Reading

1 Read the text quickly. Who is it for?

- ☐ visitors to New York
- ☐ people who live in New York
- ☐ people who want to know about the history of New York

What can you do ... in New York?

What should you see and do in this exciting city?

Five teenagers from New York share their tips.

I love walking the High Line. It's a park above the city with trees and wild flowers. It's really peaceful to walk here. The High Line used to be a railroad and it's about two kilometres long. It's a great place to see art, too. There are interesting works from New York artists along the route.

Mia, 14

The food in New York is world-famous – everyone knows about our burgers and hot dogs and we have our own versions of food from different countries. You should try New York noodles, falafels and dumplings! But to me nothing is better than a good American-style pizza! There are hundreds of great pizza restaurants here. But if you're in a hurry, you can buy a slice of pizza from street vendors for just a few dollars.

Daniel, 14

Don't miss Deno's Wonder Wheel Amusement Park on Coney Island! The amusement park is from the 1920s, so the rides are really old and interesting. My favourite ride is the Wonder Wheel. The view from the top is awesome!

Alyssa, 15

You should take a ride on the Staten Island Ferry. The journey between Manhattan and Staten Island takes about 25 minutes and you get really close to the Statue of Liberty! The ferry is busy, but it's comfortable and it's free! I've been on it lots of times and I still love it.

Jackson, 15

If you're visiting New York, you have to watch a show on Broadway. It's an amazing experience! I've seen three Broadway shows and they were all great. My favourite was *Aladdin*. It's an interesting story with a happy ending and the costumes were amazing. I loved the songs, too!

Abigail, 14

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Read the text again. How many of these tasks can you do?

Circle T (*True*) or F (*False*).

1 The teenagers live in New York. T / F
2 The High Line is a park. T / F
3 Daniel's favourite food is a burger. T / F

Choose the correct option.

4 You can buy a slice of pizza for *a dollar* / *a few dollars*.
5 The rides at Deno's Wonder Wheel Amusement Park are *old* / *new*.
6 Alyssa thinks the view from the top of the Wonder Wheel is *scary* / *awesome*.

Answer the questions with no more than 4 words.

7 Where does the Staten Island Ferry travel to? .....
8 How much does the Staten Island Ferry cost? .....
9 How many Broadway shows has Abigail seen? .....

Vocabulary

2 Circle the correct words and phrases.

I'll never forget my first long-distance flight*. We were halfway across the Atlantic Ocean when suddenly we heard an announcement from the captain. He said the aircraft was [1] *in trouble* / *rescued* and we might have to [2] *blow up* / *make* an emergency landing. All the passengers started talking about what they thought was happening. Perhaps there was a problem with the engine. I was terrified. Would the aircraft [3] *evacuate* / *blow up* in a cloud of smoke? Were we going to [4] *collide* / *become more desperate* with another aircraft? Would we have time to [5] *rescue* / *evacuate* the aircraft safely, and jump into the sea in life jackets? If that happened, who would [6] *blow us up* / *rescue us* from danger? When we heard no more news from the captain, we [7] *made an emergency landing* / *became more desperate* to find out what was going on. Then at last we heard the captain say, "I apologise to all the passengers. There is absolutely nothing wrong with the aircraft! So sit back and enjoy the flight!" I must say, I couldn't relax much after that!

VOCABULARY: *long-distance flight – Langstreckenflug

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