

**Overview**

**Watch the video podcast. Do the speakers mention anything that you are looking forward to or not looking forward to?**

**1** Read the sentences below about what Pasha's looking forward to in the next few months. Then watch the video podcast from 0:12-0:28 and delete the incorrect word.



Hi. I'm really <sup>1</sup> excited / ~~thrilled~~ about the next few months. I'm <sup>2</sup> Djing / playing on the banks of the River Thames in the <sup>3</sup> centre / heart of London and I'm <sup>4</sup> going to / playing some beach parties. Today I've come to Covent Garden to <sup>5</sup> find out / see how people feel about their lives. What are you looking forward to in the <sup>6</sup> next few months / future?

**2** What are you looking forward to in the future? Look at the people below and read what they are looking forward to. Then watch the video podcast from 0:28-1:13 and match the people to the correct responses.



Chris



Tamara



Luke



Deborah



Dominick



Relwyn

- 1 Finding a job that I'm really passionate about
- 2 starting a new job next summer
- 3 getting a good job
- 4 a holiday next year
- 5 Nothing really, I kind of enjoy my life at the moment.
- 6 I'm looking forward to buying a house.

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**3** Is there anything you aren't looking forward to? Read the words below in the box, then watch the video podcast from 1:14-1:58. Tick (✓) the FIVE things which the speakers say they are NOT looking forward to.

dying    losing my job    job interviews    illness    leaving college  
 loneliness    more responsibilities    getting older    retiring    exams

**4** People say that your school days are the best days of your life. Do you think that's true? Look at the people and the sentences 1-7. Then watch the video podcast from 1:59-3:16 and write true (T) or false (F) next to each sentence.



Tamara

1 She thinks school days are the best days of your life. \_\_\_\_



Dominick

2 He hated school. \_\_\_\_\_



Deborah

3 She didn't enjoy school because she found it too stressful. \_\_\_\_\_



Chris

4 He has bad memories of his school days. \_\_\_\_\_



Relwyn

5 He liked school because he made some very good friends. \_\_\_\_\_



Chaenara

6 She met her best friends at school. \_\_\_\_\_



Luke

7 His school days were the best days of his life because he played a lot of football. \_\_\_\_\_

**The way we speak**

5 The people in the pictures below talk about the things they're not looking forward to and look back on their school days. Watch the video podcast from 1:18-2:45 and complete the phrases they use, using the items in the box below.

fall to bits	hell on earth	to the full
look back on it	very fondly	your oyster



Luke

1 I kind of embrace life \_\_\_\_\_. Look forward to most things.



Chris

2 ... but now when I \_\_\_\_\_ they were fun days and, you know, I look at them \_\_\_\_\_.



Dominick

3 Getting older. Your body starting to \_\_\_\_\_. Not looking forward to that but it'll happen.



Tamara

4 Absolutely I do yes, because you're, the world is \_\_\_\_\_. You have so much hope, so many dreams and you believe you can achieve anything.



Dominick

5 No. School days were \_\_\_\_\_ for me.

**Personalisation**

6 Write two short paragraphs about things you are looking forward to in the future and things you aren't looking forward to. Use some of the language from the podcast if you can.

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