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Childhood

Before you watch

1 Match the words (a-f) with their definitions (1-6).

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| a) teasing | 1 badly behaved |
| b) grounded | 2 laughing in a childish way |
| c) naughty | 3 not allowed to leave the house as a punishment |
| d) fare | 4 saying or doing unkind things to other people |
| e) nun | 5 a woman who lives in a religious community |
| f) giggling | 6 money you pay to travel on a bus or train |

2 You are going to hear two people talking about their childhood. How do you think the words (a-f) in Exercise 1 are connected to what they say?

While you watch



Ryan



Daniele

3 Watch the programme and answer the questions. Tick (✓) R for Ryan or D for Daniele.

- | Who ... | R | D |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a) used to live in America? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b) used to enjoy playing spies? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c) once had to be rescued from a tree? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d) used to avoid paying bus fares? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e) had a teacher called 'The Wolfman'? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f) once had their teeth knocked out? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| g) used to like dressing up? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| h) was once a professional skateboarder? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| i) used to want to be a pilot? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

4 Watch again and correct these statements.

- Ryan now lives in ~~San Diego~~ ^{London}.
- Ryan was once bitten by a dog he had been teasing on the way to school.
- Daniele and her friend used to go on 'missions' and photograph people.
- Ryan and his friend were rescued from the tree by the army.
- Daniele and her brother used to spend their bus fare on magazines and comics.
- 'The Wolfman' was Ryan's favourite teacher.
- Ryan got his teeth knocked out when a ball hit him in the mouth.
- Daniele used to like dressing up as a doctor or a nurse.
- Ryan became a professional skateboarder when he was eight.
- Daniele wanted to be either a teacher or a pilot.



Daniele and her brother

After you watch

5 Complete these extracts with the words in the box. You will need to use some of the words more than once.

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- When I was growing up I lived in San Diego, California ...
- ... we used to enjoy playing spies. I remember we set _____ a secret society in my garage ...
- ... we were too scared to climb back down, so they ended _____ having to call the fire brigade ...
- ... when the conductor, bus conductor, came around to collect our fares, we used to turn _____ and look _____ the window ...
- Then we would get _____ the bus and spend our bus fare _____ sweets.
- ... and she was constantly telling me _____ for giggling.
- ... I turned around and ran _____ another child and it knocked all of my teeth _____.
- My favourite was dressing _____ as a pirate or a princess or a cowgirl, then we would play in an imaginary world.

6 Work in groups and discuss these questions about your childhood.

- Where did you grow up?
- Did you get told off a lot? What for?
- What did you use to like spending your money on?
- Did you ever set up any secret groups or societies?
- Did you use to dress up?
- Were you ever grounded?



Ryan's football team