**EXERCISE**

**Using Time phrases**

**(in the past, present, and future tenses)**

**Fill the gaps in each dialogue with a time phrase from the boxes below**

1. **Sushi**

When did you …….. eat sushi ?

*I ate sushi for the ……..* *……... I’d …….. eaten it …….. !*

*I usually just eat normal, traditional food at home – ……... , I had some chicken and vegetable stew with my partner.*

*……... I left home about ……... , we used to have traditional food. My Mum taught me to cook like her, and it’s ……... my favourite food.*

*……... , my Mum had to go into hospital and my Dad cooked for the family. He used to cook some crazy things to cheer us up ! Apple crumble with chocolate custard !*

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| in 2014 | yesterday | five years ago |
| still | first time | last week |
| never | until | last |
| before |  |  |

1. **Cooking**

You’re learning French cooking at the moment ?

*Yes, I go to classes at my local college. I’m learning traditional French cooking. I’m going …….. , …….. work.*

*…….. - with two young children too – I’m tired ! But …….. I get there, I really enjoy it and it’s a break from the routine.*

*…….. - I’m making a “Tarte tatin”. I’m not used to making pastry so I find that the most difficult thing – but I’m getting better at it !*

*The children like to see what I bring home …….. the class.*

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| after | these days | at the end of |
| at the moment | when | this Thursday |

1. **Restaurant**

Would you like to do more with your cooking skills ?

*I’ve always enjoyed cooking and learning new recipes, and* *…….. with the classes I’m better at preparation and using new techniques.*

*…….. , maybe I should work in a restaurant - a French restaurant ! That would be the dream !*

*…….. , Rosie will be 11 years old and starting secondary school and Stella is already settled there. So who knows ?*

*Anyway, the tart should be ready …….. . So I’d better go !*

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| next year | in a couple of minutes | in the future |
| now |  |  |

Answers

1. **Sushi**

last; first time; last week; never; before; yesterday; until*;* five years ago; still; in 2014

1. **Cooking**

this Thursday; after; these days; when; at the moment; at the end of

1. **Restaurant**

now; in the future; next year; in a couple of minutes