This city is different, but very friendly

1 READING

a Read Roberto's blog and tick (✓) the correct answers.

1 Roberto and Ana are staying in …
- a ☐ a hotel in the centre of London.
- b ☐ a hostel near Heathrow Airport.
- c ☐ a hotel in Earl's Court.
- d ☐ a hostel near the centre of London.

2 On Sunday, Roberto and Ana …
- a ☐ had fi sh and chips for lunch.
- b ☐ spent all day at the British Museum.
- c ☐ went to the British Museum and Covent Garden.
- d ☐ thought the British Museum was boring.

SATURDAY

Ana and I got to London at 11:30 this morning. It was a very long flight from São Paulo. When we got off the plane, the first thing we noticed was the cold – six degrees! I'm glad I brought a warm coat! In São Paulo, it was 35 degrees when we left. Everything they say about Londoners is true! The people at the airport weren't very friendly and they couldn't understand our English. And we couldn't understand what they were saying. In the end, we took the underground from Heathrow Airport to our hostel in Earl's Court, near the centre of London. The hostel is full of young tourists from all over the world and everyone was very friendly and helpful. We were very tired, so we decided to sleep for a few hours. Ana's telling me to get ready to go and eat, so I have to finish now – more tomorrow.

SUNDAY

Ana and I had our first experience of British food last night. We went to a little café near the hostel. We decided to try fish and chips. It's a typical British dish and it was delicious with a hot cup of tea (with milk!). Today we visited the British Museum and Covent Garden. The British Museum is amazing – there are lots of interesting things to see. We spent two hours there and only saw a few of the rooms. We bought some sandwiches for lunch and then we went to Covent Garden market. There were lots of musicians and magicians in the street. We had a lovely afternoon and Ana took lots of photos. You can see them on Facebook.

b Read the blog again. Are the sentences true or false?

1 On Saturday, it was warmer in London than in São Paulo.
2 It was diffi cult for Roberto and Ana to understand the people at the airport.
3 When they got to the hostel, they went to bed.
4 They didn't enjoy their fi sh and chips.
5 They didn't see all the rooms in the British Museum. 6 They had lunch in a restaurant in Covent Garden.

2 WRITING SKILLS Linking words

a Underline the correct words to complete the sentences.

1 There was a long queue for the museum, *and* / *so* / *but* we decided to go to the market instead.
2 We didn't visit the Tower of London *because* / *so* / *but* the tickets were very expensive.
3 The hotel looked really nice, *because* / *and* / *but* they didn't have any free rooms that night.
4 Yesterday I visited Ellis Island *so* / *and* / *because* the Statue of Liberty.
5 There weren't any fl ights today *but* / *so* / *because* there was a snow storm.
6 *Because* / *When* / *So* we got to our hotel, I phoned my wife to wish her 'Happy Birthday'.
7 It started raining hard, *but* / *because* / *so* we didn't go to the mountains.
8 We wanted to go to the concert, *but* / *so* / *because* we couldn't get any tickets.

3 WRITING

a Read the notes. Write Maite's blog post about her holiday in New York.

Maite's blog: New York post (notes)

Monday, 25th January

Madrid: left 12:20
New York: arrived 14:30

Very tired – (why?)
Weather: very cold – minus 6 degrees!

People = (?)

Hotel = (?)

Dinner = (?)

LIVEWORKSHEETS