



## GUÍA N°2 CULTURE

<b>NIVEL</b>	3° MEDIOS D-E-F
<b>OBJETIVO DE APRENDIZAJE</b>	Desarrollar comprensión lectora
<b>CONTENIDO</b>	Elementary structures
<b>HABILIDADES</b>	Reading Comprehension

Leer texto, si necesitan traducirlo para entenderlo mejor, háganlo, pero no es requisito.  
 2a ¿Cómo tratan a sus adultos mayores en Papua Nueva Guinea, Japón y en el reino Unido?  
 Responda en inglés de acuerdo al texto.  
 2b Responda True ó False de acuerdo al texto- 2c Identifique quién dice las afirmaciones  
 Rowen, Yuki o Penny

### The third age

1 Talk about the statistics with your partner. Is there anything you find surprising?

# GETTING OLDER IN NUMBERS

- Today nearly one in ten people worldwide is over 60 years old.
- By 2050 one in five people in the world will be over 60.
- There will be more people over 60 than children aged 0–14 by 2050.



2a Read the texts about the elderly around the world. How do people in Papua New Guinea, Japan and the UK treat their older people?

With living standards getting better, people are living longer and soon there will be more old people on the planet than ever before. So how do societies across the world treat their elderly? Tell us your experiences!

**ROWENG, (13) PAPUA NEW GUINEA** Posted 21<sup>st</sup> October 19:10 ◀ Reply ♥ Like

My grandfather is the oldest and most important person in our village. He doesn't know anything about the modern world – he can't use a computer or drive a car, and I know he can hardly read and write – but he's very wise and intelligent. He lives in our family home and my mum takes care of him, which is the tradition here. In my society, we treat our elderly with a lot of respect because they have the knowledge and experience of so many years of living. We call them *lapun*, which means 'old man' in a highly regarded way. Generally, we consider people over the age of 50 to be senior citizens in Papua New Guinea, and the younger people really look up to the older ones. In our village, when people have a problem they come to my grandfather for advice.



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**YUKI, (12) JAPAN** Posted 21<sup>st</sup> October 19:21 ◀ Reply ♥ Like

Three quarters of elderly people live with their families in Japan. My grandmother Sayuri lives with us. In my country, we see the older generation as a link to the past. They've lived through many experiences and we youngsters can learn from them. When we address senior citizens, we use *san* at the end of their name as a sign of deep respect. To show our esteem for our older population, we also have a special celebration called Respect for the Aged Day. Birthdays are important occasions in Japan too, and a person's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday is very special. We have a big party called *kanreki* because we believe it's the time when the third age begins.

**PENNY, (14) UK** Posted 21<sup>st</sup> October 20:03 ◀ Reply ♥ Like

Generally, I think people in the UK respect older people. But life is very busy here and perhaps we don't always have a lot of time for the elderly. There are about 11 million people over the age of 65 in this country and an average of 3.5 million older people live alone. It isn't really the tradition for our grandparents to live with us when they grow old, and my grandfather lives in a residential home. It's quite common here for the elderly to move to a place which can help them when they start finding it difficult to cope on their own. We visit my grandfather often, and he's enjoying his twilight years reading, playing cards with his friends and doing some gardening. But I also think that in the UK a lot of older people feel they no longer have a role to play in society.







**2b Read the texts again and decide if the sentences are True (T) or False (F).**

- 1 People in Papua New Guinea don't think a lot of their older generation. T/F
- 2 The elderly in Papua New Guinea know a lot about life. T/F
- 3 Roweng's grandfather helps people with difficulties. T/F
- 4 65% of the older population of Japan live with their families. T/F
- 5 Sayuri-san is a polite way for Yuki to address her grandmother. T/F
- 6 *Kanreki* is the Japanese word for Respect for the Aged Day. T/F
- 7 More than half of senior citizens in the UK live alone. T/F
- 8 Penny thinks the older generation in the UK sometimes feel unimportant. T/F

**2c Read the statements. Which of the young people might say these things? Write *Roweng, Yuki or Penny*. Sometimes there may be more than one answer.**

- 1 The elderly are really important to the people of my country.  
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- 2 Senior citizens aren't very well-respected.  
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- 3 My grandfather knows a lot about our history.

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