

Listening

1 Track 5 Listen and tick the correct answer.

1 What time does Jim leave home?

9.15

8.15

7.00

2 What kind of film do they decide to see?

American

action

drama

3 What do you have to wear to the Trattoria?

jacket

tie

sweater

4 How long does it take to go to Prague?

5 days

3 days

2 days

5 What's her brother wearing?

jeans

trainers

suit

6 Where did the woman go on holiday?

Florida

Miami

Tenerife

Vocabulary and Grammar

2 Write the correct word next to the definition.

1 It's very hot in this place. d e s e r t

2 There are thousands of trees. j _____

3 You can buy things here. m _____

4 You can often swim here. I _____

5 People like climbing this. m _____

6 It's smaller than a town. v _____

3 Add one word from the box to each group.

| | | | | | |
|------|-----|-------|------|---------|-------|
| coat | van | green | slim | musical | worse |
|------|-----|-------|------|---------|-------|

1 socks skirt dress _____

2 tall short overweight _____

3 helicopter tram lorry _____

4 faster harder better _____

5 romantic horror sci-fi _____

6 convenient polluting healthy _____

4 Complete the sentences with the correct preposition.

1 You can't get off the bus until it stops.

2 Diane's on the phone. She's chatting to her sister.

3 She always takes photos of buildings.

4 I'm waiting for a tram. It's late.

5 Eddie's lying in the bed and reading a magazine about sport.

6 We looked at her holiday photos for three hours last night.

7 Getting on a plane is the most exciting thing in the world.

5 Complete the phone call with the present simple or continuous.

A: Hi, Jon. Where ¹ are you (you / be)?

B: New York!

A: What ² is (you / do) there?

B: I ³ am visiting (visit) my friend Lucy. She ⁴ is working (work) here.

A: ⁵ Does (she / live) in New York?

B: Yes, she ⁶ is working (work) for a magazine.

A: Great. ⁷ Are (you / have) a good time?

B: Yes. It's her birthday. We ⁸ are sitting (sit) in a restaurant and ⁹ are looking (look) at Central Park through the window.

A: ¹⁰ Are (drink) champagne?

B: Yes, of course. And we ¹¹ are eating (eat) American steak.

A: Bring some home for me!\

6 Underline the correct alternative.

- 1 The population of the world is bigger / *biggest* than it was ten years ago.
- 2 Large cities are *most polluted* / *more polluted than* they were in the past.
- 3 Travelling by bus is *cheapest* / *cheaper* than travelling by plane.
- 4 In some African countries, there is *less* / *the most* water than before.
- 5 The cheetah is one of the *more faster* / *fastest* animals in the world.
- 6 The Amazon River is *longer* / *most long* than the Nile.
- 7 The streets are *noisy* / *noisier* than before because there's *more* / *less* traffic.
- 8 What's the *more* / *most* beautiful place you've ever seen?
- 9 Junk food is the *least healthy* / *less healthier* thing you can eat.
- 10 Sea levels are getting *higher* / *more highest* because the ice is melting fast.

7 Correct one mistake in each sentence.

- 1 She lives in the New York City.

She lives in New York City.

- 2 It's the more popular club in the city.

- 3 I'm an actor. I'm usually working in the evenings.

- 4 You can't to drive on the right in Britain.

- 5 He writes an email at the moment.

- 6 She's the most friendlier girl here.

- 7 You can't pay – entry is free.

8 It's the worstest café in our town.

8 Complete the text with the correct answer: a), b) or c).

I recommend living in ¹ ____ smaller university cities. They're usually ² ____ and friendlier than large cities like Manchester. I was born ³ ____ Cambridge, went to university in Oxford and now I ⁴ ____ in Brighton – so I know quite ⁵ ____ about university towns. Cambridge is ⁶ ____ beautiful place but you have to have a car. It's a long way from ⁷ ____ other cities. Oxford is bigger and has ⁸ ____ transport system. Buses go to London every 15 minutes so you ⁹ ____ book a ticket. Brighton is the best for music and nightlife. You ¹⁰ ____ great restaurants and clubs there. And it's by ¹¹ ____ sea.

| | | |
|-------------------|-------------|------------------|
| 1 a) the | b) a | c) – |
| 2 a) the quieter | b) quieter | c) most quiet |
| 3 a) in the | b) in | c) at |
| 4 a) work | b) working | c) worked |
| 5 a) the lot | b) a lot | c) much |
| 6 a) the most | b) more | c) the more |
| 7 a) the | b) – | c) an |
| 8 a) a better | b) better | c) best |
| 9 a) have to | b) has to | c) don't have to |
| 10 a) are finding | b) can find | c) finds |
| 11 a) the | b) a | c) – |

Reading

9 Put sentences a)–e) in the correct places 1–5 in the article.

The holiday of a lifetime

The Trans-Siberian Railway journey is one of the most amazing train journeys in the world.¹ d. It starts in Moscow and finishes in Vladivostock, on Russia's Pacific Coast, 6,500 miles (10,500 kilometres) away. You travel from Europe into Asia, go through seven time zones and pass by 87 towns and cities.

² _____. But it isn't a good idea. The train stops at thirteen different stations and there's so much to see. First of all, you should go to Lake Baikal, the world's largest fresh water lake. ³ _____. And you really have to visit Yekaterinburg, where the last Tsar of Russia and his family died in 1918. ⁴ _____.

The train is very comfortable with two or four-bed compartments. The best time to travel is in the spring or autumn because the weather is better then. ⁵ _____. Or you can take a two-week guided tour from London for about £7,000. Have a great trip!

- a) This all makes the trip more expensive, but also much more interesting and exciting.
- b) The cheapest ticket is around £300.
- c) Then there's the city of Novosibirsk, the capital of Siberia, with one and a half million people.
- ~~d) It is not only one of the most famous railways in the world but it is also the longest.~~
- e) If you don't stop anywhere on the way, you can get to Vladivostock in six days.

10 Read the article again. Write true (T) or false (F) for sentences 1–8.

- 1 The Trans-Siberian Railway is Russian. T
- 2 Vladivostok is by the sea. _____
- 3 The train stops at 87 stations. _____
- 4 The best way to travel is to go non-stop. _____
- 5 Novosibirsk isn't very big. _____
- 6 It's better to stop and visit different places on the journey. _____
- 7 It's a good idea to do the train journey in summer. _____
- 8 It's cheaper to take a guided tour. _____

Communication

11 Complete the conversation with words from the box.

| | | | | | | | |
|---------|-----------|------|-----------|----|----------|--------------|-------|
| looking | expensive | best | recommend | or | terrible | younger than | shirt |
| there's | cheaper | | | | | | |

A: Excuse me. I'm ¹ looking for a men's clothes shop. Can you ² _____ one?

B: Yes, of course. There are one ³ _____ two nice ones here in Midtown.

A: Great. You see, I need a new ⁴ _____. I lost my luggage and I have to buy some clean clothes.

B: Oh, that's ⁵ _____. Well, ⁶ _____ Styles in South Street – or Ben's in King Square. They're both good.

A: Which do you think is the ⁷ _____?

B: Well, Styles is more ⁸ _____ but their clothes are the best quality.

A: Do they sell modern clothes?

B: Um, no, not really. I think you'd like Ben's more. It's a bit trendier – and ⁹ _____. It's more popular with ¹⁰ _____ people.

A: That sounds good. Is it near here?

B: Yes. Go straight on, turn left, ¹¹ _____ second right.

A: Thank you very much.

Writing

12 Write a description of a town or city you know. Use the prompts below. Write 50–75 words.

- *General information, e.g. where it is, how big it is*
- *Places of interest / famous people & buildings*
- *Typical food / dance / music / etc*
- *Your opinion of it*

