

Unit 6 - Beginner

B - there was, there were

1 VOCABULARY places

a Order the letters to make places.

1 WOTN town

2 HUCRCH church

3 OHPS shops

4 TPEORL OASTTIN post office

5 USUMME summers

6 THSMEISC island

7 GVLIALE valley

8 APIORRT airport

9 ERVRI river

10 RAPK park

b Write the places.

1 It's a place where doctors and nurses work. hospital

2 It's a place where there is a lot of water. sea

3 It's a place where you can take a train. station

4 It's a shop where you can buy stamps and send letters. post office

5 It's a place where you can watch films. cinema

6 It's a place where people go in the summer. beach

7 It's a building you go to when you want some money. bank

8 It's a place where there are a lot of houses, offices, cars, and people. city

2 GRAMMAR *there was / there were*

a Look at the two pictures. Complete the sentences to describe the town in 1960.

1 There weren't any banks.

2 There was a post office.

3 There were shops.

4 There was a supermarket.

5 There were parks.

6 There was a hospital.

7 There were restaurants.

8 There was a cinema.



b Write questions and short answers about the town in 1960.

1 Were there any shops? Yes, there were.

2 Was there a hospital? No, there wasn't.

3 Were there cinemas? Yes, there were.

4 Were there parks? Yes, there were.

5 Were there restaurants? Yes, there were.

6 Was there a post office? Yes, there was.

7 Were there banks? Yes, there were.

8 Was there a supermarket? Yes, there was.



Words and phrases to learn

Complete the dialogue with the words in the list.

how happened breakfast disaster
wore built began accident
kilometres typically

A 1 How was your holiday?
B It was a complete 2.
A Why?
B Well, the problems 3 when we left home.
A What 4?
B Well, first we had an 5.
A Where?
B About fifty 6 from Dover.
A What did you do?
B We stayed the night in a bed and 7 and the next day we rented a car.
A Was the hotel in France nice?
B No, it was awful. I think they 8 it about a hundred years ago, so it was very old.
A What about the weather?
B Well, we were in France, but the weather was 9 English.
A Oh. Did it rain every day?
B Yes, it did. We 10 goats all holiday, and we didn't see the sun once.

4 READING

a Read the text and answer the questions.

1 Where is Pompeii? It's in Italy.

2 How many people lived there? Twenty thousand.

3 When did people get up? Very early.

4 What did they have for breakfast? Bread and cheese.

5 What time did they have lunch? Twelve o'clock.

6 Where did they wash? In the public baths.

7 What did they often do in the evenings? Have dinner parties.

8 Why did life in Pompeii stop? The volcano Vesuvius erupted.

b Look at the highlighted words. What do you think they mean? Check with your dictionary.

Pompeii – a town with a difference!

On your next trip to Italy, why not visit the fantastic Roman town of Pompeii?

In the past, twenty thousand people lived in Pompeii in big houses with big gardens. The Romans built roads in the town and there were many public places like baths, amphitheatres, banks, and markets.

There wasn't any electricity and people got up with the sun. For breakfast they had bread and cheese. People started work very early and stopped at twelve o'clock for a lunch of fish, bread, cake and fruit. In the afternoon people went to watch the gladiators or to the public baths to wash and meet friends. In the evening they often had dinner parties – they were an important part of Roman life.

But life in Pompeii stopped in 79 AD when the volcano Vesuvius erupted. Today you can see the town exactly as it was nearly two thousand years ago.



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