

# Elementary 2

1 When / born?

Write a paragraph about yourself

- 2 Where / born?
- 3 Where / parents born?
- 4 How old were you when you could ...?
  - walk
     talk
     read
     swim
     ride a bike
  - use a computer
     speak a foreign language

10 minutes



#### **Feedback**

#### **Polite requests**

Listen and complete the conversations. Where are the people?











- 2 What differences are there in the requests in exercise 1?
  - 1 Can/Could I ...? and Can/Could you ...? express a request.
    Can/Could I ask you a question?
    Can/Could you do something for me?
  - 2 Can/Could express an ability.
    I can swim./I could swim when I was four.

3 CD2 19 Listen and repeat the requests.
Notice how the intonation falls and rises.





Can I have a coffee, please?

Could you tell me the time, please?

Practice the conversations in exercise 1.

4 Complete the requests with Can/Could I ...? or Can/Could you ...?

1 Can I have a turkey and cheese sandwich, please?

2 mail this letter for me, please?

3 give me your email address?

4 talk to you for a second?

5 lend me \$20 until tomorrow?

6 give me a hand with this box?

CD2 20 Listen and compare. Can you remember the replies? Practice with a partner.

5 Have more conversations with some of these prompts.

a cola pay by credit card
the check
a vanilla ice cream
a glass of water a round-trip ticket
borrow your dictionary do me a favor
try on these jeans sit next to you
give me a ride open the window

Can I have a cola, please?

Sure. Here you are.

Of course. Diet or regular?

Sorry. We don't have any cola.



When were your grandparents and greatgrandparents born? Where were they born? What were their jobs? Were they rich or poor?

If you know, tell the class.

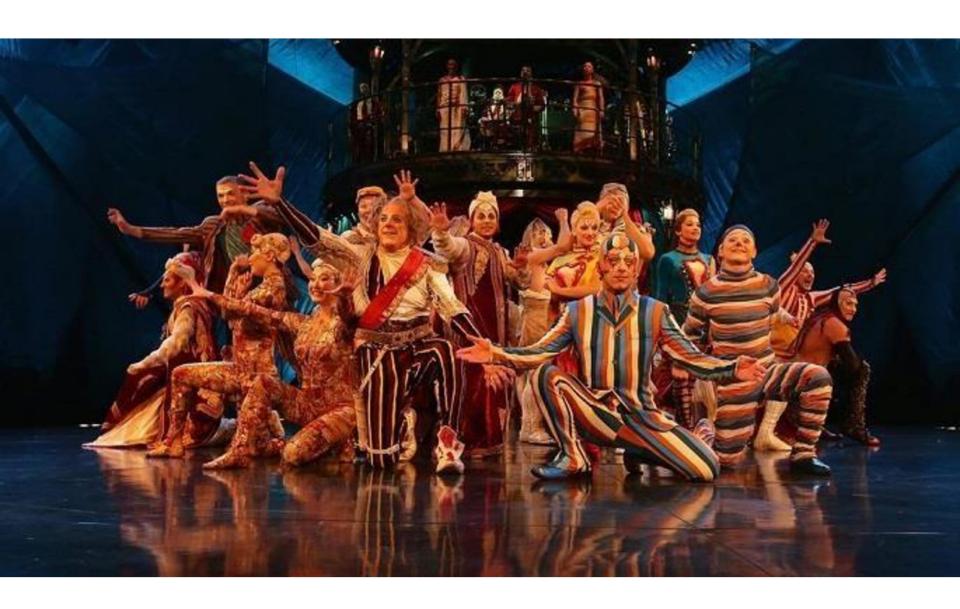
I think my great-grandfather was a farmer.

He was born in about 1920 in ....

# CANADA'S CREATIVE GENIUS

Simple Past – regular verbs

1 Look at the photos. Do you know anything about Cirque du Soleil?





# **Guy Laliberté**

Entrepreneur, Billionaire, Space Explorer

#### A THE MAN

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#### B HIS EARLY YEARS

Guy was born on September 2, 1959, in Quebec City, Canada. His parents weren't poor, but they weren't rich. His mother was a nurse, and his father worked at an aluminum company. In high school, he produced several performance art shows. He also learned to play the accordion and the harmonica really well.

- 2 Read and listen to text A. Complete it with the verbs you hear. Answer the questions.
  - Is Guy Laliberté rich?
  - Where does he live?
  - How much does he earn?

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- Read and listen to text B about his early years. Answer the questions.
  - Where and when was he born?
  - Were his parents rich?
  - What did he do in high school?

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### **GRAMMAR SPOT**

Complete the sentences about Guy with the verb live.

Now he \_\_\_\_\_ in Montreal.

When he was a child, he \_\_\_\_\_ in Quebec City.

2 Read text B. Find the Simple Past of work, produce, and learn. How is the Simple Past formed?

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play travel join publish return plan move earn

I Listen and check. ■

5 CD2 24 Listen to text C. Complete it with the Simple Past form of the verbs in exercise 4.



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play	travel	join	publish
return	plan	move	earn

CD2 23 Listen and check.

#### C HIS SUCCESS

When Guy was 18, he 1 to Europe. He didn't have a				
lot of money, so on his first night in London he stayed on a				
park bench. Guy <sup>2</sup> a little money by performing on the				
streets. He 3 instruments and juggled, and he learned				
to eat fire and walk on stilts! Soon he 4 a group of				
performers. They 5 around Europe doing street shows.				
But he didn't earn much money. So did he give up? No!				
Guy 6 to Quebec. There, he 7 some street parties and festivals. In 1984, his troupe received \$1.2 million from the Quebec government to present a street show for a national celebration. The show, called Cirque du Soleil, was a success. Guy and his troupe organized more shows, and soor Cirque du Soleil was a huge hit. Now, it performs shows all over the world. Millions of people love the show's acrobats,				
its color, and its creativity. Laliberté is now a billionaire				
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His charity work Laliberté started the One Drop Foundation in 2007. The foundation helps people all over the world have access to clean water. In 2009, Guy was the first Canadian private space explorer. From space, he took photos of the earth, especially of water. In June 2011, Laliberté 8\_\_\_\_\_ Gaia, a book that included these photos of the earth. Money from the sales of his book go to the One Drop Foundation. Laliberté is a man who makes a true difference in the world!

## **GRAMMAR SPOT**

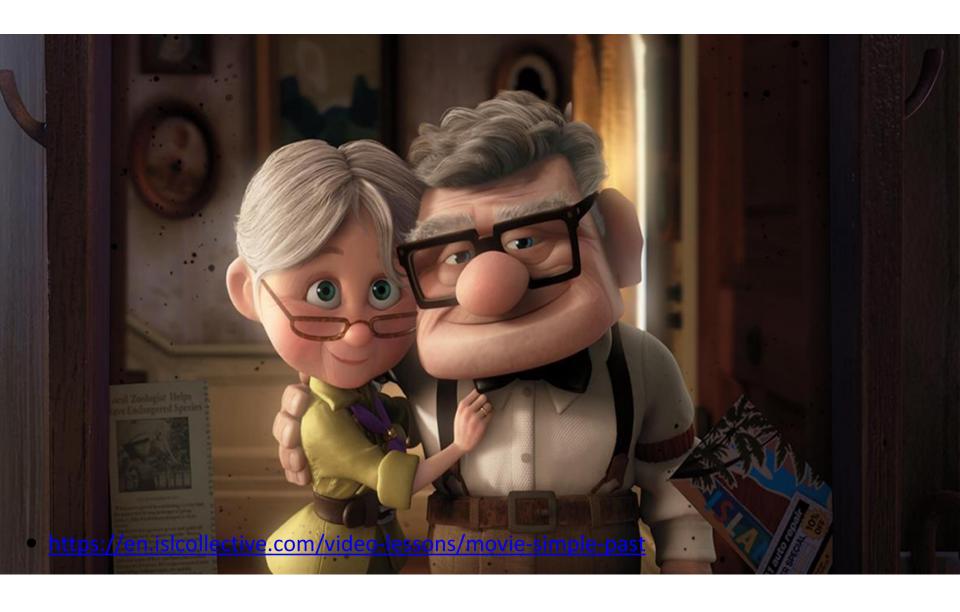
- 1 Find a question with did and a negative with didn't in text C.
- 2 Look at these questions. Where does Guy work? Where did his father work? Did is the past of do and does.
- 3 We use didn't (= did not) to form the negative.
  We didn't have much money.

6	С	omplete the questions about Guy.
	1	Where <u>did</u> his father work?  At an aluminum company.
	2	What his mother do?  She was a nurse.
	3	What instruments Guy in high school?  Harmonica and accordion.
	4	Where he when he was 18? Europe.
	5	Who he with around Europe? A group of performers.
	6	What his troupe in 1984? Cirque du Soleil.
	7	Where he in 2009? To space.

8 When \_\_\_\_ he \_\_\_\_ a book? In 2011.

LISTEN AND CHECK





Complete the questions with did, was, or were. 1 Where were your parents born? 2 Where \_\_\_\_\_ you live when you \_\_\_\_\_ a child? 3 \_\_\_\_\_ you live in a house or an apartment? 4 When \_\_\_\_\_ you start school? 5 Who \_\_\_\_\_ your first teacher? 6 Who \_\_\_\_\_ your best friend? 7 When \_\_\_\_\_ you learn to read and write? 8 When \_\_\_\_\_ you get your first cell phone?

# Pronunciation



4 (D) 26 Listen to three different pronunciations of -ed.

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/t/ worked
/d/ lived
/1d/ started
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Work in groups of two or three. Ask and answer the questions in exercise 1.

# Listen and write the Simple Past verbs in the chart. Then practice saying them.

/t/	/d/	/1 <b>d</b> /
		Ø <b>.</b> €.

#### Tell us about an interesting childhood experience or any experience from the past.

- What happened?
- Where were you?
- Who were you with?
- What did you do?