

UNIT 4

MY NEIGHBOURHOOD

A. PHONETICS

I. Write the vowel sound /i:/ or /ɪ/ of the underlined letter(s).

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| 1. h <u>i</u> st <u>o</u> ric // | 6. c <u>o</u> n <u>v</u> en <u>i</u> ent // | 11. v <u>i</u> ll <u>a</u> ge // | 16. b <u>e</u> ach // |
| 2. k <u>ee</u> p // | 7. b <u>u</u> ild <u>i</u> ng // | 12. c <u>h</u> ea <u>p</u> // | 17. <u>e</u> ven <u>i</u> ng // |
| 3. p <u>ea</u> ce <u>f</u> ul // | 8. str <u>ee</u> t // | 13. d <u>e</u> lic <u>i</u> ous // | 18. s <u>ea</u> fo <u>o</u> d // |
| 4. th <u>i</u> nk // | 9. b <u>u</u> s <u>y</u> // | 14. sl <u>i</u> m // | 19. c <u>i</u> ty // |
| 5. c <u>i</u> ne <u>m</u> a // | 10. <u>e</u> x <u>c</u> it <u>i</u> ng // | 15. d <u>i</u> ff <u>e</u> rent // | 20. sh <u>ee</u> p // |

II. Circle the word that has the underlined part pronounced differently.

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| 1. l <u>i</u> ve | w <u>i</u> de | b <u>i</u> cycle | exc <u>i</u> ting |
| 2. f <u>ee</u> t | s <u>ea</u> t | n <u>ea</u> r | t <u>ea</u> m |
| 3. b <u>u</u> s <u>y</u> | c <u>i</u> ty | th <u>i</u> nk | terri <u>b</u> le |
| 4. gr <u>ea</u> t | h <u>ea</u> t | ch <u>ee</u> k | p <u>ea</u> ceful |
| 5. h <u>i</u> st <u>o</u> ric | exp <u>e</u> n <u>s</u> ive | off <u>i</u> ce | f <u>i</u> nally |

B. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

I. Look at the pictures and write the names of the places.

memorial	museum	cathedral	temple
palace	square	art gallery	railway station



1. _____



2. _____



3. _____



4. _____



5. _____



6. _____



7. _____



8. _____

II. Complete the sentences with the words in part I.

- If you visit England, you can go see Buckingham _____.
- Duc Ba Church is regarded the biggest _____ in Ho Chi Minh City.
- Ba Dinh _____ is in front of Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum.
- The train arrives at Saigon _____ at 4 am.
- The _____ was built in memory of soldiers who died in the war.

6. Her paintings are shown at Thang Long _____.
7. Van Mieu is a _____ of Confucius in Hanoi, northern Vietnam.
8. If you are interested in the history of Vietnam War, pay a visit to the War Remnants _____.

III. Complete the sentences with the words from the box.

convenient	historic	peaceful	fantastic	modern
boring	noisy	narrow	polluted	

1. I don't like living in a big city. It's _____ day and night and the air is so _____.
2. The streets in Hoi An ancient town are _____ and no cars are allowed.
3. For young people, it's really _____ in the country. It'd be more fun living in town.
4. We really enjoy staying here. The beach is _____ and the weather is very nice.
5. There is a supermarket in my neighborhood, so it's very _____ to go shopping for food.
6. Without noise and daily stress, life in the countryside is more _____ and healthier.
7. There are many _____ buildings and offices in Ho Chi Minh City.
8. Vietnam's most _____ city is Hue. It was the home of the Nguyen Kings and it has many palaces and monuments.

IV. Choose the correct adjectives to complete the sentences.

1. The road is not _____ (wide/ narrow) enough for two cars to pass comfortably.
2. Inside the cathedral, it's _____ (noisy/ peaceful) and quiet.
3. Those shoes are really _____ (cheap/ expensive) - they only cost £25.
4. My house is rather far from my school, so it's a bit _____ (convenient/ inconvenient).
5. Kids always find Christmas _____ (exciting/ boring). They are always looking forward to Christmas.
6. The air in the countryside is fresh and _____ (polluted/ unpolluted).
7. Hoi An is a(n) _____ (old/ modern) town near Da Nang.
8. There are a lot of shops nearby, so the streets are always busy and _____ (noisy/ quiet) during the day.

V. Write comparative sentences about the pictures using *than* and the words in brackets. Use the Present Simple.



Tim Sam



Sapa NhaTrang



Snow White the witch



NewYork SanFrancisco



Steve John

the red car

the yellow car

I my brother

Jane Max



1. (be/ young) Sam is younger than Tim.
2. (be/ hot) _____
3. (be/beautiful) _____
4. (be/small) _____
5. (be/ happy) _____
6. (be/modern) _____
7. (be/tall) _____
8. (be/good) _____
9. (be/big) _____
10. (be/expensive) _____

VI. Complete the sentences with the correct comparative form of the words in the box.

friendly	useful	important	cold	crowded
bad	high	exciting	thin	narrow

1. In Canada, January is _____ than March.
2. I think that good health is _____ than money.
3. You look _____. Have you lost weight?
4. I couldn't get a seat in the restaurant. It was _____ than usual.
5. Mountains are _____ than hills.
6. I think that people who live in villages are _____ than people in big cities.
7. My exam results were _____ than I expected.
8. I think New York is _____ than Houston.
9. These trousers are too wide. Do you have any that are _____?
10. I like my new dictionary. It is _____ than the last one.

VII. Complete the sentences with the comparative form of the adjectives in brackets. Add *than* where necessary.

1. I think she is still ill. She looks even _____ last week. (bad)
2. Her job is a lot _____ mine. (stressful)
3. He thinks Charlie Chaplin is _____ Mr Bean. (funny)
4. I can't study in this room. It's too noisy. I'm going to find a _____ place. (quiet)
5. Smart phones make our lives _____ and _____. (easy - convenient)

6. Life in a city is a lot _____ life in the countryside. (good)
7. My Math class is _____ my English class. (boring)
8. I like this school because it is _____ the other one. (big)
9. A car is much _____ a bike. (expensive)
10. We need _____ actors for this film. (young)

VIII. Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first sentence, using the adjective in capitals.

1. The first question was easier than the second one. (DIFFICULT)
The second question _____
2. The black coat is smaller than the brown one. (BIG)
The brown coat _____
3. The chair isn't as comfortable as the sofa. (COMFORTABLE)
The sofa _____
4. Jim's suitcase was lighter than Jack's suitcase. (HEAVY)
Jack's suitcase _____
5. His homework was better than mine. (BAD)
My homework _____
6. The big television is more expensive than the small one. (CHEAP)
The small television _____
7. The Royal Hotel is more old-fashioned than the Holton Hotel. (MODERN)
The Holton Hotel _____
8. The weather yesterday was worse than it is today. (GOOD)
The weather today _____
9. People in the city aren't as friendly as those in the country. (FRIENDLY)
People in the country _____
10. Life in the city is more interesting than life in the country. (BORING)
Life in the country _____

IX. Complete the sentences, using the prepositions in the box.

next to opposite between behind near on



1. The bank is _____ the school and the gym.
2. The cinema is _____ the park.
3. There is a hotel _____ the Pine Street.
4. The theatre is _____ the supermarket.
5. The police station is _____ the post office.
6. The swimming pool is _____ the gym.
7. There is a car park _____ the hotel.
8. The hospital is _____ the corner.

C. SPEAKING

I. Look and complete the conversation.



Tourist:
restaurant near here?

Excuse me! (1) _____ a

Quan:
here.

Yes. There is one, but it's not very near

Tourist:
there?

(2) _____ tell me how to get

Quan: Um...let me see. Go straight on. Turn (3) _____ at the conner. Then (4) _____ the second turning on the right. Keep going to the end of the road. (5) _____ left there. The restaurant is on your left, (6) _____ the stadium.

Tourist: (7) _____ very much.

Quan: You're (8) _____.

II. Put the conversation in the correct order.

___ How long does it take to get there?

___ Thank you so much.

1 Excuse me! Could you tell me the way to the nearest supermarket, please?

___ Yes. There is a bank opposite the post office.

___ Not at all.

___ Go straight on and turn left at the bookstore. The supermarket will be across the street, next

to the post office.

___ It's just a fifteen-minute walk.

___ Thanks a lot. Is there a bank near the supermarket?

D. READING

I. Fill in each gap with a word from the box.

attractions house lies many tourist famous as visit

The ancient town of Hoi An (1) _____ on the Thu Bon River, 30km south of Da Nang. It was formerly a major trading center in Southeast Asia between the 16th and 17th centuries. Hoi An is (2) _____ for its old temples, pagodas, small tile-roofed houses and narrow streets.

One of the main (3) _____ of Hoi An is the Japanese Covered Bridge, which was built in the 16th century and is still well-preserved. All visitors to Hoi An are recommended a (4) _____ to the Cantonese Assembly Hall, which was built in 1855 and still keeps (5) _____ precious objects. Another attractive address to tourists is Tan Ky (6) _____, which was constructed nearly two centuries ago as a house of a Vietnamese merchant.

In recent years, Hoi An has become a popular (7) _____ destination in Vietnam. In 1999, it was certified by UNESCO (8) _____ a World Cultural Heritage Site.

II. Read the passage and decide whether the statements are true (T) or false (F).

I live in a wonderful neighbourhood. It is quiet but very convenient. There is a grocery store; I go there when I want to buy something quick to prepare. Also, there are other shops such as a bakery, two restaurants, and a bookstore. I am very satisfied of having a bookstore in my neighbourhood because I love reading books. Near my house, there is a small park. It's a place where people meet and socialise. My father and I go jogging around the park every morning. My neighbourhood is great but there are no schools nearby. The hospital is also far away, but in general it is a nice place to live.

1. The neighbourhood is very noisy.
2. There are no restaurants in the neighbourhood.
3. The school is far away from the neighbourhood.
4. The writer doesn't want a bookstore in his neighbourhood.
5. You can buy food in the grocery store.
6. There is a large park in the neighbourhood.
7. The writer likes to live in his neighbourhood.

E. WRITING

I. Rearrange the words or phrases to make meaningful sentences.

1. we/ first/ where/ go/ this morning/ shall?

2. the cafeteria/ and/ a cold drink/ let's/ get/ to/ go.

3. like/ you/ the countryside/ do/ living/ in?

4. neighbourhood/ post office/ in/ there/ your/ a/ is?

5. me/ you/ the way/ could/ the Japanese Bridge/ to/ tell/ please?

6. houses/ are/ there/ historic/ Hoi An/ many/ ancient town/ in.

7. polluted/ smoke/ the air/ is/ with/ factories/ from.

8. much/ than/ living in a big city/ expensive/ is/ living in the countryside/ more

II. Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first sentence.

1. Shall we go to the Japanese Covered Bridge first?

Let's _____

2. Helen's brother is shorter than her.

Helen _____

3. Travelling abroad for a holiday is much more expensive than travelling in your country.

Travelling in your country _____

4. Country life isn't as interesting as city life.

City life is _____

5. Would you mind telling me the way to the National Museum?

Can _____

6. The bus stop is in front of the hotel.

The hotel _____

7. Turn left at the first traffic lights.

Take _____

8. The weather yesterday was worse than it is today.

The weather today is _____

9. There are three supermarkets in my town.

My town _____

10. The shopping mall is near the Italian restaurant.

The Italian restaurant isn't _____

TEST FOR UNIT 4

I. Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the others.

1. a. peaceful

b. pleasure

c. sleepy

d. cheap

2. a. exciting

b. quiet

c. wide

d. terrible

3. a. crowded

b. interested

c. bored

d. polluted

4. a. shops

b. theatres

c. streets

d. parks

5. a. narrow b. crowd c. now d. about

II. What are these places? Write the names of the places.

restaurant bakery cinema grocery post office bookstore bank art gallery

1. It is a place where we send letters and buy stamps. _____
2. It is a place where we can buy books. _____
3. It is a place where we pay money to watch a movie. _____
4. It is a place where we can buy and eat a meal. _____
5. It is a place where we can save money. _____
6. It is a place where we can buy food and other goods. _____
7. It is a place where we can see paintings and other works of art. _____
8. It is a place where we can buy bread and cakes. _____

III. Choose the best answer a, b, c or d to complete the sentence.

1. What is there _____ our neighborhood?
a. in b. on c. at d. from
2. Turn left _____ the traffic lights and the restaurant is _____ your right
a. in - on b. at - in c. at - on d. on - in
3. _____ the second turning on the right and then go straight.
a. Cross b. Get c. Turn d. Take
4. He is much _____ now, but he's still taking medication.
a. good b. gooder c. better d. more better
5. The air in many cities is heavily _____ with vehicle exhaust fumes.
a. polluted b. crowded c. wasted d. contained
6. I'm just going to the _____ to buy some medicines and bandage.
a. cinema b. chemist's c. restaurant d. grocery
7. My neighborhood is very _____ because everything is near my house.
a. convenient b. exciting c. comfortable d. inconvenient
8. _____ go to the museum this weekend? - Good idea!
a. Let's b. Why don't c. Shall we d. Could you
9. Living in a city is _____ convenient than living in the countryside.
a. a lot b. much c. many d. more
10. - Is there a supermarket in your neighborhood?
- _____.
a. No, it isn't. The supermarket is near my house.
b. Yes. There it one not far from my house.
c. There is a supermarket in my neighborhood.
d. The supermarket is opposite the park.

IV. Put the verbs into the correct tense form.

1. I _____ (have) a great time in Hoi An at present
2. There _____ (be) always a lot of traffic, day and night.
3. My friend, Michelle, and I _____ (spend) five days in Hoi An last year.
4. Outside the sun _____ (shine) so I'm off to get some fresh air.
5. We usually _____ (stay) at home for a holiday, but this holiday we _____ (travel) abroad.
6. _____ (be) there any bookstores in your neighborhood?
7. My grandma _____ (not like) living in the city.
8. How _____ (I/ get) to the railway station? - Go straight ahead then turn left.
9. Where _____ (you/ go) now? - We _____ (go) to Tan Ky House.
10. _____ (be) there a post office nearby? - No. There _____ (be) no post offices near here.

V. Supply the comparative form of the adjectives in brackets.

1. I find war films _____ than romantic films. (boring)
2. He is _____ than I thought him to be. (clever)
3. My exam results were _____ than I expected. (bad)
4. Which one of these cities is _____ from us - Tokyo or Berlin? (far)
5. Jim Carrey's latest film is _____ than the previous one. (funny)
6. Ho Chi Minh City is _____ than Da Nang. (polluted)
7. I think living in the city is _____ than living in the country. (good)
8. The house is much _____ than the flat we had in London. (spacious)
9. Today's weather will be 5 degrees _____ than yesterday's. (hot)
10. The seafood here is _____ than the seafood in Ha Noi. (delicious)

VI. Match the sentences.

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| 1. Excuse me! Is there a grocery store near here? | a. Turn at the next corner. Go straight on to the traffic lights. Turn left. It's on your right. |
| 2. Shall we go by bus? | b. Let's visit some historic houses in the town. |
| 3. Where is the restaurant? | c. Da Nang is much smaller than Saigon. |
| 4. What shall we do this morning? | d. Yes, there is one on the corner, just a ten minute walk. |
| 5. How can I get to the railway station? | e. I think it's more convenient to go by taxi. |
| 6. Let's go to Tan Ky House first. | f. Because there are many shopping malls around the neighborhood. |
| 7. Which city is bigger - Danang or Saigon? | g. It's opposite the amusement park |
| 8. Why is the road too crowded on weekends? | h. That's a good idea. |