

# UNIT 9

# CITIES OF THE WORLD

## A. PHONETICS

### I. Write the sound /a/ or /i/ of the underlined letter.

- |                      |                     |                        |
|----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 1. exciting      / / | 6. writer      / /  | 11. design      / /    |
| 2. city      / /     | 7. Britain      / / | 12. symbol      / /    |
| 3. Sydney      / /   | 8. life      / /    | 13. winter      / /    |
| 4. twice      / /    | 9. visit      / /   | 14. architect      / / |
| 5. sky      / /      | 10. ice      / /    | 15. written      / /   |

### II. Write the words in the correct part of the table.

home    hot    photo    modern    continent    most    postcard  
 historic    hotel    popular    phone    holiday

/əʊ/	/ɒ/
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

### III. Circle the one with the different vowel sound.

- |           |       |         |      |
|-----------|-------|---------|------|
| 1. both   | cloth | clothes | road |
| 2. prize  | fight | litter  | bike |
| 3. town   | snow  | show    | bowl |
| 4. lift   | fit   | tick    | lion |
| 5. symbol | cycle | physics | gym  |
| 6. old    | stone | hope    | come |

## B. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

### I. Fill in each blank to find names of parts of the body.

the USA    Cuba    France    Nigeria    Canada    Egypt    Japan    Mexico    Singapore  
 Columbia    Britain    Brazil    Sweden    Kenya    Argentina    SouthKorea    Spain  
 Vietnam    South Africa    Peru

North America	South America	Europe	Africa	Asia
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

### II. Label the landmarks and match them with the countries.

Sydney Opera House	Buckingham Palace	The Statue of Liberty
Eiffel Tower	Tower of Pisa	Mount Fuji
	Great Pyramid	One Pillar Pagoda



1. \_\_\_\_\_

♦ Italy



2. \_\_\_\_\_

♦ France



3. \_\_\_\_\_

♦ USA



4. \_\_\_\_\_

♦ Japan



5. \_\_\_\_\_

♦ Egypt



6. \_\_\_\_\_

♦ Vietnam



7. \_\_\_\_\_

♦ Australia



8. \_\_\_\_\_

♦ England

### III. Choose the word that is opposite in meaning to the underlined word.

- Rio de Janeiro is an exciting city.  
a. interesting      b. dangerous      c. boring      d. expensive
- The beaches in Sydney are clean and beautiful.  
a. clear      b. dirty      c. famous      d. fresh
- It's dangerous to walk around the city at night.  
a. safe      b. exciting      c. cold      d. popular
- The dish is delicious with cheese.  
a. tasty      b. pleasant      c. fatty      d. awful
- York is a historic city in North Yorkshire.

- a. exciting                      b. modern                      c. famous                      d. quiet
6. The streets were very noisy throughout the night.  
a. crowded                      b. busy                      c. quiet                      d. empty
7. That modern building is so ugly!  
a. big                      b. impressive                      c. unattractive                      d. beautiful
8. We didn't go camping last weekend. The weather was awful.  
a. unpleasant                      b. nice                      c. bad                      d. terrible

**IV. Write the adjectives in the correct column. Some can go more than one column.**

modern   new   huge   beautiful   tall   big   quiet   polluted   dangerous awful   sunny   ugly   historic   polluted   windy   small   noisy exciting   cold   safe   wet									
Weather			Building			City			

**V. Complete the sentences with the correct superlative form of the adjectives in the box.**

difficult   beautiful   delicious   interesting   valuable   boring   polluted   amazing

- Prague is \_\_\_\_\_ city I've ever seen.
- What's \_\_\_\_\_ book you've ever read? - *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*. I really love it!
- The Grand Canyon is \_\_\_\_\_ sight I've ever seen.
- Many climbers consider K2 is \_\_\_\_\_ mountain to climb, not Mount Everest.
- That was \_\_\_\_\_ movie I've ever seen. I almost walked out in the middle.
- Please give me your recipe. That is \_\_\_\_\_ cake I've ever eaten.
- Fresh air doesn't exist in New Delhi at the moment. It is \_\_\_\_\_ city on Earth right now.
- That is \_\_\_\_\_ painting in the art gallery. It's worth a million dollars.

**VI. Complete the passage. Use the superlative of the words in brackets.**

Tokyo has a population of 35 million people. It is the (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (large) city in the world. It is also one of the (2) \_\_\_\_\_ (exciting). Everything moves fast there. It has one of the (3) \_\_\_\_\_ (big) and (4) \_\_\_\_\_ (busy) railway systems in the world. Every day, 11 million commuters use it to get to and from work. People earn the (5) \_\_\_\_\_ (high) salaries, and they spend the (6) \_\_\_\_\_ (much) money. They wear the (7) \_\_\_\_\_ (late) fashions and have the (8) \_\_\_\_\_ (up-to-date) phones. It is the world's (9) \_\_\_\_\_ (expensive) city.

The (10) \_\_\_\_\_ (beautiful) time of year to visit Tokyo is spring, when the famous cherry blossom is on the trees.

**VII. Write the comparative or superlative of the adjectives in brackets.**

- It's today \_\_\_\_\_ than it was yesterday. (warm)
- Rio de Janeiro is one of \_\_\_\_\_ cities in the world. (beautiful)



3. The second question was \_\_\_\_\_ than the first one. (difficult)
4. Australia is \_\_\_\_\_ continent on Earth. (old)
5. China is \_\_\_\_\_ country in the world. (populated)
6. My exam results were \_\_\_\_\_ than I expected. (bad)
7. Ms. Nicholson is \_\_\_\_\_ teacher I've ever known. (good)
8. The city is \_\_\_\_\_ than it used to be. (crowded)
9. Tokyo is still the world's \_\_\_\_\_ city with 37 million inhabitants. (large)
10. Cool Blue Villa is one of \_\_\_\_\_ houses ever built. (modern)

**VIII. Complete the sentences with the present perfect form (positive or negative) of the verbs in brackets.**

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ (have) four exams so far this month.
2. Mr Tan \_\_\_\_\_ (teach) in this school for over ten years.
3. You \_\_\_\_\_ (not stop) talking since you got here!
4. Scientists \_\_\_\_\_ (find) more than 30 unknown insects.
5. She \_\_\_\_\_ (not see) Nathan since he left the town.
6. Someone \_\_\_\_\_ (break) a window in our classroom.
7. We \_\_\_\_\_ (not decide) what to get Mark for his birthday yet.
8. I \_\_\_\_\_ (already/ finish) my homework. It was easy!
9. Jorge \_\_\_\_\_ (not play) tennis since his injury.
10. My parents \_\_\_\_\_ (be) to Australia three times.

**IX. Put the words in order to make a question. Then write a short answer.**

1. homework/ you/ have/ your/ finished? (yes)

\_\_\_\_\_

2. your/ to/ been/ ever/ father/ has/ London? (no)

\_\_\_\_\_

3. done/ this/ you/ exercise/ have/ before? (no)

\_\_\_\_\_

4. had/ Jenny/ yet/ has/ lunch/ her? (yes)

\_\_\_\_\_

5. the/ ever/ story/ heard/ before/ have/ they? (no)

\_\_\_\_\_

6. rained/ has/ today/ it/ a lot? (yes)

\_\_\_\_\_

7. at/ you/ have/ seen/ a/ the/ play/ theatre? (no)

\_\_\_\_\_

8. been/ they/ friends/ have/ ten/ for/ years? (yes)

\_\_\_\_\_

**X. Complete the sentences with the correct tense of the verbs in brackets. Use the past simple or the present perfect tenses.**

1. I'm really hungry. I \_\_\_\_\_ (not have) lunch yet.
2. We \_\_\_\_\_ (not have) a maths class last week.

3. Keith's not home now. He \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the beach this weekend.
4. My family \_\_\_\_\_ (move) to Canada in 2010.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ you ever \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) San Adarino?
6. He \_\_\_\_\_ (live) in London for two years when he was a student.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Jenny \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the dentist yesterday?
8. They \_\_\_\_\_ (work) in this company since 2001.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (see) Joana recently?
10. Jim \_\_\_\_\_ (break) his leg in a skiing accident two years ago.

**XI. Change the following sentences into exclamatory sentences, using 'What'.**

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|--|---|-----------------------------|
| 1. He is a very good student.          | → | <u>What a good student?</u> |
| 2. The weather is so awful.            | → | _____                       |
| 3. The city is very beautiful.         | → | _____                       |
| 4. The buildings are so attractive.    | → | _____                       |
| 5. The cake is so delicious.           | → | _____                       |
| 6. The flowers are very lovely.        | → | _____                       |
| 7. The coffee is so strong.            | → | _____                       |
| 8. The Maths lesson is so interesting. | → | _____                       |

**C. SPEAKING**

**I. Complete the dialogue with the sentences from the box.**

What did you see?      Did you have fun?      Are you having a good time?  
 Did you visit any famous places?      What did you do yesterday?

- Beth: Hi Dad!
- Dad: Hi Beth. (1) \_\_\_\_\_
- Beth: Yes, thanks. This holiday isn't long enough!
- Dad: (2) \_\_\_\_\_
- Beth: We were in London. I saw the River Thames and I went to a souvenir shop.
- Dad: (3) \_\_\_\_\_
- Beth: Yes, we visited the Natural History Museum. It's the best museum in London!
- Dad: (4) \_\_\_\_\_
- Beth: A diplodocus. It was the tallest dinosaur in the world – it was bigger than three buses!
- Dad: (5) \_\_\_\_\_
- Beth: Yes, I did and Ben did too!

**II. Rearrange the sentences to make a conversation.**

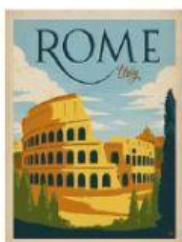
- \_\_\_\_\_ Really? Do you know its history?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Yes, you're right. It is a very beautiful city. I like it very much.
- \_\_\_\_\_ What's the height?
- 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Where are you from, Nick?
- \_\_\_\_\_ What's interesting in your country?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Great!

- \_\_\_\_\_ There are a lot of places which tourists like to visit. But I like CN Tower. It is one of the tallest buildings in the world.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I'm from Toronto.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Yes, of course. It was completed in 1976 and it is used for TV and radio broadcasting.
- \_\_\_\_\_ It is 553 meters high.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I heard it is a very big city, isn't it?

#### D. READING

- I. Fill in each gap with a word from the box.
- I. Complete the passage with the words from the box.

most walking tourist ever explore must around sunny



Hi Steve,

Greetings from Rome! We arrived at 8:30 this morning and are staying in a lovely hotel in the city centre. It is near all the (1)\_\_\_\_\_ attractions. The weather is warm and (2)\_\_\_\_\_!

The city looks really amazing. We can't wait to (3)\_\_\_\_\_ everything! This afternoon, we are going to take a stroll (4)\_\_\_\_\_ the Centro Storico (Historic Center), which beautiful historic squares – Piazza Campo de' Fiori and Piazza Navona.

Tomorrow morning, we are going to visit Colosseum, the largest amphitheater (6)\_\_\_\_\_ built in Roman Empire, and then we are (7)\_\_\_\_\_ up the Palatine Hill. In the afternoon we are going to visit Pasta Museum. It's going to be a great weekend!

I (8)\_\_\_\_\_ go now. See you when I come back.

Love,

Army

- II. Read the text, then do the tasks.



Los Angeles, California is the most exciting city in the USA. It's got Hollywood, Disneyland, fantastic beaches and the LA Dodgers baseball team.

But LA wasn't always exciting. In 1900 it was smaller and quieter, and Hollywood was a small village. Then film studios arrived, and the village of Hollywood changed. Today it is part of LA, and Hollywood's 'Walk of Fame' is the most famous place in the city. It's got more than 2,000 stars on it!

It's always sunny in LA and there are lots of different attractions. You can go shopping on Sunset Boulevard (It's too expensive for me!), or you can surf on Venice Beach. There are theatres, museums, the biggest theme parks in the USA and the noisiest sports stadiums. LA is the best city in the world!

- A. Decide if the statements are true (T) or false (F).

1. LA is the world's most exciting city.
2. Hollywood used to be a small village.
3. The weather is good in LA.



4. The shops on Sunset Boulevard are cheap.
5. There are a lot of tourist attractions in LA.

**B. Answer the questions**

1. Where is Los Angeles?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. What is the most famous place in LA?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. How many stars are there on the Hollywood Walk of Fame?

\_\_\_\_\_

4. What is the weather like in LA?

\_\_\_\_\_

**E. WRITING**

- I. Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first one, using the word given.

1. I have never been to Sa Pa before. (ever)

This is the \_\_\_\_\_

2. The last time I saw him was in 2010. (seen)

I \_\_\_\_\_

3. She has never seen the more amazing sight. (most)

It's \_\_\_\_\_

4. The weather in Rio de Janeiro is hotter than in Sydney. (as)

The weather in Sydney \_\_\_\_\_

5. They moved to New York in 2004. (lived)

They \_\_\_\_\_

6. We haven't been to Hanoi for three years. (went)

The last time \_\_\_\_\_

7. No other tower in England is as famous as Big Ben. (the)

Big Ben \_\_\_\_\_

8. London is a lot older than New York. (modern)

New York \_\_\_\_\_

- II. Use the prompts to write this passage.

New York City/ exciting place. It/ biggest city/ the USA. It/ has/ most/ famous/ museums/and/ best/ restaurants and cafés/ the world! But wait/ minute, there/ another New York. Where/ it? It/ the UK! It/ smaller/ New York City, but the people/ friendlier!

**New York! New York!**

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## TEST FOR UNIT 9

### I. Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the others.

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|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1. a. <u>pr</u> ize    | b. <u>exc</u> ite   | c. <u>des</u> ign    | d. <u>cap</u> ital  |
| 2. a. <u>c</u> old     | b. <u>ph</u> oto    | c. <u>con</u> tinent | d. <u>pos</u> ter   |
| 3. a. <u>c</u> ity     | b. <u>cap</u> ital  | c. <u>n</u> ice      | d. <u>exc</u> ite   |
| 4. a. <u>des</u> igned | b. <u>rece</u> ived | c. <u>cyc</u> led    | d. <u>re</u> warded |
| 5. a. <u>tom</u> orrow | b. <u>to</u> wer    | c. <u>crow</u> d     | d. <u>ar</u> ound   |

### II. Read about the landmarks. Can you guess which landmark they are? Write the name of the landmarks.

Eiffel Tower	Taj Mahal	Great Wall of China	Empire state Building
Big Ben	Petronas Towers	Sydney Opera House	Angkor Wat

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|----------|--|
| 1. _____ | 200BC; protects borders; longest man made structure. Capital: Beijing  |
| 2. _____ | world's tallest twin buildings - 452 meters tall. There is a skybridge between the towers. Capital: Kuala Lumpur.          |
| 3. _____ | largest 4 sided clock. Symbol of the UK. Capital: London   |
| 4. _____ | 300 meters tall - 3 floors; tallest structure until 1930; most visited landmark in the world. Capital: Paris               |
| 5. _____ | NYC Skyscraper - 103 floors; from 1931 - 1970 world's tallest building. Capital: Washington, D.C.                          |
| 6. _____ | built of white marble; tomb built by emperor in memory of 3rd wife. Capital: New Delhi                                     |
| 7. _____ | 1150 AD completed; pictured on flag; largest religious monument in the world. Capital: Phnom Penh                          |
| 8. _____ | one of the most loved buildings in the world; performing arts center; supposed to represent a sail boat. Capital: Canberra |

### III. Circle the odd one out.

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|-----------------|-----------|--------------|----------------|
| 1. Mexico       | Asia      | South Africa | Australia      |
| 2. Amsterdam    | Stockholm | Sweden       | Rio de Janeiro |
| 3. sunny        | delicious | cloudy       | awful          |
| 4. Times Square | Big Ben   | Merlion      | Dickens        |
| 5. German       | American  | Italy        | English        |

### IV. Choose the best answer a, b, c or d to complete the sentence.

1. Manchester is famous \_\_\_\_\_ its football teams.  
a. in                      b. with                      c. for                      d. as
2. Oxford University was built \_\_\_\_\_ the 12th century.  
a. in                      b. of                      c. at                      d. on
3. The Golden Gate Bridge is San Francisco's most famous \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. building              b. monument              c. palace              d. landmark
4. The package includes a tour of Sydney's famous \_\_\_\_\_.