

We're in my uncle's kitchen eating birthday cake for my great-gran Mavis who's a hundred and eight It's a family reunion, everyone's here and the same things happen year after year Pad isn't talking to my aunt Sue He says she's bossy and she tells him what to do Grandma's ignoring my cousin Rose Cos she's got a tattoo and a piercing in her nose The twins from Australia are arguing again They're both madly in love with my big sister Gwen My baby sister's eaten too much cake She'd better stop before she's sick ... oh dear, too late!



Family reunion Everyone's here The same boring stories Year after year 'Let's watch this home movie of your dad in flares!' 'No thanks, grandma I really don't care.' 'Have you heard the story of how I met Uncle Len?' 'Yes, a hundred times, thanks Please don't tell me again.' We're in my grandma's sitting room, eating fish and chips for my uncle's birthday – he's forty-six It's a family reunion, everyone's here and the same things happen year after year Bob my brother is telling a rude joke My mum is looking shocked and is choking on her coke My great-aunt Matilda has brought her poodle, Shelley It barks all the time and it's really really smelly Grandad's lost his glasses down the back of the settee We've got to find them quickly 'cos he wants to watch TV Uncle Fred is dancing to a Beatles' track Now he's fallen over on top of cousin Jack



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Family Reunion

1 • 15• Listen to the rap and match the people to the descriptions.

Who:

- 1 has a hole in her nose?
- 2 has eaten too much sweet food?
- **3** is dancing?
- 4 is very, very old?
- 5 has a very smelly dog?
- 6 can't find his glasses?

- a Great-aunt Matilda
- **b** Uncle Fred
- **c** Grandad
- **d** Rose
- e Great-gran Mavis

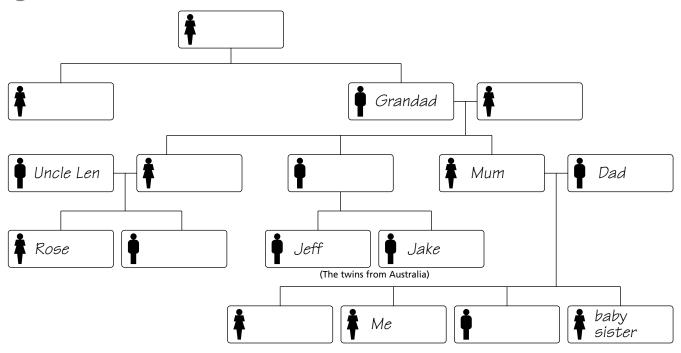
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f My baby sister

2) Find words in the rap that match these definitions:

- 1 very surprised and horrified
- 2 a kind of dog with curly fur
- **3** a pattern drawn on the skin in permanent ink
- 4 likes telling other people what to do
- 5 sofa
- 6 brothers or sisters who are born on the same day

3 Look at this family tree. Can you complete it with names from the rap?



4 Now draw your own family tree. You can use your real family, or you can make up a family. You must include:

brothers/sisters • uncles/aunts • great aunts/uncles • cousins • grandparents • great grandparents