



# PERSONAL LIFE HISTORY

*Low Intermediate*

*Students write two autobiographical paragraphs and edit their partner's paragraphs.*

## Lesson objectives:

- Write two paragraphs about yourself
- Edit your partner's paragraphs

## Warm up

- Before class: write the lesson objectives on the board. Tell Ss they are going to write about themselves and share the paragraphs with their partner.

## Presentation

- Introduce yourself to the class. Tell the Ss about where you grew up and where you live now. Write two brief paragraphs about yourself on the board and demonstrate indenting the second paragraph. For example:

*I grew up in Madison, Wisconsin. It is very cold in the winter. There are a lot of trees. I am proud to say I grew up in Wisconsin. Now I live in Austin, Texas. It is hot most of the time. Music is important to people in Austin. I am happy to say I live in Austin.*

- Tell Ss they are going to write paragraphs about where they grew up and where they live now. Ensure Ss understand the meaning of grow up.
- Give each S a copy of the Activity Worksheet.
- Ask Ss to write two 4—5 complete sentence paragraphs about themselves.
- Ss write paragraphs. Walk around the room and help Ss as needed.

- After Ss have written their paragraphs, divide class into pairs. Ask Ss to give the Activity Worksheet to their partner.
- Tell Ss that they are going to edit their partner's paragraphs.
- Ask Ss what they should look for when editing. Elicit answers such as: *complete sentences, correct spelling, correct punctuation, correct tense and logical flow*. Write the Ss' suggestions on the board.
- Ss edit their partner's paragraphs. Walk around the room and help Ss as needed.
- After Ss finish editing their partner's paragraph, ask them to return the Activity Worksheet to their partner. Encourage each S to tell their partner something they liked about their paragraphs.
- For homework, Ss should rewrite their paragraphs, incorporating their partner's suggested edits.

## Evaluation

- Ss add the completed Activity Worksheet 1D to their Career Portfolio.



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My Name \_\_\_\_\_

My partner's name \_\_\_\_\_

## All About Me

I grew up in \_\_\_\_\_

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Now I live in \_\_\_\_\_

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