

UNIT 9

CITIES OF THE WORLD

A. PHONETICS

I. Write the sound /aɪ/ or /ɪ/ 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.

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



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.
 - interesting
 - dangerous
 - boring
 - expensive
- The beaches in Sydney are clean and beautiful.
 - clear
 - dirty
 - famous
 - fresh
- It's dangerous to walk around the city at night.
 - safe
 - exciting
 - cold
 - popular
- The dish is delicious with cheese.
 - tasty
 - pleasant
 - fatty
 - 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
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1. Prague is _____ city I've ever seen.
2. What's _____ book you've ever read? - *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*. I really love it!
3. The Grand Canyon is _____ sight I've ever seen.
4. Many climbers consider K2 is _____ mountain to climb, not Mount Everest.
5. That was _____ movie I've ever seen. I almost walked out in the middle.
6. Please give me your recipe. That is _____ cake I've ever eaten.
7. Fresh air doesn't exist in New Delhi at the moment. It is _____ city on Earth right now.
8. 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 here. 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.

1. It's today _____ than it was yesterday. (warm)
2. 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'.

1. He is a very good student. → What a good student!
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.

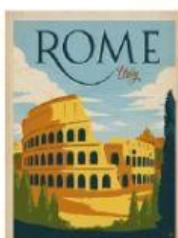
_____ I heard it is a very big city, isn't it?

D. READING

I. Fill in each gap with a word from the box.

II. 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!

TEST FOR UNIT 9

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

1. a. prize	b. excite	c. design	d. capital
2. a. cold	b. photo	c. continent	d. poster
3. a. city	b. capital	c. nice	d. excite
4. a. designed	b. received	c. cycled	d. rewarded
5. a. tomorrow	b. tower	c. crowd	d. around

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

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; mostvisited landmark in the world. Capital: Paris
5. _____	NYC Skyscraper - 103 floors; from 1931 - 1970 world'sstallest building. Capital: Washington, D.C.
6. _____	built of white marble; tomb built by emperor in memory of3rd wife. Capital: New Delhi
7. _____	1150 AD completed; pictured on flag; largest religiousmonument in the world. Capital: Phnom Penh
8. _____	one of the most loved buildings in the world; performing artscenter; supposed to represent a sail boat. Capital: Canberra

III. Circle the odd one out.

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.