

THEME 3 HARD TIMES SPEAKING SKILL (SPICE UP)

1. What does “hard times” mean to you?
2. Which situations can be considered as hard times in a person’s life?
3. Talk about a hard time you have passed through. Answer the following questions
 - a. What happened?
 - b. When and where did it happen?
 - c. How did you feel?
 - d. What happened in the end?
4. Talk about your past habits
5. Talk about your childhood memories.
6. Do you think our mood affects our physical health?
7. Do you think it’s helpful to get extra help in addition to medical/hospital care when we’re sick?
8. **Read the dialogue and choose the correct sentence.**

Rain: Hey, Olivia. What is that on your bed?

Olivia: A box full of memories. I found it in the basement. **(1) I used to store everything when I was a teenager./When I was little, I used to play with boxes.**

Rain: Sounds exciting! Let’s check what’s inside.

Olivia: Look! This is my diary.

Rain: I can’t believe it. **(2) Did you use to like taking photos?/Did you use to keep a diary?**

Olivia: Yes, I did. Oh, here is the photo album my father gave me for my birthday.

Rain: Look at these photos! **(3) You used to be a neat girl in skirts./You used to look like a naughty child.**

Olivia: Perhaps, that’s because **(4) my mum used to tell me to look neat/my mum used to make me wear dresses and skirts all the time,** and I didn’t have any jeans then.

Rain: That’s probably why you have so many pairs of jeans now!

Olivia: I don’t know, maybe.