DEVELOPING WRITING

Writing a postcard

A Read the postcard quickly. Answer the questions.

1 Who is it to? Where is he/she?
2 Who is it from? Where is he/she?

Dear Brad

[1] We're having a great time here in New York. I'm writing this postcard from the Rainbow Room at the top of one of the city's tallest buildings. We're having a drink here in the café and looking at the Empire State Building. The view is amazing.

[2] There's a lot to do here. We're staying in a hotel near Central Park and can walk to most of the interesting places. Yesterday we visited the Museum of Modern Art. It was fun.

[3] But the best thing about New York is the shopping. We went shopping yesterday in Barney's – it's a famous department store. I bought a T-shirt there. It was quite expensive, but I love it. Ann bought a bag. We got something for you too!

Love,
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B Match the parts of the postcard (1–4) to the descriptions below.

a What they did yesterday and where they're staying ..... 2 .....
b What shops they visited and what they bought .....
c The name and address of the person the postcard is for .....
d Where they are and what they're doing right now .....

C Imagine you are on holiday. You are going to write a postcard. Underline the answers to the questions.

1 What sort of time are you having?
great good not great terrible
2 Where are you?
Paris Italy Buenos Aires Thailand
3 Where are you writing the postcard from?
a café the beach the hotel a restaurant
4 What are you doing right now?
lying on the beach eating dinner
listening to music having a drink
5 What are you looking at?
the city the sea the mountains the cathedral
6 Where are you staying?
in a hotel at a B&B in a hostel at a campsite
7 What did you visit yesterday?
a museum an art gallery
an island the beach
8 What did you buy?
some souvenirs a T-shirt
some food a bag

D Use your answers to the questions in C to complete your postcard. Don't forget to write the name of the person you're writing to, their address and your name in the correct places.



Dear .....

We're having a [1] ..... time here in [2] ..... . I'm writing this postcard from [3] ..... . We're [4] .....and looking at [5] ..... . The view is amazing.

There's a lot to do here. We're staying [6] ..... and can walk to most of the interesting places. Yesterday we visited [7] ..... . It was fun.

But the best thing about this place is the shopping! We went shopping yesterday afternoon. I bought [8] ..... . We got something for you too!

Love

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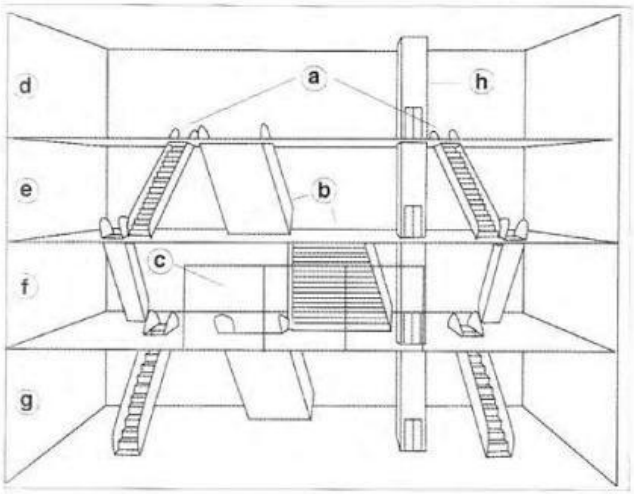
LIVEWORKSHEETS

VOCABULARY Department stores

A Underline the correct words.

1 You can buy a sweater for your father in the **sports / menswear** department.
2 The **toys / accessories** department is the place to buy socks.
3 To get some face cream, visit the **home entertainment / beauty** department.
4 If you need a new battery for your laptop, go to **menswear / computing and gaming**.
5 You can buy a TV in **accessories / home entertainment**.
6 **Sports / Toys** is the place to go to buy football boots.
7 **Womenswear / Accessories** has some great new designer dresses.
8 Children love to visit **menswear / toys**. They can play with all the things there.

B Write the letters from the store plan against the words 1–8.



1	*stairs*	[ ]	5	first floor	[ ]
2	lift	[ ]	6	main entrance	[ ]
3	escalator	[ ]	7	ground floor	[ ]
4	second floor	[ ]	8	basement	[ ]

C Match the questions 1–6 to the answers a–f.

1 Can I try these on? [*b*]
2 Can I pay here? [ ]
3 How do I get to the second floor? [ ]
4 Where's 'womenswear', please? [ ]
5 Do you sell books for children? [ ]
6 When does the sale end? [ ]

a) It's on the fourth floor.
b) Of course. The changing rooms are over there.
c) Yes, there are some down there, on the bottom shelf.
d) There's an escalator just here.
e) Sorry, this till's closed. Could you use that one?
f) On Saturday. There are some great bargains.

5.6 Listen and check your answers.

Vocabulary Builder Quiz 5 (*OVB* pages 18–21)

Try the *OVB* quiz for unit 5. Write your answers in your notebook. Then check them and record your score.

A Find and complete the opposites of the words.

1 happy un_____
2 bottom t_____
3 open cl_____
4 up d_____
5 go out go _____

B Underline the word in each group which does NOT collocate.

1 a kilo of **apples / meat / sales**
2 a piece of **cheese / customer / cake**
3 a pair of **jeans / suit / shoes**
4 half **a window / a kilo of tomatoes / an hour**

C Underline the correct word.

1 Jake always wears a smart cotton / plastic shirt.
2 Those plates go on the medium / bottom shelf.
3 Theo gave me a gold / shape ring. It's beautiful.
4 Lula always wears a black leather / bottom jacket.
5 The whole family sat around the wooden / shape table.
6 The kitchen is a small, hard / square room.

D Complete with the prepositions in the box.

1 I love this dress. I'm going to try it ..... .

for	in	of	on	up

2 This bag is made ..... Italian leather.
3 Go ..... the escalator to get to the shoe department. It's on the third floor.
4 Can we go ..... through the main entrance?
5 I'm looking ..... my mobile phone. I can't find it.

E Match the beginnings 1–5 to the endings a–e.

1 It's cold in here. I'll close a) next spring.
2 I'm really trying to improve b) all their money last year.
3 He's planning to retire c) the shop with her husband.
4 She manages d) my English.
5 They lost e) the window.

Score ___ / 25

Wait a couple of weeks and try the quiz again. Compare your scores.

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