



Welcome to our Newsletter!

Contributions from all of you are very welcome. Please speak to your teacher or our Academic Manager David if you wish to take part in the next issue. It is a fantastic opportunity to show off your English skills and the experience may enhance your CV.

What did you use to be like?

by Cathy's pre-intermediate class



I didn't use to wear glasses. I used to be chubby and small. (Mohamed, UAE)

I used to be slim and have long hair. I used to be noisy and sad all the time. (Asamah, Oman)

I didn't use to sleep a lot. I used to have long hair and play basketball. (May, Kuwait)

I used to be very slim and wear sneakers. I didn't use to like my hair and I didn't use to wear dresses. (Ana, Brazil)

I used to have short, black hair and cry too much (Afit, Saudi Arabia)



I used to be afraid of horror movies, and I didn't use to like mushrooms or go to the cinema. (Mohamed, UAE)

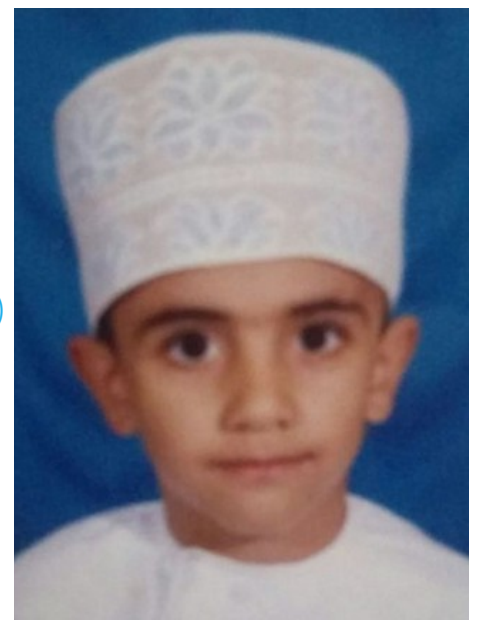
I used to have short, curly hair. I didn't use to wear glasses. (Mawadah, Oman)

I used to be fair and have a lot of hair. I didn't use to drink coffee or have a car. (David, France)

I didn't use to wear glasses or know how to swim. I used to be very small. (Esraa, Oman)

What did you use to be like?

Use these examples to help you!



Interview

Interview with your Student Support Officer, Laura.

Why did you choose to work in the EFL industry?

I was myself an international student in Japan and received a lot of support from the schools' staff I went to and I wanted to do the same and be able to encourage people to do this wonderful experience to study abroad.

What's the best thing about your job?

Talking to students and our lovely team! You always feel good after seeing their smiley faces or having been able to help them. Everyone working here is full of kindness, is professional and willing to help.

What were you like in school?

I was the serious student sitting at the front of class, annoyed by classmates not listening .

What do you like to do outside of work?

I love travelling and discovering new places, cooking, drawing, listening to music and going to karaoke!

Who is your role model and why?

My mother! We work in a totally different kind of job, but she is still my life model. The kindness in person and an excellent cook.



How would your best friend describe you?
Crazy, cry-baby (too sensitive) and devoted.

What would your autobiography be called?
Sassy Laura.

Describe your ideal Sunday morning.

Waking up late, going out with my favourite shoes on for brunch and tea. If it's sunny, I'd go to a park and lie on the grass. If not, shopping and then end up in a karaoke bar!

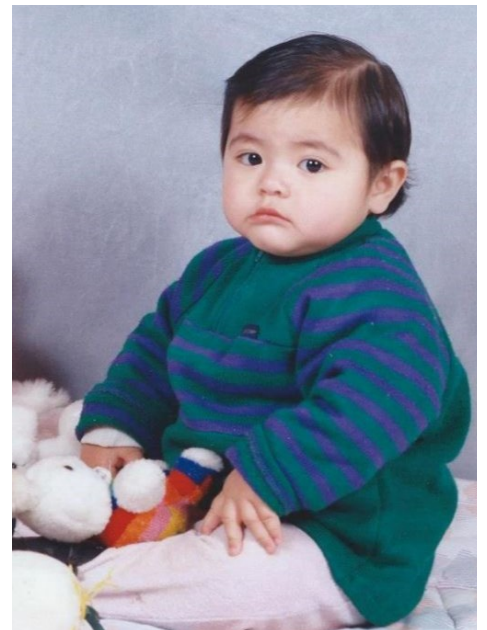
If you could describe Communicate in 3 words, what would they be?

Professional, friendly, amazing!

Guess who

This is what some of the Communicate School staff used to look like – who are they?

Try to describe how each person looked in the past using: used to/didn't use to + base verb (e.g. she used to wear glasses. She didn't use to have long hair.)



Social activities



Every week we have fantastic socials for you to learn more about Manchester, meet new people and practise your English.

Recent events include trips to Manchester Museum, football matches and traditional tea in a local cafe!

Take a look at the social activities calendar in the student area or on our website.



If you could turn back time...

Dear Hilarie,

Let me give you some advice for the future. In your future life I recommend you to make the right choices.

Don't listen to others, listen to yourself. Don't let anyone tell you what you need to do, even your parents. If you don't want to become a lawyer or a doctor, don't do it.

But always remember to study! Study a lot!

Trust in yourself. Be confident. And do the course that makes you happy.



Don't be afraid of doing or trying new things. Keep your heart – only let people who are really important enter your life. You don't need a lot of friends.

Don't be jealous of the life of others because maybe there is someone who wants the life you live. Give the best you have. Always do your best, even if you feel undervalued.

Work harder to become better every day.

Don't limit yourself with money; that's not the most important thing. If you want to do something just do it, no matter how much it costs. Don't procrastinate tomorrow is a new day for a new you.

Student of the Month

Student of the Month for October was Hilarie.

Her teacher Amy said *"Hilarie really is the perfect student – she always commits herself fully to a task, she works hard, respects everyone and brings a fantastic amount of personality and energy to class. It's a pleasure to teach her!"*

This is a great achievement Hilarie, well done! You should be extremely proud of yourself.



What's on in Manchester



Christmas Markets open (from 9th November to 22nd December)

Visit one of the UK's biggest and best Christmas markets and experience lots of international treats, including traditional food, drinks, gifts and clothing from different countries. Look out for the markets all over the city!



Manchester Christmas Lights

From Saturday 3rd November, the Christmas lights will be on across Manchester! Make the most of the dark evenings and see the beautiful displays all over the city. Visit Albert Square to see the main attraction... an enormous Santa sat on top of the Town Hall!

Useful Info



Do you know...



... who to call if you have an emergency and need to contact the school out of hours?	Call our emergency number +44(0)7482660030
... who the First Aiders are in school?	Federica and Virginia
... where the fire emergency assembly point is?	On the corner of Dale Street and Paton Street
... who to contact when you have a new phone number or new address?	Email your new details to office@communicateschool.co.uk
... who can help you if you need to see a doctor but don't speak good English?	Ask a Student Support Officer to go with you
... who to ask if you want more homework?	Speak to your teacher after class
... who can help you change your timetable?	Academic Manager David
... who you can speak to if you are not sure which exam to take?	Academic Manager David