5 THE PHONE CALL

THINK ABOUT

- Work in groups and answer the questions.
 - 1 Megan is going to look after her mum while her dad is on a business trip. What things do you think she is going to do with her mum to look after her? What activities can Megan and her mum do to have fun?
 - 2 When did you look after someone in your family? Was it an adult or a child? Why did you need to look after them? What did you do with them?
- words.



Oh, poor I silly thing! Megan

I'll make sure she eats / rests. Dad

I'll do / look after things. Megan



She's doing OK / well, though. Megan

Lucky I Good for you. Luke

That's a shame I good idea. Ryan

THINK BACK

- Work with a partner. Answer the questions.
 - 1 How does Megan feel when she arrives at the hospital?
 - 2 Why does Megan's dad feel relieved?
 - 3 Why does Megan's dad say sorry to Megan?
 - 4 What can't Megan do because of her mum?

- Circle) the correct response in each situation.
 - How's your mum?
 - a Good for **b** She's 40. c She's doing OK. you.
 - 2 What will you do?
 - a If it rains, **b** If it rains, we c We watched we'll watch a watch TV. TV. film.
 - 3 I'm sorry.
 - **b** About what? I don't know. c She's doing OK.
 - She can't meet her friends.
 - That's a **b** We'll meet c Good for shame. later. you.

THINK THROUGH

ROLE PLAY A phone call

Work in pairs. Student A is Megan's dad and Student B is Megan. Write and act out the conversation. You can use the phrases to help you.

Say hello to Megan and ask how things are at home and what she did yesterday. Respond to what Megan tells you.

How's your mum? ..., That sounds good ..., Poor thing ..., Good for you ...

Ask Megan about what she's planning to do.

What are you going to do later / tomorrow?

Answer Megan's questions about your business trip. Say how you feel about it. Then end the phone call. It's OK ..., I miss you ..., I'll be home soon.

Answer the phone and say hello to your dad.

Answer your dad's questions.

We watched ..., I'm making some dinner ... looking after Mum ...,

She's doing OK ..., bored / happy / relaxed ... Mum and I are going to ..., If it's sunny, we'll ..., If she's tired, I'll ...

Ask your dad how his business trip is going. Then finish the conversation.

How's it going? How are you?