

DEVELOPING WRITING

Writing a postcard

A Read the postcard quickly. Answer the questions.

- Who is it to? Where is he/she?
- Who is it from? Where is he/she?

Dear Brad

¹ We're having a great time here in New York. I'm writing this postcard from the Rainbow Room at the top of one of the city's tallest buildings. We're having a drink here in the café and looking at the Empire State Building. The view is amazing.

² There's a lot to do here. We're staying in a hotel near Central Park and can walk to most of the interesting places. Yesterday we visited the Museum of Modern Art. It was fun.

³ But the best thing about New York is the shopping. We went shopping yesterday in Barney's - it's a famous department store. I bought a T-shirt there. It was quite expensive, but I love it. Ann bought a bag. We got something for you too!

Love,
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B Match the parts of the postcard (1-4) to the descriptions below.

- What they did yesterday and where they're staying 2
- What shops they visited and what they bought
- The name and address of the person the postcard is for
- Where they are and what they're doing right now

C Imagine you are on holiday. You are going to write a postcard. Underline the answers to the questions.

- What sort of time are you having?
great good not great terrible
- Where are you?
Paris Italy Buenos Aires Thailand
- Where are you writing the postcard from?
a café the beach the hotel a restaurant
- What are you doing right now?
lying on the beach eating dinner
listening to music having a drink
- What are you looking at?
the city the sea the mountains the cathedral
- Where are you staying?
in a hotel at a B&B in a hostel at a campsite
- What did you visit yesterday?
a museum an art gallery
an island the beach
- What did you buy?
some souvenirs a T-shirt
some food a bag

D Use your answers to the questions in C to complete your postcard. Don't forget to write the name of the person you're writing to, their address and your name in the correct places.



Dear

We're having a ¹ time here in
² I'm writing this postcard from
³ We're
⁴ and looking at
⁵ The view is amazing.

There's a lot to do here. We're staying ⁶
 and can walk to most of the interesting places. Yesterday
 we visited ⁷ It was fun.

But the best thing about this place is the shopping! We
 went shopping yesterday afternoon. I bought
⁸ We got something for you too!

Love

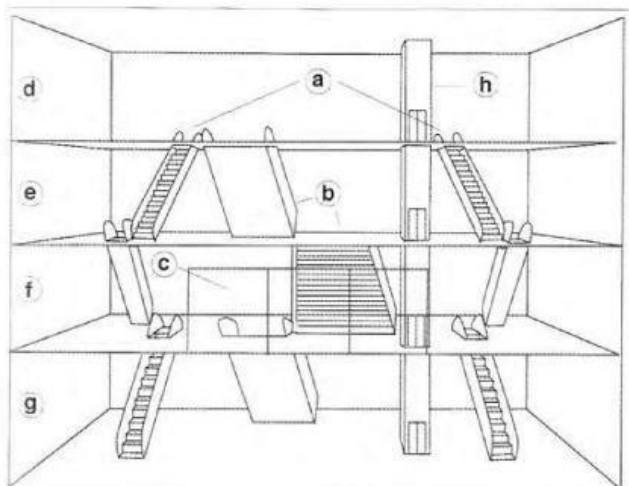


VOCABULARY Department stores

A Underline the correct words.

- 1 You can buy a sweater for your father in the **sports / menswear** department.
- 2 The **toys / accessories** department is the place to buy socks.
- 3 To get some face cream, visit the **home entertainment / beauty** department.
- 4 If you need a new battery for your laptop, go to **menswear / computing and gaming**.
- 5 You can buy a TV in **accessories / home entertainment**.
- 6 **Sports / Toys** is the place to go to buy football boots.
- 7 **Womenswear / Accessories** has some great new designer dresses.
- 8 Children love to visit **menswear / toys**. They can play with all the things there.

B Write the letters from the store plan against the words 1-8.



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|----------------|-----|-----------------|-----|
| 1 stairs | [] | 5 first floor | [] |
| 2 lift | [] | 6 main entrance | [] |
| 3 escalator | [] | 7 ground floor | [] |
| 4 second floor | [] | 8 basement | [] |

C Match the questions 1-6 to the answers a-f.

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| 1 Can I try these on? | [b] |
| 2 Can I pay here? | [] |
| 3 How do I get to the second floor? | [] |
| 4 Where's 'womenswear', please? | [] |
| 5 Do you sell books for children? | [] |
| 6 When does the sale end? | [] |

- a) It's on the fourth floor.
- b) Of course. The changing rooms are over there.
- c) Yes, there are some down there, on the bottom shelf.
- d) There's an escalator just here.
- e) Sorry, this till's closed. Could you use that one?
- f) On Saturday. There are some great bargains.

5.6 Listen and check your answers.

Vocabulary Builder Quiz 5 (OVb pages 18-21)

Try the OVb quiz for unit 5. Write your answers in your notebook. Then check them and record your score.

A Find and complete the opposites of the words.

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| 1 happy | un _____ |
| 2 bottom | t _____ |
| 3 open | cl _____ |
| 4 up | d _____ |
| 5 go out | go _____ |

B Underline the word in each group which does NOT collocate.

- 1 a kilo of **apples / meat / sales**
- 2 a piece of **cheese / customer / cake**
- 3 a pair of **jeans / suit / shoes**
- 4 half a **window / a kilo of tomatoes / an hour**

C Underline the correct word.

- 1 Jake always wears a smart cotton / plastic shirt.
- 2 Those plates go on the medium / bottom shelf.
- 3 Theo gave me a gold / shape ring. It's beautiful.
- 4 Lula always wears a black leather / bottom jacket.
- 5 The whole family sat around the wooden / shape table.
- 6 The kitchen is a small, hard / square room.

D Complete with the prepositions in the box.

- 1 I love this dress. I'm going to try it _____.

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- 2 This bag is made _____ Italian leather.
- 3 Go _____ the escalator to get to the shoe department. It's on the third floor.
- 4 Can we go _____ through the main entrance?
- 5 I'm looking _____ my mobile phone. I can't find it.

E Match the beginnings 1-5 to the endings a-e.

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| 1 It's cold in here. I'll close | a) next spring. |
| 2 I'm really trying to improve | b) all their money last year. |
| 3 He's planning to retire | c) the shop with her husband. |
| 4 She manages | d) my English. |
| 5 They lost | e) the window. |

Score ____ / 25

Wait a couple of weeks and try the quiz again.
Compare your scores.