Vocabulary and grammar review **Unit 1**

Vocabulary

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

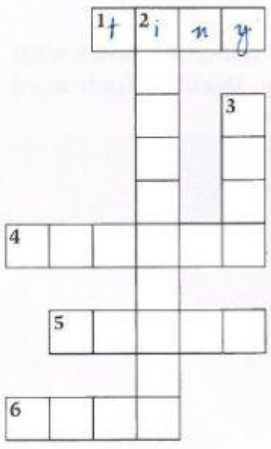
city centre	country	~~mountains~~	outskirts	sea	suburbs

1 Feodor is keen on climbing and he would love to live in the mountains.
2 Khaled lives in the ..... , just near the main square and next to the central station.
3 Leila takes a bus to get to college from her home on the ..... of the city.
4 Hua was born and brought up in the ..... , surrounded by fields and farms.
5 I don't really live in the city; I live in a village nearby, so I suppose I live in the ..... .
6 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.

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.



1 Students in this city tend to share tiny flats, so their living conditions are very crowded.
2 Fatma comes from a large, ... city with lots of factories and smoke.
3 Neighbours who live by the ..... main road often complain about the traffic noise.
4 It's such a ..... village that it attracts plenty of tourists.
5 Raul's house is in a ..... suburb with a low crime rate.
6 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.

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

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Vocabulary and grammar review **Unit 2**

Vocabulary

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

able	can	how	know	learn

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.* g
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.

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