

UNIT 08



MY NEIGHBORHOOD HAS

LEARNING OUTCOMES

STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO:

- » Describe places in their neighborhood.
- » Ask for and give directions.

LESSON A

STORES AND PLACES IN A CITY.

Asking about and describing locations of places.

A. VOCABULARY

1. Match the places and the definitions.

1. airport	a)	An area of public land in a city that contains an area of grass where you can rest, play or walk your dog. Sometimes children can play on swings, a slide or a climbing frame here.
2. bakery	b)	a place where you can wash your clothes in coin-operated machines.
3. zoo	c)	you go here when you need an operation, or someone is going to have a baby.
4. supermarket	d)	you can do exercises, weight training and keep fit here.
5. school	e)	you can buy fresh bread and cakes here.
6. restaurant	f)	a place where you can see many types of animals in cages
7. park	g)	the place you go when you want to travel by plane to another city.
8. p h a r m a c y / drugstore	h)	a place where you can buy books and magazines.
9. library	i)	you can buy a cup of coffee and cakes or sandwiches.
10. laundromat launderette	j)	the place you go when you want to travel by bus to another city
11. hotel	k)	the place you go to put petrol (gas) in your car
12. hospital	l)	a place where children learn. You normally start school at the age of 5.



13. bank	m)	a large store that sells clothes, household appliances etc. in sections.
14. gym	n)	a large store that sells food, drinks and household items
15. gas / petrol station	o)	you go here when you don't want to cook at home. They prepare meals for you.
16. cinema/movies	p)	you can buy medicine here.
17. department store	q)	you can see the latest movies here. Many people eat popcorn while they're here.
18. café	r)	a place where you can read and borrow books.
19. bus station	s)	you deposit or withdraw/take out your money here. You can cash a cheque.
20. bookstore	t)	where you sleep when you visit another city.

Conversation

2. Read the conversation and answer the questions.

I just moved in!

Paula: Hi there! I just moved into the apartment across the hall.

Peter: Welcome to the neighborhood! Is there anything you need help with?

Paula: Thanks! I'm still getting settled, but I could use some help carrying boxes up the stairs.

Peter: Sure, I'd be happy to help. Are there any other things you need help with?

Paula: I think I'm good for now, but I'll let you know if I need anything else. There's a cat looking at us.

Peter: Great! Well, if you need anything, just let me know. I'm always happy to help. It's Charlie.



Paula: Thanks again! I really appreciate it. It's so cute.

Peter: You're welcome! And very shy!

- What is the title of the conversation?
- What are they talking about?
- Where is she moving?

B. GRAMMAR

There is and there are / Prepositions of place.

- » We use there is to say that something exists or is in a place.
- » We use there is for singular nouns and there are for plural nouns.

Affirmative		We use to describe something exists or is in a place.
There is	Singular	
There are		Plural
Negative		
There isn't	singular	
There aren't	Plural	

Questions and short answers:

- For questions, we say **Is** there for singular nouns and uncountable nouns and **Are** there for plural nouns.
- To answer, we say **Yes**, there is (not **Yes**, there's) or **No**, there isn't, or Yes, there are or **No**, there aren't.

YES – NO QUESTIONS	
Is there....?	Are there....?
Is there for singular nouns and uncountable nouns.	Are there for plural nouns.
EXAMPLES	EXAMPLES
Is there a book on the table?	Are there any students in the classroom?



Yes, there is a book on the table.	Yes, there are some students in the classroom.
Is there a bank near this building?	Are there any apples left in the fridge?
Yes, there is a bank two blocks away.	No, there aren't any apples left in the fridge.

	SINGULAR	PLURAL
AFFIRMATIVE	There is There's	There are
NEGATIVE	There is not There isn't There's not	There are not There aren't
NEGATIVE +A/ANY	There isn't any (uncountable)	There aren't any
NEGATIVE + NO	There is no ...	There are no ...
QUESTIONS	Is there...?	Are there...?

EXAMPLES:

Affirmative:

There is a bridge in the park.

There is a restaurant in the station.

There are two cafés in the shopping center.

There is a restaurant in the station. > There's a restaurant in the station.

There are two cafés. > There're two cafés.

Negative:

There isn't a pharmacy near the hotel.

There aren't any restaurants near the hotel.

There isn't a café near here.

There isn't any milk.



There aren't any toilets in the park.

There's no milk.

There are no toilets in the park.

Questions and short answers:

Is there a café near here?

Is there any milk in the fridge?

Are there any toilets in the park?

Is there a café near here? **Yes, there is. / No, there isn't.**

Is there any milk in the fridge? **Yes, there is. / No, there isn't.**

Are there any toilets in the park? **Yes, there are. / No, there aren't.**

Prepositions of place.

What is a Preposition of Place?

A preposition of place is a word that helps us identify position and location in sentences. It describes where something is in relation to another object. Prepositions of place are short words, and they usually come before a noun or pronoun.

PREPOSITIONS:

In

On

At

Next to

Near/close to

Across from/ opposite

In front of

In back of/ behind

Between

On the corner of



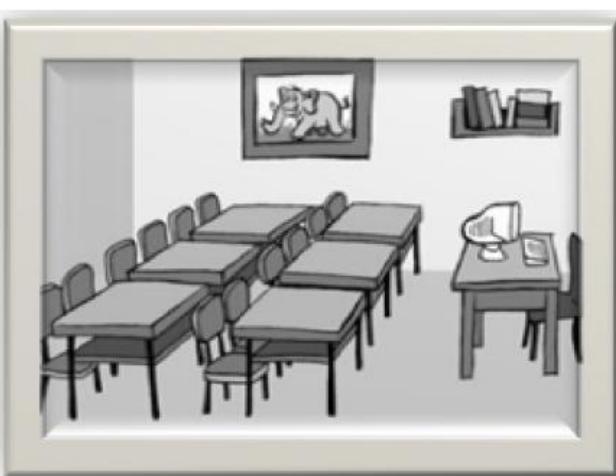
Examples:

- In the middle of the room, you can see the carpet.
- On top of the mountain.
- At the corner of the street.
- Next to me is your aunt Laura.
- Near the beach /close to the coast is warm.
- Across from the hotel is the park/ I sat opposite him during the meal
- In front of you it's the café Paris.
- The garbage cans are in back of the house/ behind you is my favorite store.
- Between the park and the bakery is the school.
- On the corner of November 11th Street and maple avenue you can find the best gym.

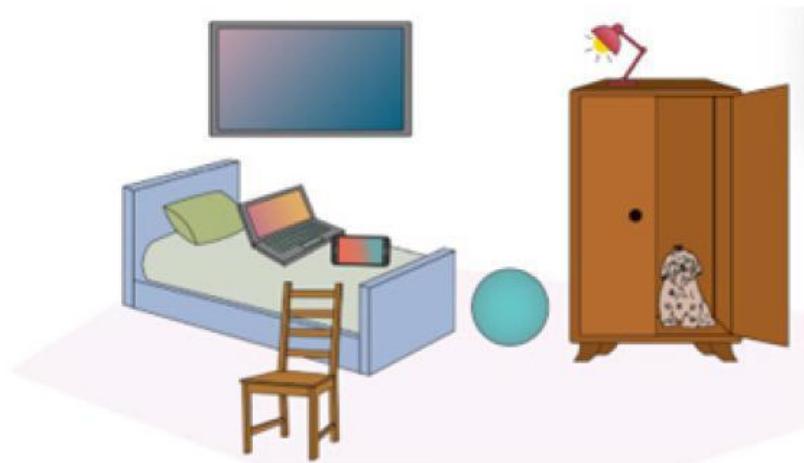
1. Look at the picture and complete the text with the correct form of THERE IS or THERE ARE.

This is a classroom in my school.

- (1) one desk for the teacher and
- (2) six desks for the pupils.
- (3) a computer for the teacher.
- (4) computers for the pupils.
- (5) a cupboard in the classroom.



2. Look at the picture and choose TRUE or FALSE



STATEMENTS		TRUE	FALSE
a) The dog is under the wardrobe.			
b) The TV is above the bed.			
c) The chair and the lamp are in front of the bed.			
d) The chair is in next to the dog.			
e) The phone and the laptop are on the chair.			
f) The ball is between the bed and the wardrobe.			
g) The wardrobe is behind the bed.			
h) The TV is between the sofa and the chair.			

C. LISTENING

1. Listen and practice the pronunciation.

Reduction of there is and there are:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wIj6NEQ9GMo>



2. Listen to the conversation and answer the questions.

Heather is talking to her friend Clive. Heather's brother, Terry, is coming to visit this weekend and she is talking to Clive about what Terry is going to do during this visit. Underline the best option:

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A. What time does Heather's brother arrive in town?

- a. 7pm Thursday
- b. 9pm Tuesday
- c. 8pm Tuesday
- d. 8pm Thursday

B. Where is he flying from?

- a. London
- b. Paris
- c. Mexico
- d. Melbourne

C. What are they going to do on Thursday evening?

- a. Go to restaurant
- b. Stay at home
- c. Go to visit friends
- d. Go to Melbourne

D. How long is Terry going to stay with her?

- a. Two weeks
- b. Until Friday
- c. Until Monday
- d. A week



E. What are the plans for Friday afternoon?

- a. Lunch at restaurant
- b. Picnic at beach
- c. Picnic in countryside
- d. Swimming at beach

F. Where is the Mexican restaurant?

- a. 17th Avenue
- b. 27th Avenue
- c. 7th Avenue
- d. 57th Avenue

G. Where are they going to have lunch on Saturday?

- a. In 7th Avenue
- b. In Central Park
- c. In the museum
- d. In a Japanese restaurant

H. What surprise does Heather have for her brother?

- a. A basketball match
- b. A party
- c. A fishing trip
- d. Meeting a famous person

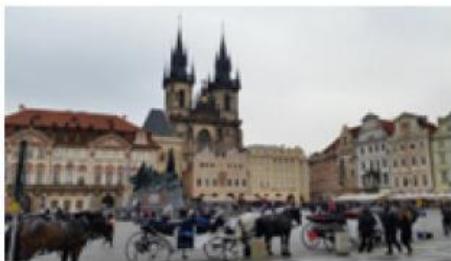
D. WRITING

1. Write a short paragraph about your last holiday.

My last holiday

My last holiday was a five-day trip to Prague in the Czech Republic. I know Prague well because I lived there when I was at university, more than ten years ago.







Instead of staying in a hotel, I stayed with one of my old friends. It was so much fun, and a little bit like my old life. I wanted to do all the same things I did in my university days, so I visited the university. It has changed a lot and looks more modern. I also went to the supermarket near my old house. I loved seeing all the different foods. I was really happy to find my favorite cheese and chocolate biscuits but they were a bit more expensive than I remember!

We did some touristy things too. We walked up beautiful Petrin Hill and around the castle. The views of the city are amazing up there. We walked across the historic Charles Bridge. My friend's flat is very near the TV Tower so we saw the famous baby statues climbing up it.

Those things haven't changed, of course.

Tips

1. Try to make your writing interesting for the reader. To do this, you can make it personal with your own memories and experiences.
2. Use adjectives to add detail to your descriptions.
3. Write clear and simple sentences and organize your ideas in short paragraphs. Give each paragraph a different topic.
4. Use so, but, and, because and other linking words.

Write your information.



E. READING

1. Read the article and answer the following questions.

Locations Reservations Shop
Sign in Register Search

HIP NEIGHBORHOODS OF THE WORLD

A. Shimokitazawa, Tokyo



This is the place to be for fans of indie music! Head over to this creative neighborhood and discover record stores, concert halls, and theaters in the narrow streets. Shimokitazawa (or Shimokita, for short) is a relaxed place full of young people who visit the cafés and live music venues. Every year, there is a theater festival here. It's a very popular place for students.

B. Pigneto, Rome



La Sapienza, a famous college in Rome, is near this neighborhood. It's an extremely cool place to hang out. Pigneto is famous for its nightlife. As you walk around, you hear electronic music coming from different clubs. People also come here for the Nuovo Cinema Aquila, the best place to see indie movies from the world.

a. What is your favorite neighborhood in your city or country?

b. What is interesting about it?

c. What do you like to do there?

C. Roma Norte, Mexico City



This place is popular with artist, students, tourist, and musicians. Feeling hungry? Go to a huge food market, Mercado Roma, to taste delicious ceviche, squid torta, and other Mexican specialties. Next, check out the trendy restaurants for dinner, or shop for beautiful fashion items in the boutiques. There are hip T-shirts and sneakers for sale everywhere. There's locally made jewelry you can buy, too!

F. SPEAKING

1. Tell your information about your last holiday to your partner.

Each student has 5 minutes for speaking.

