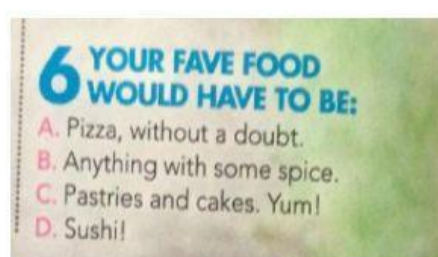
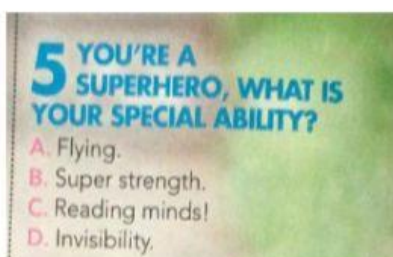
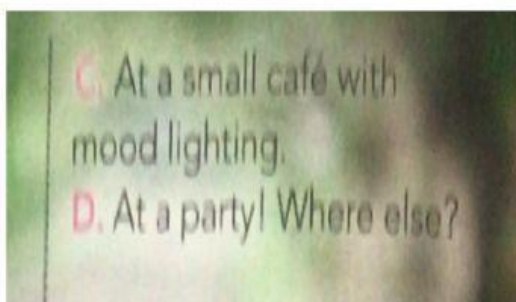
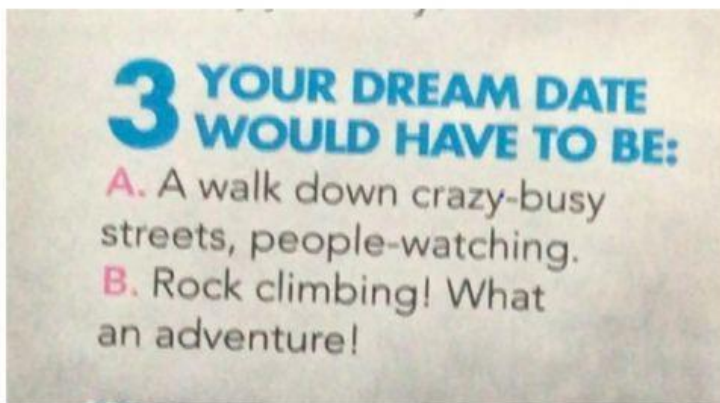
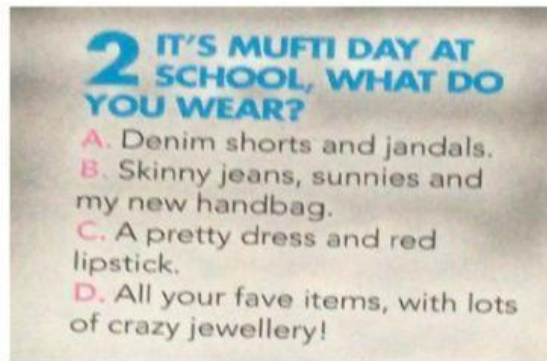
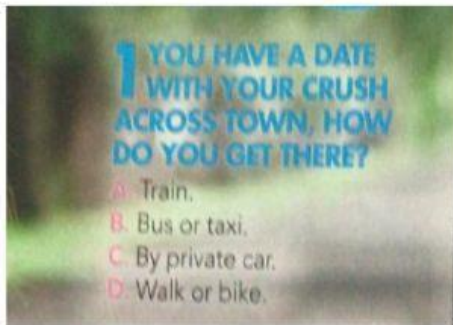
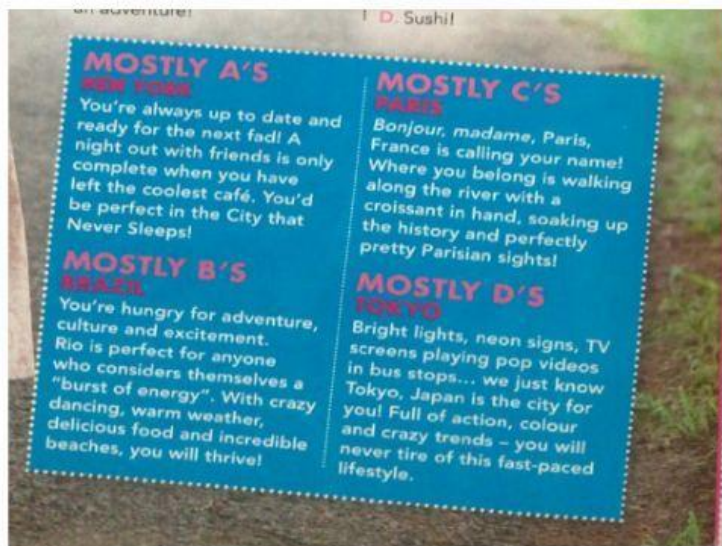


1. What is the city of your dreams? Have you ever been there? Where would you live if you could choose?
2. Here is the [LINK](#) to a game with some vocabulary from the following activity, based on the quiz from a NZ teen magazine.
3. Answer the question in this short quiz and find out which city suits you best.





4. You are about to listen and work on excerpts from the first chapter of *The Princess Diaries* by Meg Cabot. Have you read the book or seen the movie? Did you like it?

Clip 1. _____ Listen to the clip once and answer the questions:

- Where does Mia Thermopolis, the protagonist, live?
- Why does she call herself a “freak”?
- What bothers her?



Listen again and fill the gaps.

Tuesday, September 23

Sometimes it seems like all I ever do _____.

My mom thinks I'm _____ about this.

I say to her, “No, Mom, I’m not. As long as you’re happy, I’m happy.”

Mom says, “I don’t think _____ honest with me.”

Then she hands me this book. She tells me she wants _____ down my feelings in this book, since, she says, I obviously don’t feel I can talk about them with her.

Okay, I'll write down my feelings: I CAN'T BELIEVE SHE'S DOING THIS TO ME!

Like everybody doesn't already think I'm a freak.

I'm practically the biggest freak in the entire school. I mean, _____ :

I'm five foot nine, flat-chested, and a freshman. How much more of a freak _____ ?

If people at school find out about this, _____.

There are _____ people in Manhattan, right? That makes about two million of them guys. So out of TWO MILLION guys, she has to go out with Mr. Gianini. She has to go out with my Algebra teacher.

Thanks, Mom. Thanks a _____ lot.



5. Clip 2 _____.

Has Mia seen her mother and Mr Gianini kiss?

What do these words and expressions mean?

fifth period

you're flunking Algebra

asks her out

close-up view

grossed me out

6. Clip 3 _____ Listen, unjumble the questions, listen again and answer them.

a) Josh Richter/ what/ buying/ was?

b) did Mia/ a free sample/ who/ get from? _____

c) it / why/ get/ did/ she? _____

d) does Mia/ why / think that away / Josh is a totally/ from his friends/ different person?

What do these sentences mean?

Lilly says Josh's synapses were probably misfiring that day, due to heatstroke or something.

He probably thought I looked familiar but couldn't place my face without the cement block walls of Albert Einstein High behind me.



7. Listen to clip 4_____. Find in a dictionary or explain in your own words the words in bold:

Lilly says I have an **overactive imagination** and a **pathological need** to invent drama in my life. She says the fact that I'm so upset about my mom and Mr. G is a classic example. "If you're that upset about it, just tell your mom," Lilly says. "Why don't you **just assert yourself for a change?** Your feelings have worth, you know." Oh, right. Like I'm going **to bum my mom** out like that. She's so totally happy about this date, it's enough to make me want **to throw up**.

Give a short summary of the clips you've just listened to.

Here is the **LINK** to a short NYC quiz-game