Lesson 4B

GRAMMAR | comparatives and superlatives
VOCABULARY | travel; travel phrases
PRONUNCIATION | sentence stress

VOCABULARY

travel

1 A **Choose the correct word or phrase to complete the sentences.**

1 What's the quickest _____ to Manchester from here?
a direction **b** route **c** travel

2 Air _____ is the safest way to travel.
a trips **b** travel **c** way

3 The _____ between Canada and the USA is nearly 9,000 km long.
a border **b** direction **c** distance

4 Let's take a day _____ to somewhere nice!
a travel **b** journey **c** trip

5 Is there a faster _____ to get to the centre of the city?
a journey **b** direction **c** way

6 The _____ from Frankfurt to Sydney took a very long time.
a direction **b** journey **c** travel

B **Complete the article with the words in the box.**

borders	direction	distance	
journey	travel	tours	way

Is this the world's most travelled person?

Babis Bizas was born in Greece in 1954. While he was studying languages at university, he travelled around Europe, and then decided to go to Asia where he crossed the [1] _____ of several countries including Afghanistan, Pakistan and India. While he was making his [2] _____ through Colombo, Sri Lanka, he decided to take a job on a Greek boat because he needed money. The boat travelled a great [3] _____ across the ocean, first in the [4] _____ of Africa and then on to North America. Babis decided that he wanted to spend his life working in the [5] _____ industry, so he became a tour guide. Today, Babis takes people on [6] _____ in places that tourists don't usually visit. He has visited every country in the world, many of them twice or more. He's even been to both the North Pole and the South Pole. His helicopter [7] _____ to the South Pole took nineteen hours.

travel phrases

2 **Use the prompts to make sentences about the places.**

1 Sweden is / border / Norway and Finland.
_____

2 China / other side / world / to Brazil.
_____

3 California / west coast / the US.
_____

4 Oman / the other side / Arabian Sea / India.
_____

5 Istanbul / west / Turkey.
_____

6 Paris isn't / the coast.
_____

7 Ethiopia / east coast / Africa.
_____

8 You can stop / Nicaragua / your way / Mexico / from Ecuador.
_____

GRAMMAR

comparatives and superlatives

3 A **The sentences below have a mistake. Choose the best option to correct the mistake.**

1 It's <u>more hot</u> than it was yesterday.
a hoter **b** hotter **c** more hot

2 Who's <u>the funny</u> person in your family?
a a funnyer **b** the most funny **c** the funniest

3 This way isn't <u>the same than</u> the other way.
a the same as **b** as same as **c** as same than

4 Where is the best place <u>to eating</u> around here?
a eating **b** eat **c** to eat

B **Complete the conversation with the comparative or superlative form of the adjective in brackets.**

A: What do you think is [1] _____ (good) way to travel around a country?

B: For me, it's by motorbike. It's [2] _____ (easy) way to get around, but I also enjoy train travel.

A: I imagine that travelling by motorbike is [3] _____ (cheap) than travelling by train.

B: It depends on the country. Sometimes, it's [4] _____ (expensive).

A: I like taking the train. For me, it's [5] _____ (safe) way to travel and it's a bit [6] _____ (comfortable). You can just sit back and enjoy the view.

B: You're right. Trains are [7] _____ (safe) than motorbikes. And they're usually [8] _____ (quick).

A: But you still prefer motorbikes to trains?

B: Not just trains. I prefer motorbikes to everything! Motorbikes are the [9] _____ (interesting) way to travel.

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PRONUNCIATION

4 4.04 | **sentence stress** | **Use the prompts to make questions. Mark the stressed words. Then listen and check.**

1 Which / better, / the beach / the mountains?

2 Where / popular / travel destination?

3 Who / funny, / your sister / your brother?

4 What / cheap / way / travel?

READING

5A Read the tour information and answer each question with one word.

1 Which country is the tour in?
2 How many days is the tour?
3 Where does the tour start and end?

B Read the article again. Are the statements True (T) or False (F)?

1 You see the same things in summer and winter.
2 The price is cheaper than usual at the moment.
3 Some food is included in the price.
4 For £1,500, you get a flight to Iceland.
5 There will be no more than eleven people and you on the tour.
6 Someone from the company comes with you on the tour.
7 You pay extra to use the internet on the bus.
8 You need to take different types of clothes.

C On which day (1–7) can you do these things?

a visit the largest town in the north of Iceland
b take photographs of animals that live in the area.
c visit a place with an interesting past
d visit a place by the sea with unusual sand
e visit a place where people play music
f see a place where people have a bath in natural hot water

The Best of Iceland Tour

Spend seven days on this beautiful island, travelling from west to north to east to south. See amazing nature, look for the Northern Lights in the sky in winter and enjoy the midnight sun in summer.

Price: **£1,500** (was £1,850)

This includes:
- transport to all destinations.
- hotel accommodation for seven nights, with breakfast.
- whale-watching boat tour.

This does **not** include your flights to and from Iceland or transport to and from the airport.

Why choose our tour?
- Small groups. No more than twelve people per group.
- Great tour guides.
- Comfortable bus with free wifi.

What do you need to bring?
- Clothes for both warm and cold weather. The weather changes fast.

Day 1 – Reykjavik
You arrive in Reykjavik and explore this exciting city. Visit the interesting concert hall and the amazing street art. Try delicious seafood from the island's coast.

Day 2 – Reykjavik to Borgarnes
Your day starts with an early breakfast at your hotel before the tour starts. On your way to the hotel in Borgarnes, you visit the important village of Reykholt in the west. It's tiny, but it has some interesting history.

Day 3 – Borgarnes to Akureyri
Akureyri is a fishing town and the biggest town in the north of Iceland. On the way there, you pass pretty fishing villages and join a three-hour boat trip in Dalvik where you can see whales and dolphins.

Day 4 – Akureyri to Borgarfjörður
Borgarfjörður is a small village on the east coast of the island. On the way there, you visit the beautiful Mývatn lake where you can pay to visit the baths, with their natural hot water from the ground.

Day 5 – Borgarfjörður to Höfn
Visit the east of the island. You pass farms and lakes where you can see local wildlife and finish the day with a three-hour guided walk.

Day 6 – Höfn to Vik
Vatnajökull National Park is where you go today. The main destination is Skaftafell, with its mountains and ice, but on the way, you visit Diamond Beach with its black sand. Your hotel is in Vik.

Day 7 – Vik to Reykjavik
On the way back to Reykjavik, you visit Þingvellir National Park and enjoy the Gullfoss waterfall. You have the evening to enjoy Reykjavik before returning home the next day.

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Exercises

20.1 Complete the answers to the questions.

1	Have you seen Kate?	Yes, I saw her five minutes ago.
2	Have you started your new job?	Yes, I ..... last week.
3	Have your friends arrived?	Yes, they ..... at 5 o'clock.
4	Has Sarah gone away?	Yes, ... on Friday.
5	Have you worn your new suit?	Yes, ... yesterday.

20.2 Are these sentences OK? Correct the verbs that are wrong. (The verbs are underlined.)

1 I've lost my key. I can't find it. — OK
2 Have you seen Kate yesterday? — Did you see
3 I've finished my work at 2 o'clock. .....
4 I'm ready now. I've finished my work. .....
5 What time have you finished your work? .....
6 Sue isn't here. She's gone out. .....
7 Steve's grandmother has died two years ago. .....
8 Where have you been last night? .....

20.3 Put the verb in the present perfect or past.

1 My friend is a writer. He has written (write) many books.
2 We didn't have (not/have) a holiday last year.
3 I ..... (play) tennis yesterday afternoon.
4 What time ..... (you/go) to bed last night?
5 ..... (you ever meet) a famous person?
6 The weather ..... (not/be) very good yesterday.
7 Kathy travels a lot. She ..... (visit) many countries.
8 I ..... (switch) off the light before going out this morning.
9 I live in New York now, but I ..... (live) in Mexico for many years.
10 'What's Canada like? Is it beautiful?' 'I don't know. I ..... (not/be) there.'

20.4 Put the verb in the present perfect or past.

1 A: Have you ever been (you/ever/be) to Florida?
B: Yes, we went (go) there on holiday two years ago.
A: ..... (you/have) a good time?
B: Yes, it ..... (be) great.

2 A: Where's Alan? ..... (you/see) him?
B: Yes, he ..... (go) out a few minutes ago.
A: And Rachel?
B: I don't know. I ..... (not/see) her.

3 Rose works in a factory. She ..... (work) there for six months. Before that she ..... (be) a waitress in a restaurant. She ..... (work) there for two years, but she ..... (not/enjoy) it very much.

4 A: Do you know Mark's sister?
B: I ..... (see) her a few times, but I ..... (never/speak) to her. ..... (you/ever/speak) to her?
A: Yes. I ..... (meet) her at a party last week. She's very nice.

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