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## UNIT 2



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### UPPER - INTERMEDIATE LEVEL (B2)

1 ▷ Listen and circle the sound you hear. Decide if the speaker is British (B) or North American (NA).

1	better	/t/	/d/	___
2	tomato	/ɑ:/	/æ/	___
3	long	/ɑ:/	/ɒ/	___
4	aunt	/ɑ:/	/æ/	___
5	chance	/ɑ:/	/æ/	___

2 ▷ Listen and complete the sentences. Write no more than seven words in each gap. Decide if the speaker is British (B) or North American (NA).

- 1 We just drank \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 Lisa used \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 Are you \_\_\_\_\_?
- 4 Joe's not \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 I'm definitely not \_\_\_\_\_.

3 Choose the correct answer to complete the text. Write the full word or phrase, NOT the letter.

Travelling alone for the first time <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ me with a wave of conflicting emotions. When I set out to travel around Europe alone, I <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ what to expect. I wasn't well travelled – I'd only been abroad once on a family holiday. No one I knew <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ this before either, so there was no one to get advice from. To make up for how unprepared I felt, I followed my guidebooks and got used to it all by going on some tours.

The guidebooks were useful for a general overview of a destination, but one day as I <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ round yet another town square, I suddenly <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ that there <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ more to travel than reading out-of-date information from a thick guidebook. So I <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to leave the book to one side. That was one of the best decisions I <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ during my time away. I much preferred to get information from local people. Another thing that I realized was that it was best to go with the flow and not worry about strict schedules. Sometimes it was simply the case that I <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to fit in too much in one day and I just ended up getting stressed. And it was when I <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ around quite so much that I had some of my sweetest travel moments.

- |      |               |   |                |   |                  |
|------|---------------|---|----------------|---|------------------|
| 1 a  | was filling   | b | filled         | c | had filled       |
| 2 a  | didn't know   | b | wasn't knowing | c | haven't known    |
| 3 a  | did           | b | was doing      | c | had done         |
| 4 a  | walked        | b | was walking    | c | had walked       |
| 5 a  | thought       | b | was thinking   | c | had thought      |
| 6 a  | had to be     | b | had had to be  | c | was having to be |
| 7 a  | was deciding  | b | decided        | c | had decided      |
| 8 a  | made          | b | had made       | c | was making       |
| 9 a  | planned       | b | was planning   | c | had planned      |
| 10 a | didn't rushed | b | hadn't rushed  | c | wasn't rushing   |

4 Complete the sentences with the correct PAST PERFECT FORM of the verb in brackets.

- 1 We \_\_\_\_\_ for about two hours when we ran out of petrol. (drive)
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Steve for a long time when you went into business together? (you / know)
- 3 Unfortunately, Lisa and Ollie \_\_\_\_\_ preparing the meal when their guests arrived. (finish)
- 4 Because Zainab \_\_\_\_\_ all day, she really needed a break. (study)
- 5 Ted was upset when his parents cancelled their arrangement. He \_\_\_\_\_ to take them out for dinner. (want)

5 Complete the sentences with the correct word.

zone                  season                  appeal                  remote                  wander

- 1 When I go on holiday I like to travel to \_\_\_\_\_ places. I enjoy getting away from busy city life.
- 2 London attracts tourists all year round, so it's difficult to say when out of \_\_\_\_\_ is, really.
- 3 Backpacking around the world just doesn't \_\_\_\_\_ to me anymore. I'm too old now.
- 4 Camping in the mountains certainly took me out of my comfort \_\_\_\_\_. I'm more used to comfortable hotels!
- 5 One of the best ways to discover a new city is to abandon the guidebook and just \_\_\_\_\_ around the streets.

6 Read the dialogue between two friends. Put the underlined words into the correct order.

- Hitoshi** Hi, Elif, how are you?
- Elif** Hi! Well, 1 guess / who / never / you'll \_\_\_\_\_ called me last night. Dilek!
- Hitoshi** 2kidding / you / you're / aren't ! \_\_\_\_\_
- Elif** No, seriously. I almost dropped the phone when I heard her voice.
- Hitoshi** 3 not / I'm / surprised / to \_\_\_\_\_ hear that. I mean, you really weren't expecting to hear from her again, were you? So what did she say?
- Elif** Well, she wanted to apologize for her recent behaviour and have a chat about what had happened.
- Hitoshi** 4 were / you / I / bet / pleased \_\_\_\_\_ about that.
- Elif** Yes, I was, actually. After all, we've been friends for longer than I can remember. It was good to get it all sorted out. 5 meeting / we / up / ended \_\_\_\_\_ for coffee in that new place on the High Street.
- Hitoshi** I'm so glad it all worked out and that you're friends again!

7 Complete the blog entry with the correct word.

Today was day one of a holiday with a difference. I really felt the need to <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ from the 9–5 routine back home in London, so here I am in Italy. I'm here to do a week-long cookery course. It's something I'd been thinking about for ages, but never got round to doing. I love everything about Italy; the food, the climate, the <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ – so much history to absorb. The <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ along the coastal routes is absolutely stunning, too. And not only will I learn how to cook lots of wonderful Mediterranean food, I'll have the added <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ of being able to practise my language skills. Anyway, I start tomorrow and I can't wait. I'm a bit <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ about my pasta-making skills, but hopefully it will work out fine. Watch this space for an update!

scenery  
culture  
anxious  
escape  
benefit

8 Match 1–5 to A–F to make complete sentences. There is one letter that you don't need.

- 1 Graeme was sure he'd made a complete mess of his maths exam,
- 2 Camping in a storm overnight in the middle of the forest wasn't a good idea
- 3 As the players lined up to take the penalty kicks,
- 4 When Henri came out of the train station all the streets looked the same,
- 5 Jane and her friend have both cheered up a bit now,

- A because we were all petrified.  
B but they were feeling rather down about things earlier on.  
C and he felt very relieved about that.  
D so he was delighted to find out that he'd passed.  
E the atmosphere in the stadium was tense.  
F so he felt completely disorientated.

9 Replace the words in bold in each sentence with the equivalent in British English.

*EXAMPLE: There wasn't any room in the **parking lot**. car park*

- 1 We put our **garbage** out every night to prevent bad smells in the kitchen.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Luckily our car has a huge **trunk**, so all our stuff could easily fit in.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Millions of commuters use the **subway** each day to get around the city.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4 I ran out of **gas** while I was driving on the **freeway** earlier today. It was so embarrassing!  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5 Hahn was furious when she arrived at her destination and realized that the airline had lost her **baggage**. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 The British are well known for forming a **line** in shops or getting on public transport.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 7 We used to live in **downtown** Chicago, but we moved out to the suburbs last year.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8 When I was a child all our family **vacations** were spent in a large **travel trailer** near the sea.  
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