

# 2 What do you remember?

## GRAMMAR

Circle the right answer, a, b, or c.

- Some people think that \_\_\_\_\_ don't pay enough tax.
  - the rich
  - the rich people
  - rich
- A Which shoes do you like best?
 

B I like \_\_\_\_\_.

  - the reds
  - the red
  - the red ones
- I got a \_\_\_\_\_ bag for my birthday.
  - beautiful leather Italian
  - Italian leather beautiful
  - beautiful Italian leather
- We \_\_\_\_\_ for about five hours when we decided to stop and rest.
  - were driving
  - had been driving
  - have driven
- When we got to Terminal 2, the flight from London \_\_\_\_\_.
  - had already landed
  - had already been landing
  - already landed
- As soon as we arrived at the airport, we \_\_\_\_\_.
  - had checked in
  - were checking in
  - checked in
- Her father \_\_\_\_\_.
  - speaks very fluently English
  - speaks English very fluently
  - speaks English very fluent
- I just need another five minutes. \_\_\_\_\_.
  - I've nearly finished
  - Nearly I've finished
  - I've finished nearly
- The driver \_\_\_\_\_ in the accident.
  - seriously was injured
  - was injured seriously
  - was seriously injured
- It was \_\_\_\_\_ boring film that we left in the middle of it.
  - a so
  - such a
  - a such

## VOCABULARY

a Word groups. Underline the word that is different. Say why.

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|------------|---------|------------|-----------|
| 1 striped  | spotted | hooded     | patterned |
| 2 silk     | cotton  | fur        | smart     |
| 3 station  | flight  | land       | pilot     |
| 4 backpack | scarf   | vest       | cardigan  |
| 5 to fit   | to suit | to hang up | to match  |
| 6 lately   | slowly  | nearly     | friendly  |

b Complete the sentences with one word.






- The plane took \_\_\_\_\_ at 7.15.
- I've just found \_\_\_\_\_ that my boss is going to work for another company.
- You'd better walk a bit faster if you don't want to get left \_\_\_\_\_.
- People here dress \_\_\_\_\_ a lot for weddings – long dresses and suits.
- We checked \_\_\_\_\_ as soon as we got to the airport.
- My new jeans fit \_\_\_\_\_ a glove – they're so comfortable.
- I live quite near here, \_\_\_\_\_ the end of this road.

c Circle the right word.

- We haven't seen each other much *late* / *lately*.
- The skirt doesn't *fit* / *suit* me. It's a bit too big.
- The view is awful! You can't *even* / *ever* see the sea!
- I've been working so *hard* / *hardly* that I think I need a holiday.
- How much *cases* / *luggage* have you got?
- I love all pasta, *especially* / *specially* lasagne.
- Can I go in jeans? I don't feel like *getting dressed* / *getting changed*.

## PRONUNCIATION

a Underline the word with a different sound.

1	 aisle	flight	linen	striped
2	 nearly	early	heard	fur
3	 wear	airline	carefully	weren't
4	 crew	loose	suit	took
5	 crashed	missed	changed	dressed

b Underline the stressed syllable.

- |         |           |          |           |          |
|---------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| stylish | undressed | arrivals | passenger | actually |
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### CAN YOU UNDERSTAND THIS TEXT?

- a Read the article and fill the gaps with a sentence A–E.
- A 'You see how safe it is,' he smiled.  
 B Apparently, they thought that was what would work best for me.  
 C It was an experience I would rather not go through again.  
 D Like many fearful fliers, I often experienced a heightened sense of hearing, noticing small changes in noises and amplifying them dramatically in my mind.  
 E Which is unfortunate, because as a foreign journalist I can't exactly stay at home.
- b Look at the **highlighted** words and phrases. Can you guess what they mean?

### CAN YOU UNDERSTAND THESE PEOPLE?

- a **2.21** Listen and circle the correct answer, a, b, or c.
- What did the woman buy in the sales?
    - A black sweater.
    - A blue jacket.
    - A black jacket.
  - How did the man feel?
    - embarrassed
    - offended
    - confused
  - What is the man's criticism of the book?
    - It's too long.
    - It's boring.
    - It's complicated.
  - The flight to Budapest will leave from \_\_\_\_\_.
    - Gate B 50
    - Gate P 50
    - Gate B 15
  - The man is stressed because \_\_\_\_\_.
    - his friends have a problem with their luggage
    - his friends may think he isn't there
    - his friends' flight was late
- b **2.22** Listen to a Swede talking about people from his country. Answer the questions.
- What does he think is the stereotype of the Swedes?
  - How much of the stereotype does he think is true?
  - Why does he mention the Swedish army?
  - What three other aspects of the Swedes does he mention?
  - What does he say about Swedish men?

### CAN YOU SAY THIS IN ENGLISH?

Can you...?

- describe the strengths and weaknesses of people from your country
- describe what someone in the room is wearing
- describe a trip you have taken by train or plane



## How I conquered my fear of flying

Journalist and documentary maker Sean Langan talks about his irrational phobia of flying.

My fear of flying is not just a mild case, but a real, oh-my-God-I'm-going-to-die-any-second kind of fear. <sup>1</sup>  My job has taken me to dangerous places such as Afghanistan and Iraq, but I'm far more worried about flying planes than by flying **bullets**. After an awful flight earlier this year on a small plane, I decided I would either have to stop flying altogether or I could try to overcome my fears. Which is why, a few weeks later, I agreed to take the flight to end all fears.

The plane was going almost vertically upwards before moving sharply to the left. To make matters worse, my seat was shaking violently because of severe turbulence. My stomach was turning. The captain, sensing my fear, took his hands off the controls and turned to face me. <sup>2</sup>  In fact Captain Keith Godfrey had designed the flight, or rather the terrifyingly realistic flight simulator, to my needs.

In the two years Virtual Aviation have been running the course at Heathrow, they had never put the plane through such extreme flying before. <sup>3</sup>  And they were right. By showing me just how far you can push a plane, and still keep it safely within its limits, they **allayed my fears**. I had to experience things for myself before I was able to convince myself of the truth. That planes, generally speaking, do not fall out of the sky like **rotten apples**.

In their careful pre-flight questioning with a therapist called Susie, they focused on what lay beneath my fear. <sup>4</sup>  Something moving in an **overhead locker** could sound to me like an engine about to fall off. But Susie focused on my heightened sense of movement as my main problem, which is why during the flight the captain **flipped the plane over** like a pancake.

<sup>5</sup>  But by facing my worst fear, I'd overcome it. And **fellow sufferers** will be glad to know that I got through my next real flight safe and sound.