

UNIT 8: TOURISM

A. PHONETICS

I. Mark the questions with falling or falling-rising arrows. Then practise the conversations with a partner.

1. A: Have you chosen your destination?
B: No, I'm still thinking about it.
2. A: From which country have you come to Bangladesh?
B: England.
3. A: Have you ever come to Malaysia before?
B: No, this is my first visit to Malaysia.
4. A: What is your occupation?
B: I'm a doctor.
5. A: How long will you stay in London?
B: Twenty days.
6. A: Are you looking forward to a cool vacation?
B: Yes, it's too hot here.
7. A: Where's the best place to take photos around here?
B: Oh, there are so many nice places with beautiful scenery. My favorite is Spartan Castle. It's a nice place to take a shot.
8. A: Do you like to travel to Europe?
B: Yes, it's always my dream.

II. Underline the questions that end with a falling tone and circle the ones with a falling-rising tone. Then practise the conversation with a partner.

- Harry: Good morning. Are you a tourist?
- Lin: Good morning, sir. Yes, I am here for vacation.
- Harry: It's nice to have you here. Where do you come from?
- Lin: Thank you. I'm from Japan.
- Harry: How do you like it here so far?
- Lin: It's wonderful. The weather is good and the sunset is beautiful.
- Harry: How about the food? Do you like it?
- Lin: I like the food too. It's delicious.
- Harry: Good to know. Is it the same in your country?
- Lin: It's very different, but I'm glad I can try something new.
- Harry: I hope you enjoy the rest of your day here.

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B. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

I. Match the phrase or idiom with its definition.

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| 1. make up your mind | a. a place to visit that is very popular with tourists |
| 2. narrow down | b. not be the type of thing that you like |
| 3. picture sb/ sth | c. travel around visiting interesting places as a tourist |
| 4. not be your cup of tea | d. make a decision |
| 5. be into sth | e. imagine sb/ sth |
| 6. not break the bank | f. reduce the number of possibilities or choices |
| 7. go sightseeing | g. before something happens |
| 8. package tour | h. be very interested in something |
| 9. tourist attraction | i. not cost very much money |
| 10. in advance | j. a holiday organized by a travel company at a fixed price |

II. Complete the sentences with the phrases in part I. Add words or make changes if necessary.

1. I _____ listening to music, especially blue and jazz.
2. Son Doong Cave is one of the most amazing _____ in Vietnam.
3. I guess the price of the tour won't _____.
4. Have you _____ where to go for your summer holiday?
5. It's cheaper if you book the plane tickets _____.
6. We are working to _____ the list of candidates from ten to three.
7. We have a _____ to Bali, which includes airfare, hotel, and guided tours.
8. I can _____ you lying on the beach in the hot sun.
9. In London, tourists will _____ and then attend the Farnborough Air Show.
10. Thanks for inviting me, but war films are not really _____.

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

expedition	affordable	breathtaking	exotic	inaccessible
excursion	magnificence	reasonable	stalagmites	preservation

1. Our planet is an astonishing place and full of _____ beauty.
2. I'm interested in _____ of coastal rain forests ecosystems.
3. My class is going on a one-day _____ to the Grand Canyon.
4. Son Doong contains some of the tallest known _____ in the world, which are up to 70 metres tall.
5. He had made an _____ to Spain to study wild plants.
6. We were impressed by the splendor and _____ of the Pyramids.

7. Could space tourism become _____ within a decade?
8. Madagascar is one of the most _____ places in the world, in its plants and animals found nowhere else on earth.
9. She said those prices are very _____ for the distance of the trip.
10. Isle Royale National Park is located in Lake Superior, _____ except by boat or seaplane.

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

1. Spring water slowly flows through the cavern, _____ limestone.
a. forming b. carving c. eroding d. featuring
2. When spending a week in Berlin, you can _____ the city itself and its surroundings.
a. explore b. travel c. visit d. guide
3. With its _____ climate, the country attracts both winter and summer sports enthusiasts.
a. extreme b. wet c. harsh d. varied
4. Son Doong Cave is one of the most fascinating _____ that can be experienced in Southeast Asia.
a. journeys b. expeditions c. destinations d. explorations
5. Nick has just returned from his holiday looking relaxed and _____.
a. cool b. worried c. tanned d. exhausted
6. Ha Long Bay has twice been _____ by UNESCO as a World Natural Heritage Site.
a. experienced b. recognized c. discovered d. developed
7. Our _____ showed us around the old town and regaled us with historical stories.
a. travel agent b. holidaymaker c. sightseer d. tour guide
8. The authorities are trying to encourage and _____ domestic tourism.
a. permit b. issue c. promote d. attract
9. Frog legs are one of the better-known delicacies of French _____.
a. cuisine b. landscape c. recipe d. ingredient
10. Saturdays are busy, so it's a good idea to _____ a table in advance.
a. offer b. reserve c. retain d. save
11. We spent the day swimming and _____ around on the beach.
a. exploring b. turning c. traveling d. lazing
12. The seaside resort always gets overcrowded in _____ season.
a. low b. peak c. off d. hard

V. Underline the correct form.

1. *The hydrogen / Hydrogen* is lighter than *the atmosphere / atmosphere*.
2. *The telephone / Telephone* was invented by Alexander Graham Bell.

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3. *Windows / The windows* are made of *the glass / glass*.
4. Kate lives in *Manchester / the Manchester* in a little street called *a Green Street / Green Street*.
5. Paula is *the interesting / an interesting* woman. We are very interested in what she is saying on *a subject / the subject*.
6. I went to *the bank / a bank* today and they said I didn't have any money!
7. *A book / The book* that you gave me on *Sunday / the Sunday* was really good.
8. Most experts agree that *ice / the ice* at *poles / the poles* is melting.
9. *An Japanese / The Japanese* are some of the most creative people in *world / the world*.
10. *Scientists / The scientists* have discovered *a new galaxy / the new galaxy*.
11. We went out for *meal / a meal* last night at *Indian Restaurant / an Indian Restaurant* in *the South Street / South Street*.
12. *A bird / The bird* has *an aerodynamic / the aerodynamic* shape and *the feathers / feathers* to enable it to fly.

VI. Complete the sentence with *a /an* or *the*, or write Ø for zero article.

1. Because there was _____ huge rainstorm, the flight was delayed for more than _____ hour.
2. I lived on _____ Main Street when I first came to _____ town.
3. While I was in Japan, I stayed in _____ hotel with walls made of _____ paper.
4. _____ British are famous for the amount of _____ fast food they eat.
5. Albany is _____ capital of _____ New York State.
6. You can sit on the beach and watching _____ sun go down over _____ Arabian Sea and it's quite wonderful.
7. _____ Norway is _____ country on _____ Scandinavian Peninsula.
8. I don't know why you always put _____ sugar in your coffee if you are trying to lose _____ weight.
9. _____ film was shot on location in _____ Philippines.
10. At _____ last minute, David decided to go away for _____ few days and stay in _____ hotel by _____ sea.
11. We organize tours to _____ wide range of countries in _____ Europe, and also other tours in _____ USA, and _____ South Africa.
12. A year after _____ hurricane, _____ tourists are gradually beginning to come back to _____ region.
13. Where did you put _____ plane ticket that I gave you on _____ Monday?
14. My brother likes to have _____ breakfast in _____ bed on _____ Saturday morning.
15. We spent _____ week in Paris and had _____ great time going up _____ Eiffel Tower, and taking _____ trip along _____ Seine in _____ open boat.

VII. Complete the text with *a /an* or *the*, or leave blank for zero article.

THE GREAT WALL OF CHINA

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The Great Wall of China is one of (1) _____ wonders of (2) _____ modern world and became (3) _____ UNESCO Heritage Site in 1987. It is (4) _____ one of (5) _____ longest (6,700 km) structures in (6) _____ world, and has (7) _____ history of more than (8) _____ two thousand years. (9) _____ building of (10) _____ wall began between (11) _____ 7th and 8th centuries BC as (12) _____ means of defending most of (13) _____ China from (14) _____ invading people of (15) _____ north. (16) _____ rulers of different parts of (17) _____ country built sections of the wall, and these were joined together in the time of (18) _____ Qin dynasty. During (19) _____ Ming dynasty (1368-1644 AD) (20) _____ wall was repaired and extended and took on the appearance it has today, with (21) _____ complex system of (22) _____ forts and towers. It has (23) _____ average height of ten metres and (24) _____ width of five metres, and it runs from (25) _____ east to (26) _____ west.

VIII. Match the words in column A with the words in column B to form compound nouns.

A	B
1. under	way _____
2. sight	put _____
3. high	attraction _____
4. take	ground _____
5. cycling	house _____
6. tourist	seeing _____
7. check	by _____
8. out	lag _____
9. fire	out _____
10. sun	ware _____
11. green	place _____
12. jet	work _____
13. passer	tour _____
14. soft	off _____
15. birth	set _____

IX. Use the compound nouns above to complete the following sentences. You may need to change the forms of some of the words.

- Flight attendants, please prepare for _____.
- Guests can explore the coast in a kayak, or join a free _____.
- Speak to Reception if you would like to request a later _____.
- A _____ witnessed the car accident on 17th Street.
- We took the _____ to Trafalgar Square to see Nelson's Monument.
- The new _____ will reduce the time to drive to the beach.
- Gladys grows a lot of tomatoes in her _____.
- The company increased _____ by extending its office hours.

9. Italy is considered the _____ of Western civilization.
10. The tourists went _____ in the suburbs of the city.
11. Make sure you have good anti-virus _____ installed.
12. The Statue of Liberty is one of New York City's most popular _____.
13. In London, some 12,000 _____ lit up the capital's skyline.
14. We sat on the beach watching a spectacular _____.
15. _____ is caused because the body clock does not readjust immediately to the time change.

X. Fill each blank in the following sentences with a compound noun from the box.

heart attack	public speaking	haircut	check-ups	toothpaste
headache	underworld	driving license	full moon	stopover

1. I'd like to lie down for a bit to make my _____ go away.
2. Jim is going to the barber for a _____.
3. The _____ looked enormous as it rose over the horizon.
4. She lost her _____ when she was caught drink-driving.
5. Do you prefer peppermint or cinnamon flavored _____?
6. The journey includes a two-day _____ in Miami before flying on to Mexico.
7. You should have regular medical _____ to keep track of your health.
8. Do you think the police accept money from the _____?
9. He's very good at _____ - I think he's a politician in the making.
10. Prevent a _____ by eating properly and getting enough exercise.

XI. Form compound nouns from these elements and use them to complete the sentences below.

fishing	snow	standers	stop	sea	up	fall	honey	boat	sun	tan	life
over	mid	shells	pick	moon	dry	out	wild	cleaning	day	by	take

1. They enjoyed walking along the beach and collecting _____.
2. She's on the beach all day, trying to get a really deep _____.
3. You should avoid the sun at _____, especially if you have very fair skin.
4. Recyclable materials can be left on the sidewalk for _____.
5. Many innocent _____ were injured by the explosion.
6. The average annual _____ for this region is about 30 centimetres.
7. The Maldives is a popular destination for _____ couples.
8. Let's order _____ for dinner tonight.
9. Be sure to pick up the _____ on your way home.
10. A _____ sank off the Spanish coast last night.
11. Tourists visit these national parks to view the _____ in their natural habitats.

12. On August 4, we flew from Los Angeles to Madrid, with a _____ in London.

XII.Fill in each blank with a suitable preposition.

1. They're both beautiful - I can't make _____ my mind.
2. You can go _____ a guided city tour around Copenhagen.
3. Take breathtaking beauty _____ Nantucket Sound when you stay _____ The Soundings Seaside Resort.
4. Jackie's really _____ surfing. He spends most of his time on the waves.
5. The rocks have eroded _____ over time.
6. We have narrowed _____ the list to four candidates.
7. Son Doong was recognized _____ one of the most beautiful caves _____ earth.
8. Black Friday is a good time to do Christmas shopping _____ breaking the bank.
9. Son Doong Cave is located _____ Quang Binh Province.
10. People first knew about Thien Duong Cave when it was _____ ABC's "Good Morning America".

C. SPEAKING

- I. Complete the conversation with the sentences from the box. Write the letters of the sentences (A - J).**

- A. Which cities did you visit?
B. Really? A lot of people prefer Korean food more.
C. Have you been to South Korea?
D. Is one week enough to travel the country?
E. What countries would you like to visit in the future?
F. Which one do you like more, Japanese or Korean cuisine?
G. Where did you go on your last holiday?
H. Sounds good! How long did you stay in Japan?
I. Which city do you like best?
J. Wow, that's great. Who did you go with?

Wendy: (1) _____

Linh: I went to Japan.

Wendy: (2) _____

Linh: I went there with my family. We wanted to relax, and also go shopping.

Wendy: (3) _____

Linh: We stayed there for a week.

Wendy: (4) _____

Linh: Of course not. We just visited some cities in Japan.

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Wendy: (5) _____

Linh: We went to Kyoto, Tokyo, Mt. Fuji and Osaka.

Wendy: (6) _____

Linh: Kyoto. Cos I love nature and enjoy the history of Japan.

Wendy: (7) _____

Linh: Yes, I went to Seoul in March.

Wendy: (8) _____

Linh: Of course, Japanese food.

Wendy: (9) _____

Linh: Korean food is too spicy to me. I think Japanese food is more delicious.

Wendy: (10) _____

Linh: I want to go to some countries in Europe, such as Italy, German, the Netherlands and France.

II. Put the dialogue into the correct order.

___ Yes, sure. I understand. How many of you will be travelling?

___ Ah, yes. Hello. I'd like to enquire about flights to Hong Kong from Kennedy Airport in New York, please. I'm off to a conference at the end of the month - Thursday 22nd until Tuesday 27th. Could you tell me about the flight availability and prices?

___ Ah, it's just me.

___ And how much will that be?

___ All right. One seat... economy class... New York - Kennedy to Hong Kong Airport.

1 Hello! Dolores speaking...

___ Well, I'd like to go first class, but unfortunately I'll have to go economy - company rules, you see.

___ No, tax is another \$70 on top of that.

___ Let me see. To qualify for the discount rate, you need to stay over a Saturday. Yes, that'll be \$830.

___ OK. Can I book that, then?

___ Certainly. Do you want to go economy, business or first class?

___ Right, and does that include airport tax?

___ Certainly.

D. READING

I. Complete the passage with words from the box.

picturesque	reach	apart	delayed	foreign
ruins	whichever	reserve	laze	abroad

Almost all people like to spend their holidays travelling. They travel to see other countries and continents, modern cities and the (1) _____ of ancient towns, they travel to enjoy (2)

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_____ places, or just for a change of scene. City dwellers usually like a quiet holiday by the sea, or in the mountains, with nothing to do but walk and bathe and (3) _____ in the sun.

Most people enjoy going (4) _____ for their holidays, and having the opportunity to stay in an interesting city. If you speak (5) _____ languages, you can make new friends, and get home some interesting souvenirs as presents! But before you can do that, you have to (6) _____ your destination, and that is often a problem! If you fly, then you may find that your flight has been (7) _____. Journeys by train can also be difficult, since trains are often crowded in summer but you may have to (8) _____ a seat in advance. (9) _____ way you travel, you can have problems with your luggage, and it is often difficult to find good accommodation. (10) _____ from this, you might not be able to afford the fare!

II. Read the text carefully, then do the tasks.

TOURISM TODAY

People travel all over the world and attend a lot of interesting places. The effect of travelling of large amount of people sometimes is incredible. Here are some examples of it.

Large number of people coming to one place once at a time can have less comfortable accommodation as it was in Scotland where only 40% of tourists were offered hotels.

Tourism is one of the principal contributions of pollution in the Mediterranean Sea and as the number of people increase, the problem worsen. Several laws and initiatives have been implemented in order to protect the Mediterranean Sea from further degradation. The rapid tourism development of Bali has had a great effect on its natural environment, affecting water resources, increasing pollution and localized flooding, as well as putting pressure on the island's infrastructure.

In Cancun, Mexico, tourism has extensively damaged the lagoon, obliterated sand dunes, led to the extinction of varying species of animals and fish, and destroyed the rainforest which surrounds the island. It was only twenty years after it was developed, that the government of Mexico decided to limit projects along the coast to prevent further damage to the island's environment.

In Trinidad and Tobago there are shortages of water due to the overpopulation of tourists on the island. The most damaging effect of tourism has been the destruction of coral reefs, as they are harvested for sale to tourists and destroyed by tourists stepping on them as they enter the water.

A. Match the word with its definition.

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| 1. degradation | a. make an idea, plan, or law start to be used |
| 2. infrastructure | b. collect plants, animals, or things that can be eaten or used |
| 3. lagoon | c. a situation in which something stops existing |
| 4. obliterate | d. a new plan for dealing with a particular problem |
| 5. initiative | e. the process of changing into a worse condition |
| 6. implement | f. destroy completely |
| 7. harvest | g. an area of sea water separated from the sea by rocks or sand |
| 8. extinction | h. the basic systems and services, such as buildings, transport and power supplies |

B. Decide whether the following statements are true (T) or false (F).

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