

Vocabulary and grammar review Unit 1

Vocabulary

1 Complete the sentences below with words and phrases from the box.

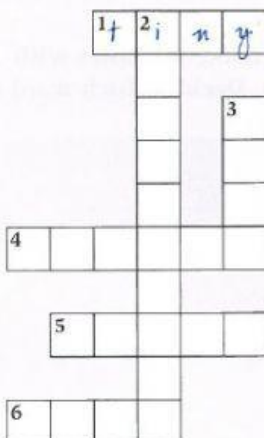
city centre country mountains outskirts sea suburbs

- Feodor is keen on climbing and he would love to live in the mountains.
- Khaled lives in the, just near the main square and next to the central station.
- Leila takes a bus to get to college from her home on the of the city.
- Hua was born and brought up in the, surrounded by fields and farms.
- I don't really live in the city; I live in a village nearby, so I suppose I live in the
- Piau's father was a fisherman, so he has always lived by the

2 Match the phrases on the left (1-8) with phrases on the right (a-h) which express similar ideas.

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| 1 crowded streets | a Everyone is in a rush. |
| 2 fast public transport | b The local population is very welcoming. |
| 3 friendly inhabitants | c The pavements are full of people. |
| 4 lots to do | d quiet way of life |
| 5 people in a hurry | e is known for |
| 6 spectacular scenery | f There are wonderful views from the hotel. |
| 7 has a reputation for | g The underground will take you rapidly where you want to go. |
| 8 a relaxed lifestyle | h There are plenty of interesting places to visit. |

3 Complete the sentences using adjectives that fit the crossword grid.



- Students in this city tend to share tiny flats, so their living conditions are very crowded.
- Fatma comes from a large, city with lots of factories and smoke.
- Neighbours who live by the main road often complain about the traffic noise.
- It's such a village that it attracts plenty of tourists.
- Raul's house is in a suburb with a low crime rate.
- Chen lives on the 15th floor of a apartment block.

Grammar

4 Complete these sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets: present simple or present continuous.

- The number of medical students at my university is rising (rise).
- Sayed (enjoy) playing football when he (have) time.
- Walid (live) in Qatar, where he was born, but he (work) in Dubai almost every day.
- Nowadays, more and more people (leave) the villages to work in the city.
- Katya (study) English because she (want) to be a flight attendant.
- People's reading habits (change) because they (read) more on the Internet and fewer books.

Vocabulary and grammar review Unit 2

Vocabulary

1 Complete the sentences below with the words in the box.

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- 1 I can swim quite well.
- 2 I'd like to be to fly a plane.
- 3 I don't how to cook well.
- 4 I want to to paint.
- 5 Once you've learned, you never forget to ride a bicycle.

2 Match the words in *italics* in sentences 1–8 with their definitions (a–h).

- 1 His friends found his behaviour *unacceptable*.
- 2 The examiners were *satisfied* that he had a good knowledge of the subject.
- 3 Scientists decided to *re-examine* the evidence, as it did not completely match their theory.
- 4 The Moon approaches *exceptionally* close to the Earth every 19 years.
- 5 Although he's highly intelligent, his behaviour is *inexplicable*.
- 6 The colours were *indistinguishable* at such a great distance.
- 7 It was impossible to *quantify* how many people used the new service.
- 8 Paganini was perhaps the best *violinist* of all time.

- a impossible to see as different or separate
- b look again very carefully, especially to try to discover something
- c measure the amount of something
- d pleased because something happened in the way that they wanted
- e so strange or unusual that you cannot understand or explain it
- f someone who plays a violin
- ~~g too bad to be allowed to continue~~
- h very unusually

Grammar

3 Complete these sentences with the past simple of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 The town council built (build) a bridge across the river to the island.
- 2 Mahfouz (write) more than 15 books during his life.
- 3 In my country, many people (stop) smoking when the price of cigarettes (go) up.
- 4 In this region, most people (speak) the local language a hundred years ago.
- 5 In 2004, the company (develop) a new technique using digital technology.
- 6 The change (happen) because more immigrants (arrive) in the country.
- 7 The storm which (occur) at the end of January (destroy) several houses.
- 8 The number of students in higher education (rise) until 2003 and then (fall) the following year.

4 Complete these sentences with *also*, *and*, *but* or *however*.

- 1 The journey was long and complicated.
- 2 Few students look forward to doing exams, they realise they are necessary.
- 3 Many people travel to see new places. They want to experience other cultures.
- 4 Marco Polo travelled to Persia then he travelled to China.
- 5 Visitors to this region are often surprised that the inhabitants are poor happy.
- 6 Working with children can be very challenging., it can be very satisfying as well.