

InstaEnglish 1A unit 4

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GRAMMAR

1 Choose the correct verb form.

- 1 The Persians *cooked/cook* the first cookies with sugar a long time ago.
- 2 The first car *come/came* from Germany.
- 3 Joe *took/take* photos of Mount Everest the first time he visited it.
- 4 Samantha *went/go* to the Greek Islands on her last vacation.
- 5 Jack *left/leave* for Rome to learn about its rich history.
- 6 There *was/were* a terrible earthquake in China in 1556.
- 7 Europeans first *discovered/discover* potatoes in Chile.

Score: /7

2 Complete the dialogues with *did* or *didn't*.

- 1 _____ the earthquake in Lisbon destroy the city?
Yes, it _____.
- 2 _____ Domenico Fontana discover Rome?
No, he _____.
- 3 Where _____ Christopher Columbus live when he was a child?
I don't know, but he _____ live in Rome.
- 4 _____ Christopher Columbus read a lot about geography, history and astronomy?
Yes, he _____.
- 5 _____ the Persians enjoy snow, ice fruit and honey?
Yes, they _____.
- 6 What _____ Marco Polo discover?
Well, I know he _____ discover countries in South America.
- 7 _____ Amelia Earhart fly solo?
Yes, she _____.

Score: /7

3 Complete the sentences with *could* or *couldn't*.

- 1 The 1666 London fire was terrible, but the population _____ eventually rebuild their destroyed city.
- 2 The American Revolution took many ideas from early civilizations, so you _____ say those civilizations influenced the modern concept of equality around the globe.

3 World War II involved most of the world but _____ bring real peace to the world.

4 It _____ take years to copy out a single book, so when Gutenberg invented the printing press, things changed a lot.

Score: /4

4 Complete the sentences with the simple past form of the verbs in the box.

cook dry listen play watch

- 1 Samantha _____ lunch yesterday.
- 2 Diana and Jo _____ tennis last Tuesday.
- 3 We _____ TV yesterday evening.
- 4 Susie _____ her clothes in the sun.
- 5 Ed _____ to music on his CD player.

Score: /5

5 Rewrite the sentences in the negative form.

- 1 Joseph played soccer yesterday afternoon.

- 2 Donna went to the beach last weekend.

- 3 We had a good time yesterday evening.

- 4 Sophia traveled by plane last summer.

- 5 I enjoyed the movie yesterday.

Score: /5

6 Rewrite the sentences as questions.

- 1 Emma went to Italy last summer.

- 2 Joe liked his new school.

- 3 Wendy and Lucy met after school yesterday.

- 4 You watched a western last night.

- 5 George Claude invented the neon light.

- 6 Queen Mary ruled in the 20th century.

Score: /6

7 Write questions in the simple past.

1 Emma / go to Italy / last summer ?

2 Joe / read / about Jules Verne ?

3 your mom and dad / live near Liverpool / when they were young ?

4 Amelia Earhart / fly solo ?

5 the Wright Brothers / build a truck ?

Score: / 5

READING

8 Read the text and choose the correct answers.

The Australian Adventurer

Australia is a very big continent. It is about 4,000 kilometers from east to west. But, in 1912, one man decided to travel across the continent... by bicycle! The man's name was Francis Birtles. When he was young, he bought a bicycle and started cycling. He rode around Australia twice and became the first person to ride a bike across the continent from west to east.

Francis became very popular and a lot of newspapers wrote stories about him. As a result, in 1926 a car manufacturing company gave him a car and asked him to drive it across Australia. He completed this amazing journey in eight days and 13 hours, and the car company sold a lot of cars because of the publicity!

Later in his life, Francis continued to have adventures. He explored the north of Australia and discovered gold, and he made two movies about his adventures. When he died in 1941, Francis Birtles was a very rich man.

1 Francis rode across Australia from _____.

A east to west B west to east

2 Francis _____ the car that he drove across Australia.

A didn't buy B bought

3 The car company was _____ with the publicity from Francis's journey across Australia.

A unhappy B happy

4 When he was older, Francis _____ more adventures.

A had B didn't have

5 In later life, Francis was still an _____.

A explorer B actor

Score: / 5

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Question 9

Underline the correct option to complete the sentences.

Japan is **a an island / a continental** country consisting of a stratovolcanic archipelago in the Pacific Ocean, located on what is commonly known as the Ring of Fire. This is an area where many continental and oceanic plates meet, causing frequent **b eruptions / earthquakes** and volcanic **c eruptions / waves**. When earthquakes happen close to or below the ocean, this triggers big tidal waves, or **d tornados / tsunamis**. Every year, more than 1,500 earthquakes strike the **e ocean / country**.

Question 10

Complete the text with the words from the box

floods	fires	country	earthquakes	natural disasters	tsunamis
landslides	aspect	droughts			

Being a continental **a** _____, Brazil has diverse climatic and vegetation ecosystems. This is often a positive **b** _____, after all, it is a country "blessed by God and beautiful by nature." But every year, several cities suffer from a series of **c** _____. The northeast region suffers from **d** _____. The southeastern region suffers from **e** _____ and **f** _____ during rainy seasons. And many **g** _____ happen in the rainforest during the dry season. But at least there are no **h** _____ or **i** _____. And yet, some say we are really blessed...

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Listening Exam 4

Listen to Alvaro and Belinda talking about trips to New York and Los Angeles. Answer the questions. There is one example.

Example

When did the plane leave? 9am

- 1 What time did the plane arrive in New York? _____
- 2 Did Belinda go to New York with Ash? _____
- 3 Did Alvaro fly to Los Angeles? _____
- 4 What time did Alvaro have dinner? _____
- 5 When did Alvaro arrive home? _____

Write a short biography

- Where and when was he/she born?
- What kind of education did he/she have?
- What type of research did he/she develop?
- Which was his/her great contribution to science?