

## Can you remember...? 1

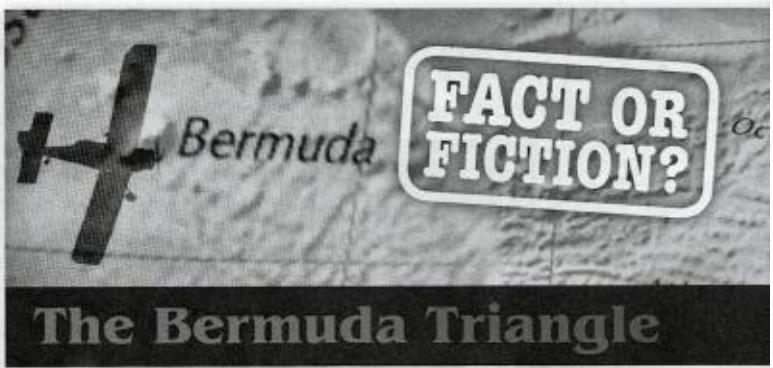
## GRAMMAR & VOCABULARY

a Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first sentence. Use the word in brackets. Contractions are one word.



- 1 My husband and I both love animals. (so)  
I love animals and so                    does                     
my                    husband                   .
- 2 I'm sure I sent you a message last night. (did)  
I did                    send            you                     
a                    message            last night.
- 3 Whose is this phone? (belong)  
Who                                                                              
                                                                            to?
- 4 What was wrong with the hotel you stayed in? (like)  
Why                                                                             the  
hotel you stayed in?
- 5 Where did you get that book from? (gave)  
                                                                                               that book?
- 6 How much is petrol in your country? (costs)  
Do you know                                        
                                                         in your country?
- 7 Do you have any vacancies at the moment? (whether)  
Can you                                                           
                                                         any vacancies at the  
moment?
- 8 I'm just checking you'll pick me up from work tonight.  
(you)  
You will pick me up from work tonight,                     
                   ?
- 9 My friends and I can't afford to go on holiday this  
year. (neither)  
I can't afford to go on holiday this year and  
                    
                  .
- 10 I'm sure Tom knows about the meeting – he  
mentioned it yesterday. (does)  
Tom                                                           
                                                         – he mentioned it  
yesterday.

**b** Read the text. Circle a, b, or c.



## **The Bermuda Triangle**

During the 1960s and 70s, many stories were told of ships and aircraft disappearing mysteriously in a region of the Atlantic Ocean known as the Bermuda Triangle. People asked, '1 \_\_\_\_\_ is causing these boats and planes to disappear?', and several 2 \_\_\_\_\_ reasons were given to explain the mystery. Some writers wondered 3 \_\_\_\_\_ aliens had established an underwater base and were hijacking aircraft to study their crew. Others said that enormous waves might be hitting vessels, causing them to sink without a 4 \_\_\_\_\_. However, nobody asked the question of whether there really 5 \_\_\_\_\_ any mystery to explain.

Journalist Larry Kusche was the first person to do this. He asked questions about the mysterious disappearances which previous writers<sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. These writers had simply collected stories that had already been written and repeated them in their own way. Kusche found many mistakes in their stories: in some cases, there was no record of the ships and planes that were said to have been lost, and in others, they had disappeared during<sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_ bad storms. Kusche pointed out that it was logical that more accidents would occur in the busy Bermuda Triangle than in more<sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_ areas such as the South Pacific because the more ships there are in an area, the<sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_ it is for one of them to sink.

In the end, Kusche concluded that the explanation for the Bermuda Triangle<sup>10</sup> was neither aliens nor massive waves, but the lack of research done by writers in search of a sensational story.

1 a How	b What	c Which
2 a foreign	b extraordinary	c absent-minded
3 a how	b whether	c where
4 a mark	b sign	c trace
5 a is	b has	c was
6 a didn't	b hadn't	c weren't
7 a rather	b quite	c extremely
8 a congested	b far	c remote
9 a likely	b more likely	c most likely
10 a puzzle	b quiz	c story