

10 Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation

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American
ENGLISH FILE 1

GRAMMAR

- 1 Complete the sentences with the superlative form of the adjective in parentheses.

Example: I think Paris is the most beautiful (beautiful) city in the world.

- They stayed in the _____ (cheap) hotel in the town.
- I bought the _____ (expensive) sofa in the shop.
- John's the _____ (bad) dancer I know.
- What's the _____ (hot) part of your country?
- He's the _____ (good) soccer player on the team.
- My sister's the _____ (funny) person in my family.
- Winter's the _____ (dangerous) time of the year for drivers.

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- 2 Complete the sentences. Use the correct form of *going to* and a verb from the box.

pass rain be buy not drive have not drop

Example: Hurry up! We 're going to be late for class.

- We _____ to work today because we can't start the car.
- "What _____ we _____ for lunch?" "I don't know. It's your turn to cook!"
- "_____ Rachel _____ her exams?" "Of course, she's a good student."
- It's very cloudy. I think it _____ soon.
- "Be careful with that bottle!" "It's OK. I _____ it."
- "This laptop is old." "When _____ you _____ a new one?"

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- 3 Complete the email. Use the correct form of *going to* and the words in parentheses.

Hi Ian

How's college? It's my birthday next Friday and I 'm going to have a party. It ¹ _____ (be) great. I want to have some great music, so I ² _____ (find) a good DJ. My parents ³ _____ (give) me some money to buy the food and drinks. My brother ⁴ _____ (not be) there because he ⁵ _____ (fly) to the UK with his girlfriend next week. They ⁶ _____ (travel) across the country by train. It's their dream vacation! ⁷ _____ (you / come) back to New York on Friday? I hope so because I really want you to come to the party!

Ben

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VOCABULARY

- 4 Complete the sentences with a verb from the box.

go have see show ~~stay~~ stay

Example: Did you stay in a hotel?

- Did you _____ Teresa around the city?
- Did she _____ for a week?
- Did they _____ a good time?
- Did he _____ to Berlin by train?
- Did they _____ all the sights?

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- 5 Complete the phrase with a verb from the box.

be become fall ~~get~~ have get meet move

Example: get a lot of money

- _____ in love with someone
- _____ a big surprise
- _____ to a new house
- _____ married
- _____ somebody new
- _____ famous
- _____ lucky

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6 Complete the places.

Example: You can see old things in a **museum**.

- 1 You drive your car on a **r**_____.
- 2 You can use the **b**_____ to go over the river.
- 3 You can buy clothes in a **d**_____ **s**_____.
- 4 You can see actors in a **t**_____.
- 5 You can buy cheap fruit and vegetables at the **m**_____.
- 6 You can have a meal in that Indian **r**_____.
- 7 You can get a train from a **t**_____ **s**_____.
- 8 You send a letter from a **p**_____ **o**_____.

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Vocabulary total 20

PRONUNCIATION

7 Underline the stressed syllable.

Example: gallery

- 1 station
- 2 department
- 3 supermarket
- 4 castle
- 5 souvenir

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8 Find the word with a different sound.

Example: tea peas steak meat

- 1 good cook food look
- 2 moon spoon choose book
- 3 swim surf cake cereal
- 4 see sugar fish mushroom
- 5 China character cheese chocolate

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Pronunciation total 10

Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation total 50

10 Reading and Writing **B**

READING

- 1 Read the magazine article and check (✓) A, B, or C.

Australia – a great place to be

When people think of Australia, they often picture beautiful beaches, lovely weather, and lots of dangerous animals – such as salt water crocodiles and taipan snakes! It's true that we have these things, but Australia is more interesting than you might think.

Australia is in the South Pacific and it's the world's biggest island. We don't have any borders with other countries and our closest neighbors are Papua New Guinea and East Timor. Australia is the sixth largest country in the world. It's thirty times bigger than the United Kingdom, but nearly three times more people live in the UK. In the center of the country there is a lot of desert. Most Australians live near the coast, where the country's biggest cities are.

There are plenty of exciting cities to visit here, including Canberra, our capital, and Sydney, which is famous for its Opera House and amazing harbour. However, it is Melbourne which is near the top of the list of the "most exciting cities of the world." It has wonderful beaches, a great nightlife, fantastic shopping, and lots of arts festivals and exhibitions.

Australia is a fascinating place to visit. We're very proud of our country and we usually welcome tourists. Our way of life isn't very formal, but we often take presents when we visit people. If someone invites you to dinner, it's a good idea to take along flowers or wine for your host.

The good weather means we can do lots of outdoor activities. Summer lasts from December to February, and winter from June to August. However, Australia is enormous and the weather isn't the same everywhere. The north has two types of weather – very wet and very dry! The center stays dry all year round. But in the south, the weather changes from season to season. Summer in the south is hot, but winter can be cold, wet, and windy – you can even go skiing in the mountains!

Come and visit.

Example: Australia is the largest island in the world.

A True ☒ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

- 1 Australia doesn't have a border with East Timor.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 2 It's one of the five biggest countries in the world.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 3 There is a lot of desert in the center of the country.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 4 There aren't any cities in the middle of Australia.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 5 Most Australians live in cities.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 6 Sydney is the capital city.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 7 Australia is an interesting place for overseas visitors.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 8 Australians are usually friendly to tourists.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 9 Winter sports are very popular.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 10 The weather in the north and south of the country is the same.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

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- 2 Read the text again and answer the questions.

- 1 What sort of dangerous animals live in Australia?

- 2 Where is Australia?

- 3 Name two things that visitors enjoy in Melbourne.

- 4 When do Australians give presents?

- 5 When is winter in Australia?

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Reading total ☐ 15

10 Reading and Writing**B****WRITING**

Read the hotel information.

Castlemount Hotel

Beautiful hotel in the countryside
50 double rooms, some with views of Leeds Castle
Lots of outdoor activities!

Write an email to the hotel. (75–100 words) You want:

- a double room with a view
- to arrive on August 10th and leave on August 17th (7 nights)
- information about activities
- confirmation of your reservation

Writing total		10
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Reading and Writing total		25
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10 Listening and Speaking **B**

LISTENING

1 Listen to two people talking about their vacation. Check (✓) A, B, or C.

- 1 June and Thomas are visiting their _____.
A daughter ☐ B son ☐ C friends ☐
- 2 They stayed _____ on their last vacation.
A in the countryside ☐
B near the sea ☐ C in the mountains ☐
- 3 June thought Cape May was _____.
A interesting and cheap ☐
B sunny but expensive ☐
C boring and cheap ☐
- 4 On her next vacation, June wants to _____.
A have a city break ☐
B go on a cycling vacation ☐
C go to the beach ☐
- 5 Thomas likes _____.
A exciting places ☐ B quiet places ☐
C places where you can go sightseeing ☐

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2 Listen to five conversations and choose the correct prediction. Check (✓) A or B.

- 1 A United is going to lose the game. ☐
B Galaxy is going to lose the game. ☐
- 2 A There's going to be more snow. ☐
B It's going to be warmer. ☐
- 3 A Rosie is going to move to a new house. ☐
B Rosie is going to paint a room in her house. ☐
- 4 A Sara thinks Dom and Jake aren't going to do well in the music competition. ☐
B Sara thinks Dom and Jake are going to win the music competition. ☐
- 5 A Jim is going to get the job. ☐
B Terry is going to get the job. ☐

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Listening total	10
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SPEAKING

1 Ask your partner these questions.

- 1 How often do you travel to other countries?
- 2 What do you like doing on vacation?
- 3 Do you prefer to go on vacation with other people or alone? Why?
- 4 Did you enjoy your last vacation? Why? Why not?
- 5 Which country or countries are you planning to visit in the future? Why?

Now answer your partner's questions.

2 Your partner has information about Henry's vacation plans. Make questions and ask your partner.

- Where / go?
- How long / stay?
- How / travel?
- Who / travel with?
- Where / stay?
- What / do?

3 Read the information about Harriet's vacation plans and answer your partner's questions.

Harriet Parsons (age 19)

going to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, for four days
going by plane
traveling with two best friends
staying in cheap hotel near beach
planning to sunbathe, go swimming in sea, visit lots of different nightclubs, try some Brazilian food

Speaking total	15
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Listening and Speaking total	25
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