

**TeachingEnglish lesson** 

# **Changing lives**

## Task 1A: Check you understand the meaning of these adjectives then follow the instructions below.

sporty	peaceful	glamorous	calm
exciting	active	hectic	fast-paced
rural	boring	adventurous	action-packed
urban	slow-paced	fun-filled	

- 1. Circle the adjectives which describe your life now. Add more if you need to.
- 2. Underline the adjectives which describe the life you would like to have in the future. Add more if you need to.

Task 1B: Compare the adjectives you circled and underlined. What are the differences? Write some sentences.

I'd like my life in the future to be ...

#### **Task 2: Compare urban and rural life. Think about:**

- pace of life
- expenses
- job opportunities
- schools
- entertainment for young people
- types of housing
- transport networks
- climate
- environment

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Task 3: The Peak District is a National Park in Central England. Why do you think people might want to live here?



#### Task 4: Discuss the questions about Jake's and Jo's stories.

- 1. What might be the biggest change for Jake and for Jo's kids?
- 2. What types of things did Jake and his family find hard to leave in the village?
- 3. What things might be hard to leave behind in Boston for Jo and her husband?
- 4. Do people make lifestyle changes like this in your country?
- 5. Have you ever moved house? Describe what happened and how you felt about the move.

Task 5: You and your friend have won a scholarship to study and live in a different school, college or university. Read the role for Student A or Student B and follow the instructions.

**Student A:** You'd like to study and live at an institution in the city. Make some notes about why you'd like to study and live there.

**Student B:** You'd like to study and live at an institution in the countryside. Make some notes about why you'd like to study and live there.



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