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Back in time

VOCABULARY 1

adjectives to describe things

1 Write sentences about the photos. Use two of these adjectives in each sentence.

beautiful clean dirty loud new old ugly young



- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4

2 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

- 1 I'm very thirsty. I'd like a **large** / **loud** milkshake, please.
- 2 We love the new museum in town. It's really **interesting** / **boring**.
- 3 Your brother is **loud** / **quiet**, isn't he? He never says a word.
- 4 Our dog is old now. She's very **quick** / **slow** when she walks.
- 5 Don't watch that DVD. It's **boring** / **interesting**.
- 6 I can't do this maths homework. It's very **easy** / **difficult**.

3 Read and text and write the gadgets next to the names.



'Hi! My name's Alfie. There are always lots of gadgets in our kitchen. What is there today? Well, there's my mobile phone on the table. It's a bit dirty. That large, heavy laptop is Kate's. It's pretty old ... My mum always brings her tablet to the kitchen. It's very loud!

The radio is my dad's. He loves old things. Those are my grandad's his records, next to the radio. He has the coolest things!

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| 1 Alfie: | 4 Kate: |
| 2 Dad: | 5 Mum: |
| 3 Grandad: | |

READING

1 Jenny is visiting the School Museum. Read the first paragraph of the article and answer the questions.

- 1 When was the school trip?
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- 2 What year is the class learning about?
.....
- 3 Where is the museum?
.....

3 Choose the best title for the article in Ex 2.

- 1 My favourite school trip
- 2 Family life in the past
- 3 A very different school

2 e Read the article. Choose a word below. Write the correct words next to numbers 1-5.

Last week we were at the School Museum. What an interesting place! You can travel back in time there and be a school child in 1837. The school is in a village and it's very different from our school.

The school is in an old ¹..... . Inside there's one very large classroom called the School Room. In 1837 there were 200 children in this room, and there was only one teacher in the class. The desks were really ²..... and old-fashioned, and they were all facing the front.

At the School Museum there is a real teacher, so you can have a lesson in the school room. You sit at the desks and try writing with the ³..... with real ink. The lesson we were in at the School Museum was ⁴..... and boring. And all my answers were wrong!

Life for school children in the past wasn't fun. After school the children were busy working for their families. There wasn't much free time and, of course, there weren't any gadgets like TVs or ⁵.....







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small new quiet village

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GRAMMAR

past simple: be

1 Complete the sentences with *is, are, was* or *were*.

- 1 In 1837 there musical instruments, but no TVs.
- 2 There usually about thirty children in modern British classes.
- 3 there any whiteboards at school in the 1830s?
- 4 There a lot of work to do. Let's start!
- 5 Why she away from school yesterday?

2 Rewrite the sentences in the past simple.

There isn't a supermarket in the village.
 There wasn't a supermarket in the village.

- 1 There aren't any TVs at the school.


- 2 The lesson isn't very interesting.

- 3 Old computers aren't very quick.

- 4 The weather isn't nice.

- 5 My parents aren't happy with me.

3 Complete the blog with the correct form of *was* or *were*.



On Friday I ¹ at an exhibition at the Science Museum with my class. There ² lots of gadgets for listening to music, from the last 100 years or so. There ³ any CDs in the 1900s. There ⁴ machines called gramophones. They work like record players, but they have big speakers, like trumpets. The sound ⁵ very good, not like modern CDs, but I think some of the gramophones ⁶ really beautiful.

4 Alice and Beth are looking at an old photo of their city. Complete the conversation with *was, wasn't, were* or *weren't*.



- A: Wow! The city ¹ very different in the 1940s.
 B: Yes. What ² those things? They look like buses.
 A: They ³ called trams, I think.
 B: There ⁴ any cars in the city centre.
 A: You're right. There ⁵
 B: And all the people are wearing hats in this photo. Look!
 A: Yes, hats ⁶ very popular.

5 Write short answers about you and your family.

- 1 Were your parents born in the 1990s?

- 2 Was your grandad in a pop group when he was young?

- 3 Was there just one teacher at your school yesterday?

- 4 Were you a beautiful baby?

- 5 Were there any good programmes on TV last night?

- 6 Was your last English homework difficult?
