

Unit 8

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Student A

1 Your partner has a news report about a missing cat. Ask questions to complete the sentences.

You: *Who were the cat's owners?*

Student B: *They were Jan Haley and her family.*

- 1 The cat's owners were *Jan Haley and her family* (who).
- 2 The cat's name was (what) and he was (how old).
- 3 The cat went missing (when).
- 4 The family's new home was (how far away) (where).
- 5 The children felt (how) about leaving the cat.
- 6 They left the cat behind (why).
- 7 The cat appeared (when) and they found him (where).
- 8 (who) recognised the cat.
- 9 Jan didn't think it was Pipkins (why).
- 10 Jan thinks the cat got to their new home (how).

2 Read the news report about a fishing boat which sank. Then answer your partner's questions.

Deep Sea Mystery

The Coast Guard rescued four fishermen earlier today when their boat, from Port Canaveral in Florida, capsized and sank twenty-five miles from the coast, because its nets became caught on an underwater object.

Describing the incident, one of the fishermen said, 'At first, I thought it must be some kind of sea monster because, whatever it was, it was very powerful.' He pointed out that many local fishermen believe giant squid live in the surrounding deep waters.

A member of the Coast Guard crew involved in the rescue said, 'We think it might have been a submarine.' A Navy spokesperson has stated that there were no US submarines near the area at the time, but suggested the incident could have been caused by a foreign submarine.

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- 1 Read the news report about a missing cat. Then answer your partner's questions.

Lost and Found

Jan Haley and her family had a three-year-old cat, Pipkins, which disappeared just two days before they were due to move. Unable to find the missing animal, the family made the 350-mile move to their new home in Scotland without Pipkins. Jan told us, 'The children were very upset, but we'd already organised the move.'

Three months later, a dirty, hungry cat appeared in their back garden. 'My daughter, Jessie, recognised Pipkins immediately,' said Jan. 'I didn't think it was him, because I was sure he couldn't have travelled so far to somewhere he'd never been before.'

But a trip to the vet confirmed that it was, indeed, Pipkins. No one knows how the cat got to their new home, but Jan thinks he might have hidden in passing vehicles.

- 2 Your partner has a news report about a fishing boat which sank. Ask questions to complete the sentences.

You: Who did the Coast Guard rescue, and when?

Student A: They rescued four fishermen earlier today.

- 1 The Coast Guard rescued *four fishermen* (who) *earlier today* (when).
- 2 The boat came from (where).
- 3 It capsized and sank (how far) from the coast.
- 4 The boat capsized (why).
- 5 One of the fishermen thought at first (what).
- 6 He thought this (why).
- 7 Many local fishermen believe (what).
- 8 The Coast Guard thinks (what).
- 9 A Navy spokesperson has stated (what).
- 10 The spokesperson suggested (what) could have caused the incident.