             | T / F |
| 4 | Nowadays, people know everyone who lives near them.                    | T / F |
| 5 | In the past, people had friends who lived all over the world.          | T / F |
| 6 | In the past, people had a lot of possessions.                          | T / F |
| 7 | Nowadays, it is difficult to find a job.                               | T / F |
| 8 | Nowadays, young people travel more.                                    | T / F |

#### After you watch

**1 Complete the sentences with results that are generally true, using the zero conditional.**

- If people don't get married until they are at least 30, \_\_\_\_\_.
- If people have friends all over the world, \_\_\_\_\_.
- If young people have a lot of possessions, \_\_\_\_\_.
- If it is difficult to find a job, \_\_\_\_\_.
- If young people travel the world, \_\_\_\_\_.

**2 Complete the sentences with a likely or possible result, using the first conditional.**

- 1 If Claire doesn't get married until she's much older, \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 If Jack leaves school with no qualifications, \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 If Jack goes traveling, \_\_\_\_\_.

**3 Complete the sentences with what the result would be if things were different, using the second conditional.**

- 1 If young people nowadays had to take responsibility at a younger age, \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 If people knew everyone who lived near them, \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 If the internet didn't exist, \_\_\_\_\_.

**Over to you**

**Discuss the sentences you completed in *After you watch* in pairs.  
Do you agree? Why or why not? Try to use some of these phrases.**

*Yes, and I'd like to add ...*

*And another thing is that ...*

*But what about ...*

*Not really, because ...*

*A good example of that is ...*

*You're forgetting about ...*