

Test Unit 2

Places in a town

Past simple or Past Continuous

1 Complete the text with the antonyms of the words in brackets.

From ghost town to popular town

When the 2010 Winter Olympic Games ended in Vancouver, Canada, the city was left with a sleepy and ¹ _____ (lively) Olympic Village. The buildings were ² _____ (crowded) and the streets were ³ _____ (clean). There were no shops or restaurants, so nobody wanted to live there. It became a very ⁴ _____ (popular) part of town.

Fast forward three years and the picture is completely different. With the opening of a new shopping centre and other services, the area is now full of people, especially young families. The buildings are ⁵ _____ (old) and ⁶ _____ (messy). There are many ⁷ _____ (narrow) streets winding around the village.

‘We love it here and the area is very ⁸ _____ (dangerous), so it’s a great place to bring up our children’, said one resident of the new Olympic Village.

2 Complete the people’s comments with the names of places in a town.

- 1 ‘Last week our class went to the _____ to see Picasso’s paintings.’
- 2 ‘I’m meeting my friends at the _____. We’re going to see the new Bond film.’
- 3 ‘Someone took my mum’s wallet, so we had to go to the _____ to report it.’
- 4 ‘My friend is acting in a play in the new _____ in our town.’
- 5 ‘My brother is studying law at a _____ in the USA. When I finish school, I want to do the same.’
- 6 ‘We waited for 30 minutes at the _____ and a taxi never arrived!’
- 7 ‘I’d love to go to a _____, but I’m too young at the moment. I think I would win a lot of money.’
- 8 ‘My dad is a doctor and he works at the _____ near my school.’

3 Put the words in exercise 2 into the correct category 1–4.

- 1 Education: _____
- 2 Services: _____, _____
- 3 Entertainment: _____, _____, _____, _____
- 4 Transport: _____

4 Complete the sentences with the correct words.

- 1 Our _____ allows us to sense taste.
- 2 The eyes allow us to _____ things.
- 3 When someone can't hear anything, they don't have a sense of _____.
- 4 We use our _____ to hear everything.
- 5 With our noses we can _____ things.
- 6 The skin allows us to experience the sense of _____.

5 Complete sentence b so that it has a similar meaning to sentence a. Use the words in brackets in the correct form and any other words that you may need.

- 1 a Parents want a good future for their children.
b Parents _____ a good future for their children. (hope)
- 2 a Wayne had lots of interesting experiences when he was travelling around the world.
b A lot of interesting things _____ Wayne when he was travelling around the world. (happen)
- 3 a A lot of places in Australia were named after places in Europe.
b A lot of places in Australia have their names _____ places in Europe. (borrow)
- 4 a It took 45 minutes for our food to arrive.
b We _____ our food for 45 minutes. (wait)

- 5 a You must be careful when you travel alone in the Outback!
b They _____ travelling alone in the Outback. (warn)
- 6 a Reading books and newspapers can teach us a lot about the world.
b We can _____ reading books and newspapers. (learn)

Grammar

6 Chose the correct answers.

- 1 Mr Seiji Kaya **began** / **was beginning** the Small Kindness Movement in 1997.
- 2 When **did you lose** / **were you losing** your car keys?
- 3 I **did** / **was doing** my shopping when I **realized** / **was realizing** that I **didn't have** / **wasn't having** my wallet.
- 4 When my sister **drove** / **was driving** to work, the car suddenly **broke down** / **was breaking down**. Fortunately, a stranger **stopped** / **was stopping** to help her.

7 Put the verbs in brackets into the past simple or the past continuous tense.

A few days ago, Jeri ¹ _____ (get) a call from the police saying that someone ² _____ (bring) her wallet. She ³ _____ (be) a bit surprised because she ⁴ _____ (not / lose) it. But then she ⁵ _____ (remember) that while she ⁶ _____ (work) at a hospital in South Carolina in the 1990s, someone ⁷ _____ (steal) her wallet from her office. She ⁸ _____ (leave) the room for a few minutes and when she ⁹ _____ (return), the wallet was gone.

So when she got to the police station, she was very surprised. The money ¹⁰ _____ (not / be) there, but the wallet still contained all her credit cards and a photo of her son.

8 Circle the correct answers.

- 1 **While** / **When** a group of convicts escaped from prison in 1871, they got into a conflict with a group of lawman. **As** / **When** they were fighting, a lot of people lost their lives. This is where Convict Lake in California got its name from.

- 2 Truth or Consequences in the state of New Mexico was first called Hot Springs. But **when** / **while** a TV show called *Truth or Consequences* started airing on TV in 1950, the town decided to change its name.
- 3 Two Egg in Florida got its name **when** / **as** a farmer noticed that local residents used eggs to buy goods in the local shop.
- 4 There are many stories about why a small fishing village in Michigan is called Hell, but the most popular one is about two German travellers. **When** / **While** they were staying in the town, they said that it was 'So shoene und hell' (a bright and beautiful day). **When** / **As** the locals heard this, they decided to name it Hell.