

READING

1 Read the text and tick (✓) A, B, or C.

The best city in the world

This year Sydney, Australia was voted the best city in the world. As an Australian, I feel very happy about that but my blog isn't about Sydney. I'm Francesca Williams, from the city of Melbourne, where I've lived all my life. I'd like to tell you why I think my home city is better than Sydney.

I'm an actress and I'm working in Melbourne at the moment but I often work in Sydney because they make a lot of TV programmes there so I know the city well.

People say the best thing about Sydney is Bondi beach. I went there in January and it was sunny but windy. The beach was busy and it was noisy because there were so many people. My city is on the south coast and there are wonderful, quiet beaches without many tourists.

Melbourne is also famous for old, interesting buildings, such as the Chinese museum, and there are exciting street markets you can visit. There's a very modern Arts Centre too but of course, the Opera House in Sydney is the most famous concert hall in Australia.

Melbourne has a very good public transport system with buses, trains and trams. If you want to use your car, the roads here are straight and you can drive easily and safely. In Sydney you get lost in ten minutes because there are a lot of roads you can't drive down!

Finally, there are many different nationalities who live in Melbourne so there's an enormous variety of foreign food to enjoy. My favourite food is Italian but you can eat all kinds of European and Asian food. Tomorrow night I'm going to try a new Mexican restaurant which has opened recently. Read my next blog for my food review!

Example: Sydney is bigger than Melbourne.

A True B False C Doesn't say

- 1 Francesca was born in Melbourne.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 2 She prefers Sydney.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 3 There were a lot of people on Bondi beach when Francesca visited.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 4 Melbourne is in the north of Australia.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 5 Melbourne Arts Centre is more famous than the Sydney Opera House.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 6 The Chinese Museum is an old building.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 7 You can visit a street market in Melbourne.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 8 Melbourne is a difficult place to drive.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 9 There are a lot of different nationalities in Sydney.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 10 Francesca is going to eat Mexican food tomorrow.
A True B False C Doesn't say

2 Now read the text again and answer the questions.

1 Where is Francesca working at the moment?

2 What is Melbourne famous for?

3 How can you travel around Melbourne?

4 What happens when you drive in Sydney?

5 What is Francesca's favourite food?

Reading total	15
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WRITING

Answer the questions. Write 25–35 words for each question.

- 1 What things do you do every day and what time do you do them?
- 2 Write about your last holiday.
- 3 What are you going to do next week?

Writing total	10
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Reading and Writing total	25
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LISTENING

1 Listen to the conversation. Tick (✓) A, B, or C.

- 1 The man knows _____.
A Clara's daughter B Clara C Clara's sister
- 2 Clara _____.
A isn't enjoying the party B can't stay late C works on Sundays
- 3 Eddie's niece is _____ years old.
A 6 B 16 C 7
- 4 The man has visited _____.
A Japan and China B China C Japan
- 5 The man is going to be in China on _____.
A Sunday B Monday C Saturday

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2 Listen to five speakers. Match them with the questions they are answering A–E.

Speaker 1

Speaker 2

Speaker 3

Speaker 4

Speaker 5

A How are you going to spend New Year?

B Which is your favourite month of the year?

C Have you been to San Francisco?

D What kind of music do you like?

E What do you do to relax at the weekend?

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Listening total 10