10E READING Adventure in Australia

I can understand a newspaper article.

1 **Choose the correct time expressions. Sometimes two answers are possible.**

1 **Nowadays** / **Suddenly** / **Then**, a lot of people visit Australia.
2 My brother failed his driving test three times. But **finally** / **eventually** / **nowadays** he passed it.
3 **Suddenly** / **Nowadays** / **Finally**, Helen left the room.
4 I've **recently** / **finally** / **afterwards** learned how to swim.
5 **First of all** / **Finally** / **Then**, we visited Spain, **then** / **afterwards** / **recently** we went to France.

2 **Complete the text with the adjectives in the box.**

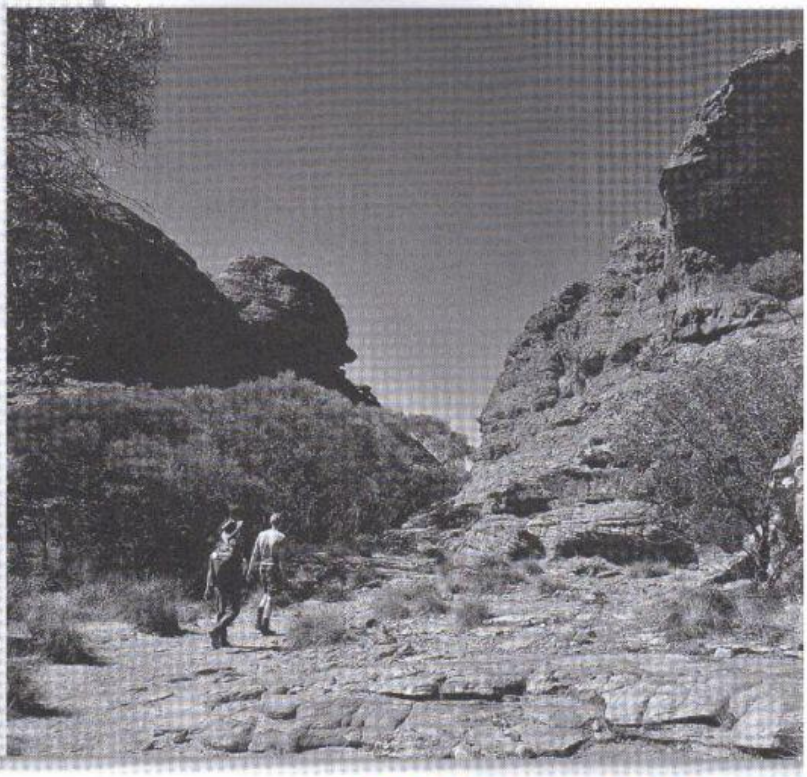
big dark deep happy hot hungry quiet terrible worried

In the Outback

IN 2008, my friend Andy and I were on holiday in the Outback in Western Australia. It's a [1] big place and there aren't many people. We had a car, and every day we drove to the next roadhouse. A roadhouse is like a garage and a shop in the middle of nowhere. We stopped every afternoon to hike in the canyons. The weather was very [2] _____, but we had enough food and water for two days and a radio phone for emergencies. It was an adventure!

But one evening everything changed. We were in our sleeping bags in the car. Suddenly, we heard a strange sound. It was [3] _____, and we couldn't see anything. It became really windy. Then there was a [4] _____ noise and something hit us. It was a tornado! The car lifted off the ground. After that, it was very calm and [5] _____. But we didn't sleep again that night; we were so scared.

In the morning, we saw [6] _____ water all around the car. The road was flooded because of the tornado. We couldn't move, but we weren't [7] _____ because we had the emergency phone. Finally, we spoke to someone. He told us to wait in the car. We waited four days until a helicopter rescued us. We became quite [8] _____ and thirsty, but we were OK – and very [9] _____ to see our rescuers. It wasn't an adventure any more!



3 **Read the text again. Number the events in the correct order**

a ☐ The tornado moved the car.
b ☐ They were asleep in the car.
c ☐ They went on holiday to Western Australia.
d ☐ The helicopter arrived.
e ☐ The flood waters arrived.
f ☐ They finished all the food and drink in the car.
g ☐ They heard a loud noise.
h ☐ They phoned the emergency services.

Challenge!

INTERNET RESEARCH Find out about Australia. Complete the table.

Population:	
Capital:	
Biggest city:	
Tallest mountain:	
Animals that only live in Australia:	
Another interesting fact:	

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