



All the words for this activity come from the podcast Milestones

1 Milestones are used along the sides of some roads to show distance.

- a What are these called in your country?
- b Do you use the same word to refer to special events too?



2 Read the sentences and then choose a phrase from the box below to fill the gaps.

- a Well, as you know I _____ on a small island.
- b So it was a _____ for your family as well then.
- c I think because I _____ myself and it was very expensive.
- d Having passed it I felt really, really independent. And a great _____.
- e I used to love reading about _____ all over the world.
- f This was my chance to actually go out there and be _____.
- g I remember using a computer at work, it was more just like a _____.
- h Email was such a fantastic new thing at the time and it was a really fantastic way of _____.
- i So _____, what about you, the listener?

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- a Well, as you know I *grew up* on a small island.
 - b So it was a *big thing* for your family as well then.
 - c I think because I *paid for it all* myself and it was very expensive.
 - d Having passed it I felt really, really independent. And a great *sense of achievement*.
 - e I used to love reading about *different civilizations* all over the world.
 - f This was my chance to actually go out there and be *my own explorer*
 - g I remember using a computer at work, it was more just like a **glorified typewriter*.
 - h Email was such a fantastic new thing at the time and it was a really fantastic way of *keeping in touch*.
 - i So *nevermind us*, what about you, the listener?

**glorified* here is used to show that the computer is not so impressive really:

“Why do people think being an air-hostess is glamorous? It’s just a glorified waitress afterall.”