

## LISTENING AND SPEAKING

### Living in another country

#### Conversations

1 Work with a partner and continue these conversations.

1 A I moved to a new flat last week.

B Oh, really? What's it like?

A Well, it's bigger than my old one but it isn't as modern, and ...

2 A I hear Sandy and Al broke up.

B Yeah. Sandy's got a new boyfriend.

A Oh, really? What's he like?

B Well, he's \_\_\_\_\_ than Al, and ...

3 A We have a new teacher.

B Oh, really? What's she like?

A Well, I think she's the \_\_\_\_\_ teacher we've ever had ...

4 A Is that your new car?

B Well, it's second-hand, but it's new to me.

A What's it like?

B Well, it's \_\_\_\_\_ than my old car ...

Act out a conversation to the class. Whose is the longest?

**7.6.6** Listen and compare. Repeat the last lines.

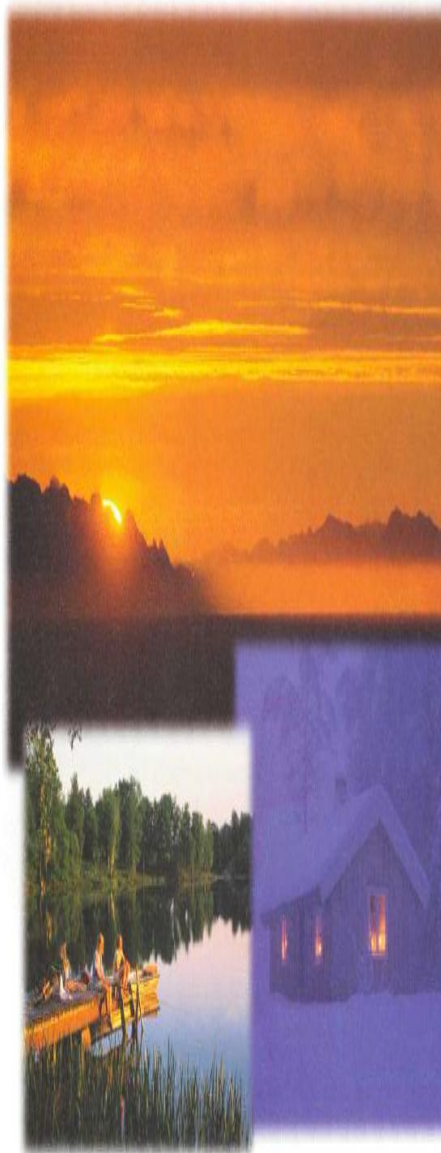
#### Check it

6 Correct these sentences.

1 He's more older than he looks.

2 Jessica's as tall than her mother.

3 "What does New York like?" "It's really



1 What do you know about Sweden? What is the country like? What are the people like? Discuss these statements about Sweden. Do you think

## READING AND SPEAKING

### A tale of two millionaires

- Who are the richest people in your country? Where does their money come from? How do they spend their money?
- Match the verbs and nouns. Many of them are to do with money.

Verbs	Nouns
buy	a bank account
spoil	poverty
wear	a thief
open	a will
live in	stocks and shares
inherit	a child
make	a leg
arrest	ragged clothes
invest	a lot of money from someone
amputate	a lot of money in something

- You are going to read about two millionaires. One was very mean, the other very generous. First read *quickly* about Milton Petrie. Can you remember any examples of his kindness?
- Now read *quickly* about Hetty Green. Can you remember any examples of her meanness?
- Read one text more carefully, then answer the questions with a partner who read the other text.
  - When were Milton and Hetty born?
  - What were their parents like?
  - How did Milton and Hetty become so wealthy?

## A tale of two millionaires

Some millionaires spend their money...

### Milton Petrie

#### The Most Generous Man in the World

Every morning, billionaire Milton Petrie walked from his New York apartment and bought a newspaper from the ragged old man on the street corner. One morning the man wasn't there. Petrie learned that he was very ill in the city hospital. Immediately he paid his hospital bill and, later, when the man died, paid for his funeral.



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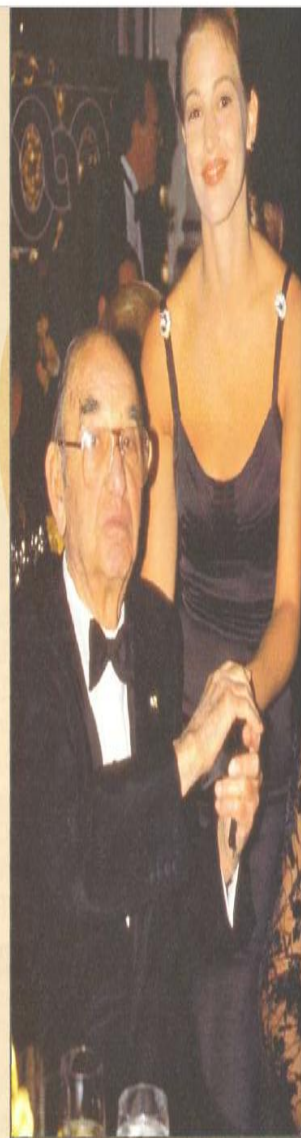
5 Read one text more carefully, then answer the questions with a partner who read the other text.

- 1 When were Milton and Hetty born?
- 2 What were their parents like?
- 3 How did Milton and Hetty become so wealthy?
- 4 Who wore ragged clothes?
- 5 What was the meanest thing Hetty did?
- 6 Why did Milton like making a lot of money?
- 7 Who did they marry?
- 8 When did they die? How old were they?
- 9 Who left the most money? Who did they leave it to?

### What do you think?

Discuss these questions in small groups.

- How were Milton and Hetty's childhoods different?
- How did their childhoods affect them later?
- Why was Milton especially generous to policemen?
- Why did Hetty's daughter build a hospital?
- What was the kindest thing Milton did?
- Who had the happier life? Milton or Hetty?



Milton with the model he helped

# f two millionaires

ires spend it and some save it. Elizabeth Wilson reports on one of each.



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The old man was just one of many people that Milton Petrie helped with his money. Whenever he read about personal disasters in his newspaper Petrie sent generous cheques, especially to the families of policemen or firemen injured at work. He also sent cheques to a mother who lost five children in a fire, and a beautiful model, whose face was cut in a knife attack. It cost him millions of dollars, but he still had millions left. He said that he

## Hetty Green

**The Richest, Meanest Woman in the World**

**H**enrietta (Hetty) Green was a very spoilt, only child. She was born in Massachusetts, USA, in 1835. Her father was a millionaire businessman. Her mother was often ill, and so from the age of two her father took her with him to work and taught her about stocks and shares. At the age of six she started reading the daily financial newspapers and she opened her own bank account.

Her father died when she was 21 and she inherited \$7.5 million. She went to New York and invested on Wall Street. Hetty saved every penny, eating in the cheapest restaurants for 15 cents. She became one of the richest and most hated women in the world. She was called 'The Witch of Wall Street'. At 33 she married Edward Green, a multi-millionaire, and had two children, Ned



## VOCABULARY AND PRONUNCIATION

### Synonyms

- 1 We often use synonyms in conversation because we don't want to repeat words.



Complete the conversations, using an adjective of similar meaning from the box.

fed up generous brilliant messy modern wealthy

- 1 'Mary's family is very rich.'  
'Well, I knew her uncle was very \_\_\_\_.'

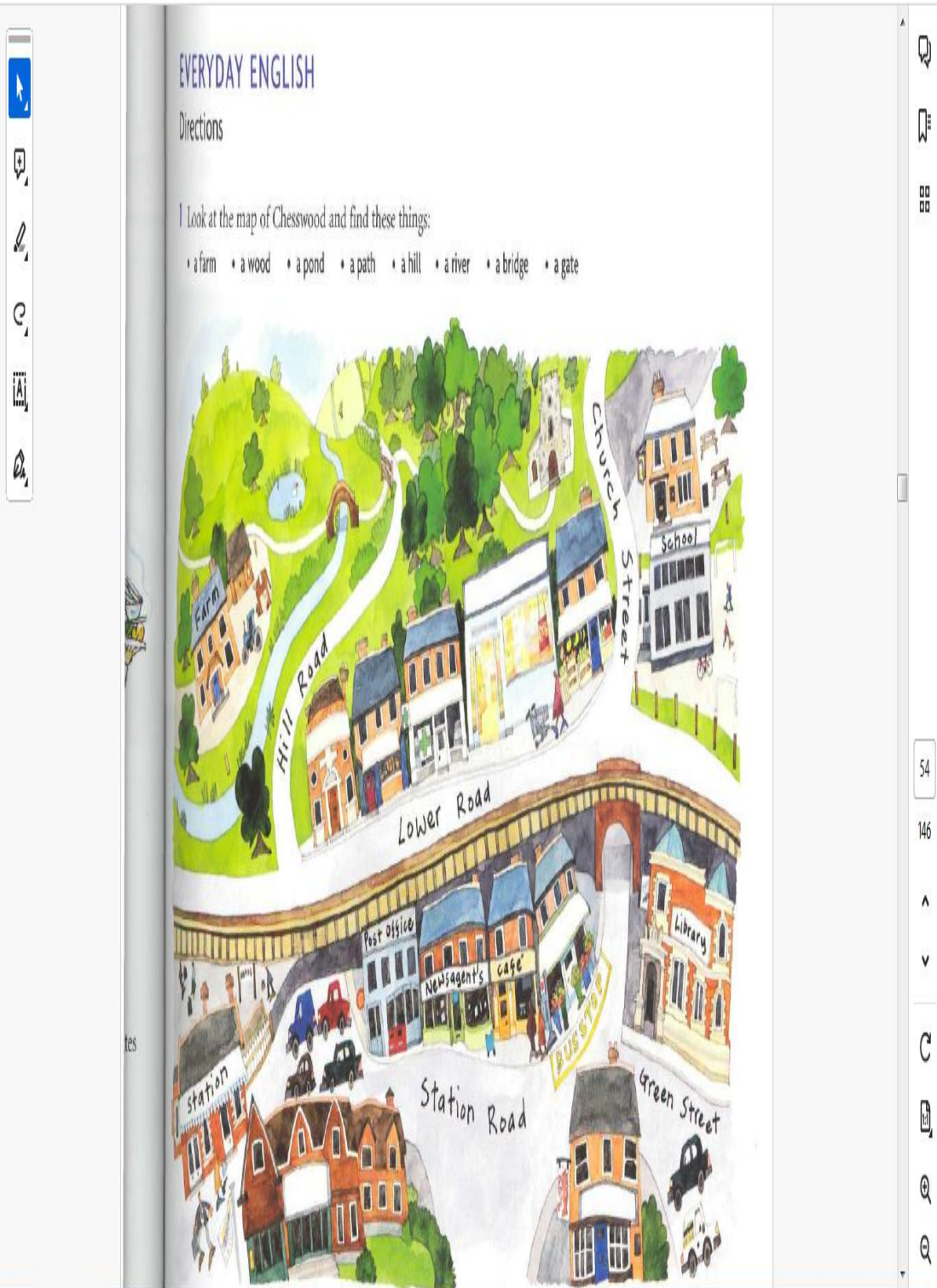
### Antonyms

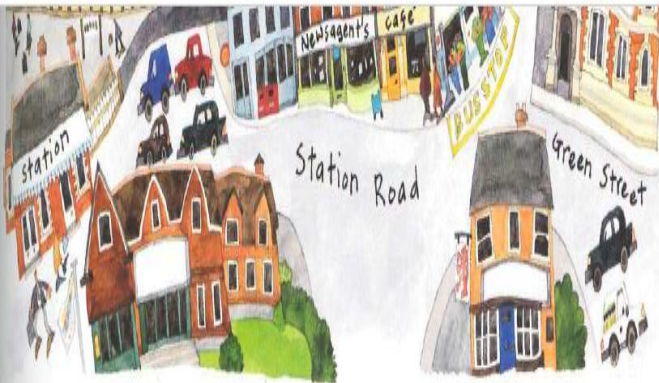
- 3 We can also use antonyms in conversation to avoid repeating words.



Match the following adjectives with their two opposites in exercise 1.

interested	bored	fed up
horrible		
mean		
old		
poor		





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2 Read these descriptions and add the places to the map.

- 1 The hotel is **opposite** the car park.
- 2 The bank is **on the corner of** Lower Road and Hill Road. It is **next to** the baker's.
- 3 The supermarket is **between** the chemist's and the greengrocer's.
- 4 There is a bus stop **in front of** the flower shop in Station Road.
- 5 There are two pubs. The Red Lion is in Station Road, **opposite** the flower shop **near** the railway bridge, and the Old Shepherd is in Church Street, **behind** the school.

3 Ask and answer questions about the places on the map. Use the prepositions from exercise 2.

Where's the library?

It's on the corner of Station Road and Green Street, opposite the flower shop.

4 Complete the directions from Chesswood farm to the church with the prepositions in the box. Look at the map to help you.

up down over past through out of (x2) in(to) across

You go \_\_\_\_\_ the path, \_\_\_\_\_ the pond, \_\_\_\_\_ the bridge, and \_\_\_\_\_ the gate. Then you go \_\_\_\_\_ the road and take the path \_\_\_\_\_ the wood. When you come \_\_\_\_\_ the wood you walk \_\_\_\_\_ the path and \_\_\_\_\_ the church. It takes five minutes.

**T 6.10** Listen and check.

5 Give your partner directions to get to your house from your school.

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