

1 Match the activities for Dublin, Ireland, with the types of interests. Write the letter on the line.

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| _____ 1. play golf on an island in Dublin Bay | a. history |
| _____ 2. enjoy fresh, local seafood | b. entertainment |
| _____ 3. see the 1,200-year-old Book of Kells at Trinity College | c. physical activities |
| _____ 4. visit the Dublin Zoo in Phoenix Park | d. good food |
| _____ 5. watch a performance of traditional Irish music and dance | e. family activities |

2 What do you like to do on vacation? Number the boxes in order, making number 1 your favorite.

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| _____ take pictures | _____ swim | _____ go snorkeling |
| _____ go shopping | _____ lie in the sun | _____ walk around and explore |
| _____ eat in restaurants | _____ watch movies or shows | _____ go to clubs |
| _____ visit museums | _____ walk on the beach | _____ play golf |

3 In your country, where would you go on vacation for . . .

good food and entertainment?

history and culture?

family activities?

physical activities?

Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland



LESSON 1

4 Complete the conversations. Write the best response on the lines. Use sentences from the box.

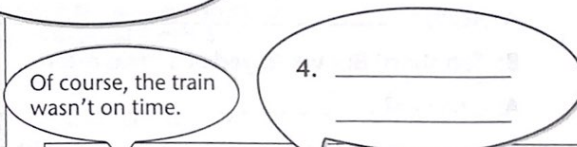
I'm fine, thanks.

Well, that's good.

That's too bad.

Not too bad, actually.

It was pretty long and boring.



5 Write statements. Use the words in parentheses and was, were, wasn't, or weren't.

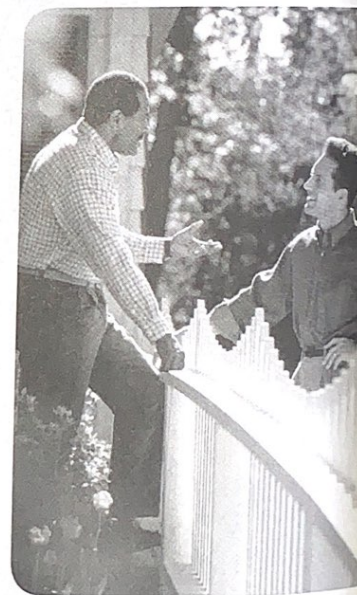
1. (The cruise / terrific) The cruise was terrific.
2. (The shops / quite nice) _____
3. (Our room / really small) _____
4. (There / not / many family activities) _____
5. (There / a lot of friendly people) _____
6. (The flight / not / very long) _____

6 Write yes / no questions and short answers. Use the past tense of be.

1. A: (your / bus trip / long) Was your bus trip long ?
B: No, it wasn't . It was less than an hour.
2. A: (the movie theater / open) _____ ?
B: Yes, _____ . They had a late show.
3. A: (the weather / good) _____ ?
B: No, _____ . It rained every day.
4. A: (there / a movie / on your flight) _____ ?
B: No, _____ . It was so boring!
5. A: (there / many people / on the train) _____ ?
B: Yes, _____ . We had to stand.

7 Complete the conversation with information questions. Use the past tense of be.

- A: Hey, Marty. _____ ?
1. Where / you / last weekend
B: My wife and I took a little vacation.
- A: Really? _____ ?
2. How / it
B: Too short! But we stayed at a great resort.
- A: Oh yeah? _____ ?
3. Where / the resort
B: Over in Wroxtton. We drove up Friday night.
- A: Wroxtton? That's rather far. _____ ?
4. How long / the drive
B: About three and a half hours. There wasn't any traffic.
- A: Nice! _____ ?
5. And / how / the weather
B: Actually, the weather was quite good. Only rained once!
- A: Sounds wonderful. _____ ?
6. How long / you / there
B: Just three days. We didn't want to come home!



8 Answer the questions. Use your own words.

1. "When was your last trip?" YOU _____
2. "How was the trip?" YOU _____
3. "How was the weather?" YOU _____

LESSON 2

9 Complete the chart with the present or simple past tense.

	Present tense	Simple past tense
1.	call	
2.		arrived
3.		studied
4.	get	
5.	stop	

	Present tense	Simple past tense
6.		went
7.	buy	
8.	do	
9.	leave	
10.		ate

10 Complete the sentences with the simple past tense.

- I buy some nice souvenirs, but I not spend a lot of money.
- We fly to Montreal, but we take the train back.
- We have a great time at the baseball game!
The kids eat hot dogs and drink soda,
and they watch the game, too—a little!
- I leave on Friday night. I get back at noon on Sunday.



11 Read the responses. Write questions in the simple past tense, using the words in parentheses. Use question words when necessary.

- A: (you / eat) Where did you eat?
B: We ate at a Japanese restaurant.
- A: (you / go with) _____?
B: I went with Janine.
- A: (you / like / the art exhibit) _____?
B: No, I didn't. It was kind of boring.
- A: (you / leave) _____?
B: We left on Tuesday morning.
- A: (she / buy) _____?
B: She bought some T-shirts.
- A: (he / play tennis) _____?
B: He played at the courts at his hotel.
- A: (you / stay) _____?
B: We stayed a little over a month.

12 Choose the correct responses to complete the conversation. Write the letter on the line.

A: Hi, Emily. I didn't see you at the gym last week.

B: 1.

A: Really? Where did you go?

B: 2.

A: No kidding! How was it?

B: 3.

A: That sounds incredible. Did you and your husband get to go out?

B: 4.

a. We visited my sister in California and took the kids to Disneyland.

b. Yes, we did. My sister baby-sat, and we ate at some really nice restaurants.

c. I didn't go. We were on vacation.

d. Fantastic. The kids had so much fun.

13 Answer the questions. Use your own words.

1. "Where did you go on your last vacation?"

YOU _____

2. "Did you have a good time?"

YOU _____

3. "What did you do?"

YOU _____

LESSONS 3 and 4

14 Read the vacation reviews on page 80 of the Student's Book again. Circle T for true or F for false about each statement. Find words in the text to support your answers.



T F 1. The spa vacation in Bali was relaxing.

...on healthy living and meditation. It was so quiet there!

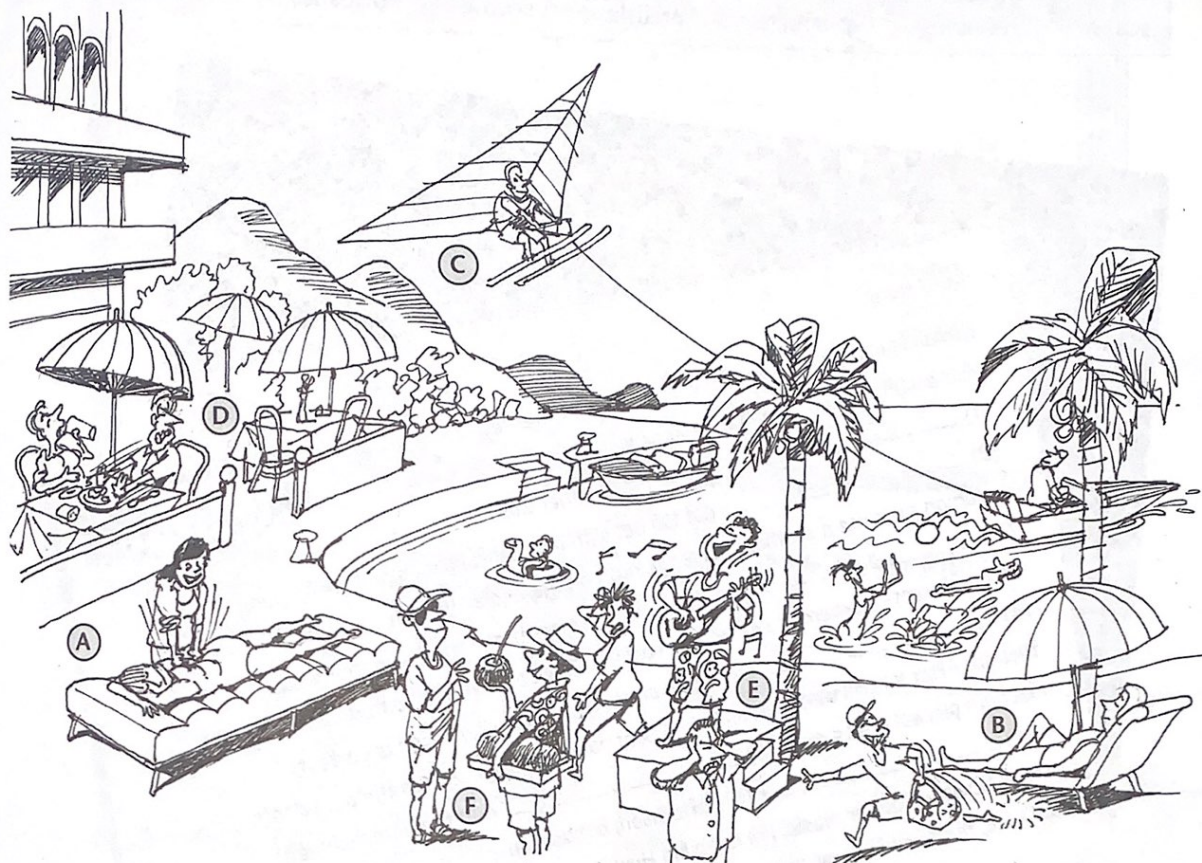
T F 2. The Victoria Falls vacation was boring.

T F 3. Jason K. and his wife are not going back to Bali again.

T F 4. Paula B. didn't think Victoria Falls was awesome.

T F 5. There wasn't time for shopping on Arturo Manuel R.'s trip.

T F 6. Jason K. and his wife enjoyed healthy food in Bali.



Now read the statements. Who is speaking? Match each statement to a person in the picture. Write the letter on the line.

We ate at the hotel restaurant.
The food was awful.

1. ____

I got a massage on the beach.
It was so relaxing!

4. ____

Someone stole my bag! I lost all
of my money and my passport.

2. ____

The entertainment was terrible.
They only had one musician—
and he needed guitar lessons!

5. ____

I went parasailing. A boat
pulled me up high in the air.
It was really exciting!

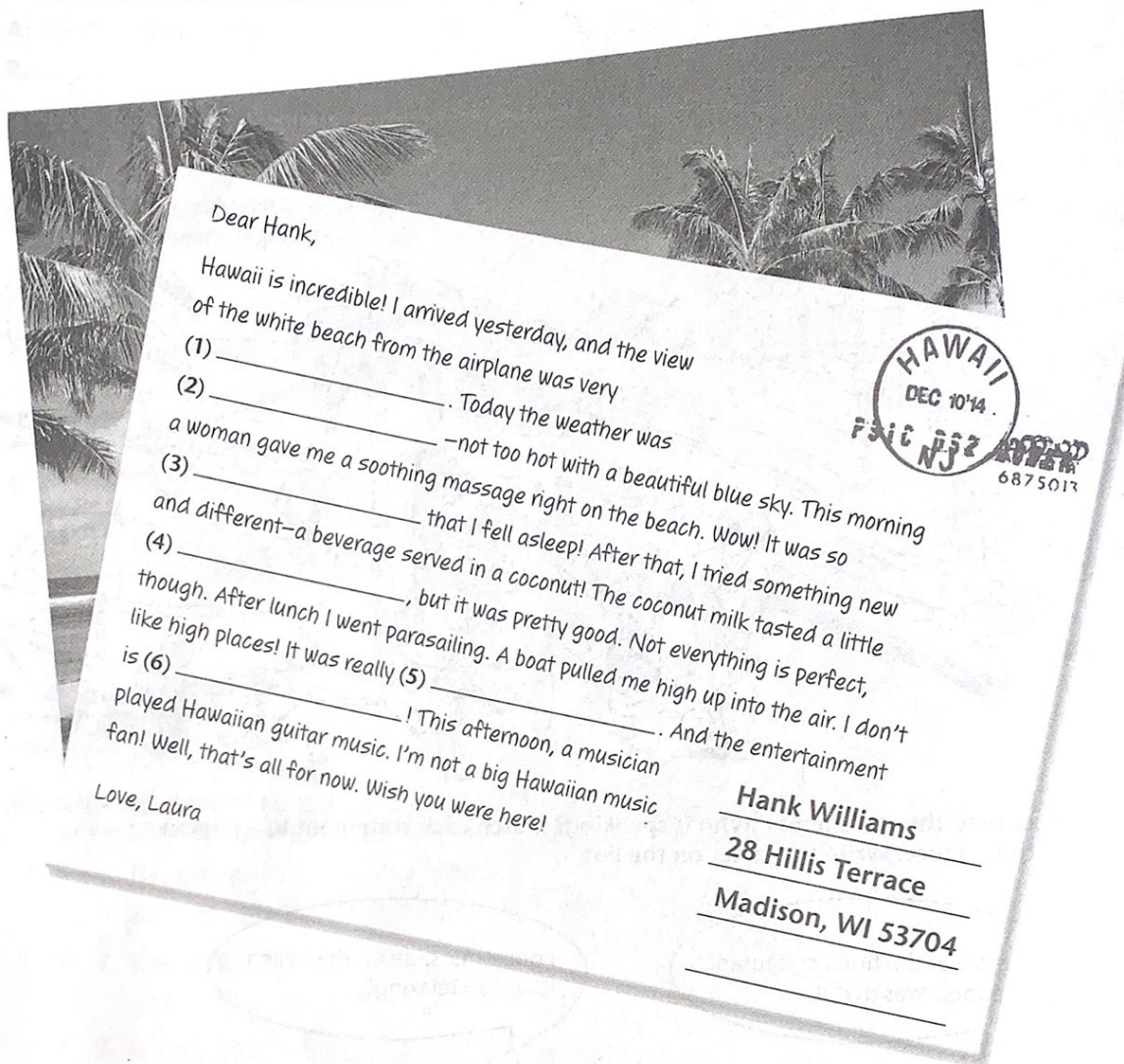
3. ____

The local beverages were terrific.
I had a drink made of coconut
milk every day at the beach.

6. ____

16 Complete the vacation postcard. Use adjectives from the box.

scary relaxing perfect terrible scenic unusual



Dear Hank,

Hawaii is incredible! I arrived yesterday, and the view of the white beach from the airplane was very (1) _____. Today the weather was (2) _____ - not too hot with a beautiful blue sky. This morning a woman gave me a soothing massage right on the beach. Wow! It was so (3) _____ that I fell asleep! After that, I tried something new and different - a beverage served in a coconut! The coconut milk tasted a little (4) _____, but it was pretty good. Not everything is perfect, though. After lunch I went parasailing. A boat pulled me high up into the air. I don't like high places! It was really (5) _____. And the entertainment is (6) _____. This afternoon, a musician played Hawaiian guitar music. I'm not a big Hawaiian music fan! Well, that's all for now. Wish you were here!

Love, Laura

Hank Williams
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Madison, WI 53704

GRAMMAR BOOSTER

A Choose the correct response. Write the letter on the line.

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| _____ 1. "How was your vacation?" | a. No, it wasn't. It rained all week. |
| _____ 2. "Where did you go?" | b. Terrific. It was so much fun. |
| _____ 3. "How long were you there?" | c. Jamaica. |
| _____ 4. "Was the weather good?" | d. Yes, there were. We were busy all the time. |
| _____ 5. "How were the rooms?" | e. Yes, it was good. But a little spicy. |
| _____ 6. "Were there a lot of things to do?" | f. Just a week. |
| _____ 7. "Was the food OK?" | g. Clean and comfortable. |

B Correct the errors in the e-mail message.

Dear Mari,

My vacation ^{was} ~~were~~ lots of fun! My family and I went to Hawaii. The only problem were the hotel. It was very nice. The beds were terrible. Everything else were perfect. There was many activities. My favorite activity wasn't parasailing. It were terrific.

Laura

C Write questions with the past tense of **be**. Then answer the questions with complete sentences. Use your own words.

1. when / your last vacation _____?
 (you) _____
2. it / long _____?
 (you) _____
3. the hotel / nice _____?
 (you) _____
4. how / the weather _____?
 (you) _____
5. how many / people / with you _____?
 (you) _____

D Complete the paragraph. Use the simple past tense of words from the box. Some words can be used more than once.

drink	stop	travel	take	shop	watch	be	walk
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In January, I _____^{1.} to Morocco with my friend Nan. We explored the narrow streets of the medieval medina in Marrakech. The medina is closed to traffic. So, there _____^{2.} no cars, but there _____^{3.} a lot of donkeys. We _____^{4.} for hours and _____^{5.} often to look at the beautiful carpets for sale. We _____^{6.} for inexpensive leather goods, _____^{7.} mint tea, and _____^{8.} street performers. We wandered all afternoon. We got lost, and then we _____^{9.} a taxi back to our hotel.

E Rewrite the sentences. Use the simple past tense and a past time expression.

1. We go to the beach every year. We went to the beach last year.
2. The weather isn't very nice today. _____
3. We don't stay in a hotel. _____
4. I often cook clams at the beach. _____
5. Everyone has a good time. _____
6. What do you do in the summer? _____

F Read the statements. Write questions to ask for more information, using the words in parentheses.

1. A: She bought a new printer. B: Why did she buy a new printer ? (why)
2. A: She went on vacation. B: _____ ? (where)
3. A: They went to the gym. B: _____ ? (when)
4. A: I visited some friends. B: _____ ? (who)
5. A: He spent a lot of money. B: _____ ? (how much)

WRITING BOOSTER

A Read the sentences about Amy's weekend trip to Chicago with her girlfriends.

1. They all flew to Chicago and met at the airport.
2. They checked into their hotel downtown and got dressed to go out.
3. They saw the musical *Jersey Boys*.
4. On Saturday, they went to the spa and got massages.
5. They went shopping on Michigan Avenue.
6. They had a delicious steak dinner at a nice restaurant.
7. They listened to jazz music at an uptown club.
8. They went out dancing.
9. They said good-bye and returned home on Sunday.

B On a separate sheet of paper, write a paragraph about Amy's trip. Use time clauses and time-order transition words.

Let me tell you about Amy's trip to Chicago with her girlfriends. First, ...

The Top 10 Most Visited Tourist Attractions in the World

1. Times Square—New York City (U.S.)
2. National Mall & Memorial Parks—Washington, D.C. (U.S.)
3. Disney World's Magic Kingdom—Orlando, Florida (U.S.)
4. Trafalgar Square—London (U.K.)
5. Disneyland Park—Anaheim, California (U.S.)
6. Niagara Falls—Canada and U.S.
7. Fisherman's Wharf—San Francisco, California (U.S.)
8. Tokyo Disneyland—Tokyo (Japan)
9. Notre Dame Cathedral—Paris (France)
10. Disneyland—Paris (France)