

## 4 READING

a Read the text. Match the headings (A–D) to the paragraphs.

A A nice cheap place to spend a morning  
B Have a nice meal and make new friends  
C Yes we can!  
D Shopping is so easy



# Things I love about the US

**Sarah Araf is British but she lives in Ohio, in the US. Here are some things she loves about living there.**

1

In the US, the customer is really important. When you walk into a store, the staff greet you with a smile and ask 'How are you?'. The customer is always right too. If you have a problem with something, you take it back and they solve the problem quickly. You don't need to complain. You don't even need to have the receipt.

2

I love real American coffee shops. Not chains like Costa and Starbucks, but those old-fashioned places where the waitresses come to your table and call you 'honey'. You pay a dollar for coffee, and you can drink as much as you like. You can also stay as long as you like. You can sit there all day and read a book for the price of a cup of coffee.

3

Eating out here isn't as expensive as in the UK, so we go out quite a lot. People are very friendly here too. When you go to a bar or a restaurant, you often have a conversation with the people at the next table. It's really nice.

4

Everyone is so optimistic here! They believe that everything is possible if you work hard. If you say 'We can't do that', they say, 'Why not?'

b Guess the meaning of the highlighted verbs. Check in your dictionary.

## 5 LISTENING

**iChecker** Listen to the three speakers talking about Britain. Answer the questions with **H** (Hannah), **A** (Anna), or **R** (Roberta).



Hannah, Korea



Anna, Poland



Roberta, Italy

Who...?

- 1 doesn't like the food
- 2 likes eating food from many different countries
- 3 likes the atmosphere at work
- 4 likes the parks
- 5 thinks the traffic is terrible
- 6 thinks that people are nice to foreigners



## USEFUL WORDS AND PHRASES

Learn these words and phrases.

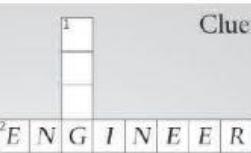
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## 3B Work and play

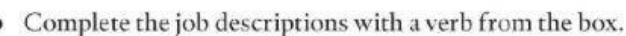
## 1 VOCABULARY jobs

a Complete the crossword.

Clues across →



Clues down ↓



work earn speak drive have work travel wear

1 'I<sup>1</sup> work inside and outside during the day or at night.  
I<sup>2</sup> drive a car and sometimes I walk along the street.  
I don't<sup>3</sup> earn a lot of money. I<sup>4</sup> wear a uniform.'

2 'I work in an office with a computer, or outside with other people.  
I<sup>5</sup> speak French and Spanish and I sometimes  
I<sup>6</sup> travel to different countries. I don't wear a uniform.  
I<sup>7</sup> work for a newspaper.'

3 'I wear a uniform and I work with other people. I<sup>8</sup> need  
special qualifications, but I don't<sup>9</sup> earn a lot of money.  
I work during the day or at night, but I don't work outside.  
I<sup>10</sup> work in a hospital.'

Match the descriptions to a job.

a journalist  a nurse  a policeman

**c** Write *-er* or *-or*.

1 footballer	4 wait
2 manag	5 doct
3 administrat	6 build

**d** Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

a an at for in retired unemployed

- 1 He studies economics at university.
- 2 My brother is an engineer.
- 3 We work for an American company.
- 4 I don't have a job. I'm unemployed.
- 5 Paola is a receptionist.
- 6 My grandparents are 75. They're retired.