

## 11A Exercises

a Complete the sentences with an adverb.

- 1 The French cook perfect meals.  
They cook perfectly.
- 2 The Germans are careful drivers.  
They drive \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 The British are very polite.  
They speak very \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 The Brazilians are good at football.  
They play football \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 The Japanese are very hard workers.  
They work very \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 The Canadians eat healthy food.  
They eat \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 The Swedish speak beautiful English.  
They speak English \_\_\_\_\_.

b Circle the correct word.

- 1 My brother dresses **casual** / **casually**.
- 2 Frank cooks **real** / **really** well.
- 3 It's **easy** / **easily** to ride a bike.
- 4 They walked **quick** / **quickly** to the railway station.
- 5 He's very **quiet** / **quietly**. He never says anything!
- 6 Elena's pizzas are **incredible** / **incredibly**.
- 7 My French is very **bad** / **badly**.
- 8 Can you speak more **slow** / **slowly**?
- 9 Mark speaks English **good** / **well**.
- 10 She eats **unhealthily** / **unhealthy**.
- 11 They have **real** / **really** stressful jobs.

Make adverbs from the adjectives and complete the sentences.

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careful good easy hard healthy incredible perfect quiet

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In the ideal city...

- 1 ...car drivers drive carefully.
- 2 ...workers work \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 ...families eat \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 ...people speak foreign languages \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 ...you can travel around \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 ...people talk \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 ...everybody treats tourists \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8 ...everything is \_\_\_\_\_ cheap.

**a** Read the text. Match the headings A–D to the paragraphs.

- A The Polish way of life
- B Feeling at home abroad
- C My first impressions
- D Not what I expected

# First impressions of Warsaw

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Danny MacIntyre, from Scotland, came to Poland for the first time seven years ago. He now lives in Warsaw where he runs a small media company.

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You always remember your first impressions of a new country. When I first came to Warsaw, I didn't know much about Poland at all. I didn't know anything about the culture. I didn't think the food was going to be very exciting, and I expected the weather to be similar to Scotland – maybe even a bit colder! But when I got there, I discovered how wrong I was.

2 \_\_\_\_\_

It was summer, and it was hot! In fact, the temperature was over 30 degrees! My first impression was that Warsaw was more beautiful than I expected. I spent a lot of time just walking around looking at the incredible architecture. I felt that the city had wonderful atmosphere and lots of energy.

3 \_\_\_\_\_

Polish people are very friendly. Most people can speak a bit of English and many speak it very well. I am trying to learn Polish, but it is very difficult. Fortunately, people don't mind when I make mistakes! Polish people are very hospitable, and they love to socialize – get together, eat, drink, and talk. Parties often don't finish until early the next morning. I am now married to a Polish woman. At our wedding, our guests didn't leave until 5.00 a.m. the next morning!

4 \_\_\_\_\_

Poland is a great place to live. It has everything – friendly people; cheap travel; delicious food; the summers are hot; and there's great skiing in the winter. There are mountains, lakes, and beaches; beautiful cities and fascinating culture. I still love Scotland, but Poland feels like home now.

**b** Complete the sentences with words in the box.

atmosphere culture socializing fascinating hospitality  
impressions architecture expect

- 1 Danny's first \_\_\_\_\_ of Warsaw are very memorable.
- 2 Before he got to Poland, Danny didn't know much about Polish \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 He didn't \_\_\_\_\_ the city to be so beautiful.
- 4 He was very impressed by the \_\_\_\_\_ in Warsaw.
- 5 He also liked the energy and \_\_\_\_\_ of the city.
- 6 The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Polish people is well known.
- 7 Polish people like \_\_\_\_\_ with their family and friends.
- 8 Danny finds the Polish culture \_\_\_\_\_.

## 5 LISTENING

**Checker** Listen to two people talking about where they live.  
Answer the questions.

**Speaker 1 Brno, Czech Republic**

- 1 Why is the city so quiet and empty at the weekend?
- 2 Where are there lots of shops?
- 3 How are they different from the ones in the main shopping areas?



**Speaker 2 Reykjavik, Iceland**

- 4 When do people go to swimming pools and hot tubs?
- 5 What are there very few of in the Icelandic countryside?
- 6 How many people are there...? in Reykjavik in the second-biggest city
- 7 What kind of things do Icelandic people make?



## USEFUL WORDS AND PHRASES

Learn these words and phrases.

a foreigner /ə 'fɔːrənə/

myth /mɪθ/

subtitles /sʌbtʌtlz/

incredible /ɪn'kredəbl/

incredibly /ɪn'kredəblɪ/

dress (well) /dres/

a strong accent /ə strɒŋ 'æksent/

first impressions /fɜːst ɪm'preʃnz/

get dark /get 'dɑːk/

in general /ɪn 'dʒenrəl/

lock (your) doors /lɒk 'dɔːz/