Interesting lives

UNIT 1

Lesson A / Interviews

1 Meet Alex. . . .

Grammar **Claire is interviewing Alex, a successful photographer, for a news website. Circle the correct verb forms to complete the conversation.**

Claire When **did you start** / **were you starting** taking photos?

Alex Gosh, **I'm taking** / **I've been taking** photos since I was about six.

Claire Really? So, what kind of camera **did you use** / **have you used** back then?

Alex Well, when I was young, my uncle **showed** / **was showing** me how to use this old camera and how to develop the prints. I still use it!

Claire That's amazing. So, what projects **do you work** / **are you working** on currently?

Alex I just started this nature series. **I'm taking** / **I was taking** photos of trees. You know, trees that have interesting shapes.

Claire That's great. How many tree photos **have you taken** / **have you been taking** so far?

Alex A lot. Hundreds.

Claire Really? And how has your work changed? I mean, what kind of photography **were you doing** / **have you been doing** five years ago?

Alex Well, I **was working** / **'ve worked** on some color portraits for a competition. I **didn't win** / **wasn't winning**, but it was a good experience.

2 About you 1

Grammar **Write the questions using a correct verb form. Then write true answers.**

1. What / you take / photos of lately ? *What have you been taking photos of lately?*
   I've been taking photos of my friends and interesting buildings in my hometown.
2. How long / you / have / a camera ? _____
3. your parents / take / many photos of you when you were a child ? _____
4. you ever / be / to a photographer's studio ? _____
5. When / you last take a photo ? _____
6. What / social networking sites / you / post / your photos on currently ? _____