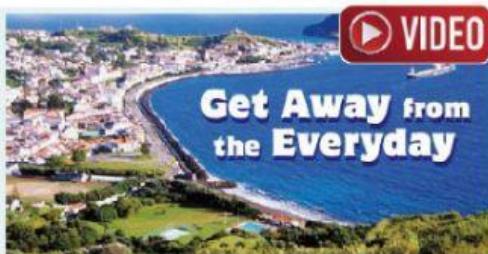


Reading

1 a) Read the text and fill in the missing sentences (A-E). One sentence is extra. 



Discover a hidden paradise in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean with Azores Tours! The Azores are a group of nine islands 1,360 km off the coast of Portugal. 1) ... The tallest is Mount Pico at 2,351 metres.

History

The Portuguese discovered the Azores 600 years ago. 2) ... Later, French and Spanish people also arrived, but Portuguese is still the main language of the islands. All of our Azores Tours representatives speak both Portuguese and English, though, so communication is never a problem when you're with us!

Activities

There is so much to do in the Azores from sunbathing on the sandy beaches of Santa Maria to hiking along the 10 Volcanoes Trail. Why not learn to scuba dive on the Rosais Reef? You can see a wide variety of fish, eels and sea turtles, and perhaps come face-to-face with a whale shark! 3) ... There are lizards, frogs and beautiful butterflies. Birdwatchers can see nearly 400 kinds of birds, 30 of which live permanently in the Azores, and two of which don't live anywhere else on Earth.

Getting Here

The only way to reach the Azores from the UK is by plane from Gatwick Airport to Ponta Delgada. 4) ... Tourists can use the islands' ferry service, or rent their own private boat with a captain.

For more information or to book a holiday, contact us at info@azorestours.co.uk or call 020 6397 582.

b) Answer the questions.

- 1 What language do most people in the Azores speak?
- 2 How many kinds of bird only live in the Azores?
- 3 How can people travel between the islands?

(3x4=12)

- A And the wildlife on land is just as fascinating.
- B Other popular activities include horse riding, kayaking and whale watching.
- C All the islands have got volcanoes on them.
- D There is an airport on each island, but most people travel between the islands by boat.
- E People from Portugal began living there in the 1430s.

(4x3=12)

(3x4=12)

Listening

2 1.35 You are going to hear a conversation between two friends. For questions 1-5, choose the correct answer (A, B or C).

- 1 Kevin spent his summer in
A South Africa. B Egypt. C Kenya.
- 2 What was the most difficult part of Kevin's job?
A feeding the cubs
B bathing the cubs
C playing with the cubs
- 3 Kevin didn't work on
A Saturdays and Sundays.
B Mondays and Fridays.
C Wednesdays.
- 4 What did Kevin do with the big cats?
A watched them
B took photographs of them
C chose names for them
- 5 Amy didn't enjoy her holiday because
A the weather was bad.
B she was ill.
C her dad was at work.

(5x3=15)

Vocabulary

4 Choose the correct word.

- 1 We **rented/let** a cottage for our holiday.
- 2 Jeff is very **proud/amazed** to take part in the marathon.
- 3 They faced **tough/brave** conditions during the race.
- 4 The temperature **dropped/dragged** to -27°C.

(4x2=8)

5 Complete the sentences. Use: *comes, set off, faced, explored*.

- 1 What ... to mind when you look at this?
- 2 They ... the dark caves using torches.
- 3 They ... for the lake early in the morning.
- 4 He ... a lot of problems while hiking.

(4x2=8)

Grammar

6 Complete the gaps with the *present perfect, past simple or present perfect continuous* of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 Fred ... (**apply**) for three jobs this morning.
- 2 My cousin ... (**learn**) French for seven years.
- 3 Jack ... (**deliver**) food to the homeless since 10 o'clock this morning.
- 4 The children ... (**raise**) £500 so far.
- 5 Sue ... (**go**) to Ireland last month.
- 6 ... (**you/ever/go**) to Italy?
- 7 He ... (**work**) on the computer all morning.
- 8 They ... (**not/leave**) yet.

(8x2=16)

Everyday English

3 Complete with: *It sounds like you had a great time – I felt so sad – I'll always remember that moment – I had the time of my life*

- 1 A: How was your gap year in India?
B: Fantastic! ... !
- 2 A: Watching the baby elephant take its first steps was amazing!
B: Yes,
- 3 A: Volunteering in Brazil was great!
B:
- 4 A: Did you have a good time?
B: Yes, but ... when I had to leave.

(4x2=8)

Grammar in Focus

(Units 1-3)

Complete the correct form of the words in brackets or choose the correct word.

Hello readers and welcome to another issue of *Holiday Time*, the magazine that 1) ... (**provide**) readers with holiday ideas for two decades. Last week, our reporter Jim Hollins 2) ... (**travel**) to Norway and while he 3) ... (**stay**) in the town of Tromsø, he 4) ... (**see**) the Northern Lights. You can find his article on page 52 – the photos are so beautiful that you'll want to 5) **book/offer** a holiday there right away!

7 Choose the correct item.

- 1 Andrew just found **about/out** that he got the summer job.
- 2 Kevin applied **for/with** a post at the company.
- 3 We checked **at/in** to the hotel last night.
- 4 Beth had to put **off/up** her holiday.

(4x1=4)