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1. Venice is a unique city because it_____.

- a. is made of islands on the water
- b. has many older residents
- c. is expensive for people to live in

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2. Venice is changing because

- a. it has many problems
- b. everything comes to the city by boat
- c. it has so many tourists

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3. The two main problems in Venice are

- a. too many old residents and too many rich people
- b. too many bridges and too much water from high tides
- c. high water and too many tourists

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One piece of information in each sentence is not correct.
Rewrite the sentence with the correct information.

1. Venice is in the south of Italy.

2. People use cars to travel and bring things into Venice.

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One piece of information in each sentence is not correct.
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3. When there is high tide, people walk on special bridges.

4. Today, Venice has twice as many people as it had 30 years ago.

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One piece of information in each sentence is not correct.
Rewrite the sentence with the correct information.

5. The old shops in Venice are changing to vegetable shops.

6. Residents are moving out of Venice because the houses are too old.

WRITING SKILLS

Adjectives

Words that describe nouns are called adjectives.
They usually answer the question "What kind?"

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✿ Adjectives are the same with a singular noun or a plural noun.

Example:

Venice is an old city.
(adjective) (singular noun)

There are many old cities in Europe.
(adjective) (plural noun)

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✿ Adjectives often come before nouns.

Example:

Only rich people can live in Venice.
(adjective) (noun)

Venice is a unique city.
(adjective) (noun)

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✿ Adjectives can also come after a form of the verb to be.

Example:

Venice is unique.
(form of verb to be) (adjective)

Houses are old.
(form of verb to be) (adjective)



Exercise 1

Underline the adjectives in each of these sentences.

1. Venice is a **romantic** city.
2. There are **souvenir** shops everywhere.
3. The city has an **old** problem.
4. The houses are **too expensive**.
5. Venice is **beautiful**.



Exercise 2

1. Venice / city / is / a / beautiful.

EXAMPLE: Venice is a beautiful city.

2. in the north of / is / Italy / Venice.



Exercise 2

3. a group of / 118 small islands / is / Venice.

4. has / Venice / with high tide / a problem.
