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VOCABULARY AND READING

Travel

1 ★ Match the words with the definitions.

accommodation backpacking
holiday resort sightseeing
tourist attractions ~~trip~~

- a journey where you visit a place for a short time and then come back again trip
- visiting places that are interesting because they are historical, famous, etc. sightseeing
- travelling or walking, carrying your things in a bag on your back backpacking
- monuments or places that people on holiday like to visit tourist attractions
- a town or place where people go on holiday, very often next to the sea holiday resort
- a place where you live or stay accommodation

2 ★ Remember the *Learn to learn* tip in the Student's Book. Complete the sentences with information that is true for you.

- My country is a famous tourist attraction in my country.
- For our accommodation on our last holiday, we stayed in Spain.
- Spain is a popular holiday resort in Spain.
- The last trip I went on was to Greece.
- In my opinion, going backpacking is a great way to spend your holiday.
- I would like to go sightseeing in Athens.

Music and theatre

3 ★★ Complete the text. The first letter of each word is given.

I was quite surprised when Ms Bayliss gave me the biggest ¹part in the school musical. It wasn't easy to learn all my ²lines but, after several ³rehearsals, I knew them perfectly. I was nervous on the day of the ⁴show because all my family were in the ⁵audience. But everything went well and, after the final ⁶song, everyone stood up and applauded!

An interview

4 ★ Read the interview. What did Jed do on holiday? Choose the correct photo.



- MIA So, where did you go on holiday, Jed?
JED Greece – it was a fantastic trip!
MIA Did you stay at a holiday resort?
JED No, it was a hotel. We did a lot of sightseeing. We went to some famous tourist attractions, like the Acropolis in Athens. It was amazing!
MIA So, what was the best part of your trip?
JED Oh, that was when we saw a Greek tragedy in the amphitheatre of Epidaurus – it's almost two and a half thousand years old! It's an amazing place and it's surrounded by trees and hills.
MIA But wasn't the play in Greek?
JED Yes, it was, and most of the audience was Greek, but there were subtitles.

5 ★★ Read the interview again and answer the questions.

- Where did Josh stay?

- What did Josh think of the Acropolis?

- What did Josh do in Epidaurus?

- Why could Josh understand the play?

GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY

Present and past simple and continuous

Ways of communicating



1 ★★ Write the sentences in the past.

- 1 Dan is reading the paper.
Dan was reading the paper.
- 2 They aren't listening to music.

- 3 Am I making a lot of noise?

- 4 Beth usually plays football on Saturday.

- 5 They don't live in a flat.

- 6 Does Michael eat meat?



2 ★★ Complete the conversation with the verbs in the box in the correct tense.

be do enjoy have help know paint visit

- A How ¹ was your trip to Paris?
- B Great, thanks! I ² enjoyed it a lot!
- A What ³ did you see there?
- B We ⁴ visited lots of tourist attractions!
- A You're so lucky! While you ⁵ were having a great time in Paris, I ⁶ helped my dad to paint the house!
- B Yes, I ⁷ finished! ⁸ Are you still painting it now? Or have you finished?



3 ★★ Answer the questions with true information.

- 1 What did you do last weekend?

- 2 What were you doing at 9 o'clock last night?

- 3 What does your dad do?

- 4 What's your mum probably doing at the moment?



4 ★ Circle nine more communication verbs in the word snake.

post shout whisper describe smile translate shake hands greet wave



5 ★★ Complete the table with the verbs from Exercise 4. Some verbs go in both columns.

You can use your hands to do this	You can use your mouth to do this
<u>post</u>	5 _____
1 _____	6 _____
2 _____	7 _____
3 _____	8 _____
4 _____	9 _____
	10 _____



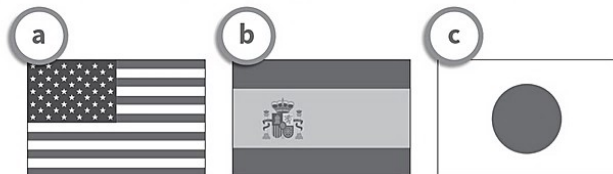
6 ★★ Complete the sentences with the verbs from Exercise 4.

- 1 Do you know anyone who can translate from English into Chinese?
- 2 Could you help this letter for me?
- 3 Please don't shout! I'm not deaf!
- 4 How would you describe your personality?
- 5 When you smile, you feel happier.
- 6 If you don't know the answer when the teacher asks you, I'll whisper it to you very quietly.
- 7 When film stars arrive at the Oscars, they often shake hands to the crowd.
- 8 When I have my interview tomorrow, how should I greet the person who is interviewing me? Should I wave with them?

LISTENING AND GRAMMAR

A conversation

1 ★★ Match the flags (a-c) to the countries (1-3).



1 Spain ____ 2 Japan ____ 3 the USA ____

2 ★★ Listen to the conversation. Which of the countries in Exercise 1 does the girl's dad sometimes go to?

3 ★★ Listen again. Put the pictures (a-f) in the order that they are mentioned.



4 ★★★ Answer the questions.

- Which country would you like to visit? Why?

- Would you like to travel a lot for your job? Why?

- Do you think people smile a lot in your country? Give a reason for your answer.

Present perfect and past simple

5 ★ Complete the sentences with the words in the box. There are two extra words.

at ever for from have never 's since

- ____ Have ____ you finished the book?
- We've been here ____ four o'clock.
- Have you ____ been to the Canary Islands?
- John's studied French ____ three years.
- I've ____ seen snow before.
- Beth ____ sent me a message.

6 ★★ Circle the correct options.

- Last year I went / 've been to London.
- Did you ever climb / Have you ever climbed a mountain?
- My sister liked / 's liked chocolate since she was a baby.
- I didn't do / haven't done my homework. I'm going to start now!
- I phoned / 've phoned you just a minute ago!
- We were / 've been at the shops for three hours now!

7 ★★ Complete the text with the past simple or present perfect form of the verb in brackets.

TO: Aidan

FROM: Katie

Hi Aidan,

I ¹ 've been (be) in Rome for almost a week now.
I ² ____ (arrive) last Friday. My Italian
³ ____ (not get) much better, which isn't very surprising, really. I need more time. I ⁴ ____
(do) lots of sightseeing! Yesterday I ⁵ ____
(go) to the Vatican. The museum is incredible!
I ⁶ ____ (eat) some very good food because
the lady I'm staying with is a very good cook.
Last night she ⁷ ____ (make) cannelloni al ragu. Tomorrow, I start at the language school.
I ⁸ ____ (not feel) so happy or excited for a long time!

Katie

WRITING

An informal email

- 1 ★ Read Jack's email to his friend, Ethan. Which two of the activities in the pictures (a-c) did he do?



TO: Ethan@postit.co.uk

FROM: Jack@comunica.com

SUBJECT: News!

¹Hi Ethan,

A ²How are things? Are you enjoying life in Spain?

³I just wanted to get in contact because I haven't sent you an email for a long time. Sorry about that!

B I've been quite busy recently. I'm in the school play, and we've had lots of rehearsals after school. I've got a big part, so it hasn't been easy to learn all my lines! But I think I've finally managed to do it. I hope so, because the play's next week! Have you ever done any acting? Perhaps you can give me some advice!

C Last Saturday was my dad's 50th birthday, so he took us all out for a meal in a lovely restaurant in the country. All his brothers and sisters came, and everyone gave him a present. I gave him a Manchester United football scarf because he's a big fan. I think he liked it!

D So, that's my news. When are you coming back for Christmas?

⁴Bye for now!

⁵Take care,

Jack

- 2 ★★ Read the email again. Match the paragraphs (A-D) to the information (1-4).

- 1 Say goodbye ____
- 2 Things Jack has done recently ____
- 3 Things Jack did at a particular time ____
- 4 Say hello and why you're writing ____



- 3 ★★ Look at paragraphs B and C again. What tenses does Jack use to describe his actions? Why?

- 4 ★★ Match the underlined expressions in the email (1-5) with the expressions (a-e).

- | | | | |
|------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| a Love, | ☐ | d See you soon! | ☐ |
| b I'm writing to | ☐ | e How are you? | ☐ |
| c Hello | ☐ | | |

TASK

Write an email to a friend in England telling him / her what you've done recently.

PLAN

- 5 ★★ Make two lists.

- 1 Things that I've done when the exact time is not important, or which are not finished (present perfect)
I've played a lot of video games. _____
- 2 Things that I did at a particular time (past simple)
I played a great new video game _____
last Tuesday. _____

WRITE

- 6 ★★★ Write your email. Use this paragraph plan:

Paragraph 1 Say hello and why you're writing

Paragraph 2 Things that you've done when the exact time is not important, or which are not finished

Paragraph 3 Things that you did at a particular time

Paragraph 4 Say goodbye

CHECKLIST Remember to include:

- ideas from Exercise 5, and are the verbs in the correct tense
- the useful expressions from Exercise 4 (one of each).

CHECK

- 7 Read your work again. Have you included all the items in the CHECKLIST?

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TRENDSETTERS

VOCABULARY

Describing clothes and shoes

1 ★ (Circle) the correct adjectives to describe the clothes.

1



a cotton /
(denim) skirt

2



a tight /
baggy jumper

3



a plain /
checked shirt

4



flat /
high-heeled shoes

5



a striped /
flowery T-shirt

6



a long-sleeved /
spotted dress

2 ★★ Complete the conversations with the words in the box. There are two extra words.

cotton checked denim flat flowery
high-heeled long-sleeved tight

- 1 A Are those shorts OK?
B No, I need a bigger size. They're very tight!
- 2 A Do you want a plain or a checked T-shirt?
B No, I want something really different! That _____ one is nice!
- 3 A What do you usually wear in the summer?
B Cool clothes made of _____!
- 4 A Do you like my new black and white _____ shirt?
B Not really! It looks like a chess board!
- 5 A Are you going to pack some jeans for your trip to Córdoba?
B Are you joking? It's 40°C there are the moment! I don't want to wear anything made of _____!
- 6 A How often do you wear _____ shoes?
B Not often. Only when I go to a party or formal dinner.

3 ★ Remember the *Learn to learn* tip in the Student's Book. (Circle) the odd word out. Use the categories in brackets to help you.

- 1 baggy (flat) tight (size)
- 2 checked striped cotton (pattern)
- 3 denim flowery cotton (material)
- 4 high-heeled spotted flat (shape)
- 5 long-sleeved plain checked (pattern)

4 ★★ Write the words in the correct order.

- 1 a / checked / red and green / shirt
a red and green checked shirt
- 2 a / skirt / denim / plain

- 3 trousers / cotton / tight / white

- 4 jacket / denim / red / baggy / a

- 5 striped / brown and blue / T-shirt / a / tight / cotton

- 6 brown and white / shoes / leather / spotted / flat

5 ★★★ Write four sentences about clothes that you like / don't like to wear. Use the adjectives in Exercise 1.

Explore it!

Guess the correct answer. In what decade did miniskirts become popular?

a the 1950s b the 1960s c the 1970s

Find out about popular fashion in a past decade. Then send a question in an email to a classmate or ask it in the next class.

READING

A blog post

- 1 ★ Look at the text quickly and **circle** the correct answers.

- 1 The text is a *newspaper article* / *blog post*.
- 2 It's about *how often to wash jeans* / *what jeans to buy*.

- 2 ★★ Read the blog post. Check the meaning of the words in the box in a dictionary. Then, complete the sentences.

brand claim harm ~~reckon~~ research turn out

- 1 I reckon that you paid too much for that belt.
- 2 Don't wash that shirt in very hot water. It will definitely _____ the material!
- 3 I'm going to do some _____ before I buy a new phone.
- 4 I like these jeans, but I don't know this _____. Is it good?
- 5 Some people _____ that shopping online is 100% safe, but I'm not so sure.
- 6 I'm making a dress, but I have a feeling that it's not going to _____ well.



- 3 ★★ Are the sentences *T* (true) or *F* (false)?
Correct the false sentences.

- 1 In the writer's opinion, the question of how often to wash jeans is very important.
F It's not the most important topic in the world.
- 2 The writer agrees with her friend about how often to wash jeans.

- 3 In the writer's opinion, an important person in the clothes industry has a strange idea.

- 4 Freezing jeans is a good way to clean them.

- 5 It's best not to wash your jeans too often.

- 6 The experts make a good recommendation.

- 4 ★★★ Do you think the information in the blog post is useful and interesting? Why?

LONDON CALLING!

BLOG

| SHOP

| ABOUT ME

| CONTACT ME

TO WASH OR NOT TO WASH JEANS? THAT IS THE QUESTION!

I haven't written a post recently because I've been doing exams all week! Have you missed me? Today I want to talk about a very important subject: how often to wash denim jeans! OK, maybe it's not the most important topic in the world, but people have very different ideas about it. One of my friends even reckons that you should never wash jeans because it harms them. I don't know about that! Imagine wearing a pair of tight jeans that you haven't washed for over a year! So, anyway, I decided to do some research online about how often you should actually wash jeans. One thing I read really surprised me: the head of a company that makes a very well-known brand of jeans says that he hardly ever washes his. He just puts them in the freezer. He claims that

this keeps them clean! Speaking personally, I wouldn't want to put my jeans next to a packet of frozen peas! And it turns out that the 'freezer theory' isn't correct. After you wear your jeans just once, they're covered in bacteria, skin cells and the natural oils from your body. And freezing them won't eliminate these things. According to the experts, there is one good reason for not washing your jeans very often: they get a little baggier every time you wash them. And most of us don't want to wear baggy jeans! Experts actually say there's no specific recommended frequency for washing jeans – but you should definitely wash them when they start to smell! That sounds like good advice to me!



Present perfect simple and present perfect continuous



- | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 I've done | ☒ |
| 2 Jack's been playing football | ☐ |
| 3 Have they had | ☐ |
| 4 You've been wearing | ☐ |
| 5 Bethany hasn't been going | ☐ |
| 6 Has your dad finished working | ☐ |

- 

- 1 We haven't made (not make) lunch yet. (PPS)
- 2 I _____ (do) a lot of clothes shopping recently. (PPC)
- 3 Ana _____ (visit) a fashion show. (PPC)
- 4 _____ (they / finish) the game? (PPS)
- 5 Clara _____ (not speak) to me all day. (PPC)
- 6 My aunt _____ (have) lots of different jobs. (PPS)



- 1 I've *felt* / *(been feeling)* very tired recently.
- 2 John hasn't *answered* / *been answering* my last email.
- 3 Rachel isn't here. Has she *gone* / *been going* shopping?
- 4 Our neighbours have *made* / *been making* a lot of noise.
- 5 Why have *you bought* / *you been buying* three baggy jumpers?
- 6 *Did you revise* / *Have you been revising* for your exams all week?



- What have you been doing recently?

- 3 Nick / wear / the same clothes / all week!

- 4 you / ever/ be / to France?

- 5 I / try / to contact you / all day!

- 6 Jan / not decide / what to do



- find go shopping ~~look for~~ not buy try on wait

Maxine

Sarah

Maxine

- I've never been to London.

I've been playing a lot of video games recently.

