

9 Grammar, Vocabulary, Pronunciation, and Practical English



GRAMMAR

1 Underline the correct word.

Example: There **is** / **are** forty people in the hotel.

- There aren't **some** / **any** books in Sonia's living room.
- Are there **some** / **any** pictures on the wall?
- There **is** / **are** a wonderful view of the mountains from here.
- Is there **a** / **some** café near here?
- There **isn't** / **aren't** any beds in the room.

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2 Underline the correct simple past form.

Example: They **wasn't** / **weren't** famous.

- Was he** / **Were he** late?
- Where **were you** / **you were** last weekend?
- Suzanne **was** / **were** a waitress a long time ago.
- Ted and I **was** / **were** here at 9:00 this morning.
- Was** / **Were** you in Canada last summer?

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Grammar total 10

VOCABULARY

3 Complete the description with *in*, *at* or *on*.

Mike lives *in* a small apartment ¹ _____ Boston. He usually works ² _____ home. Yesterday morning, he called his friends. Everyone was busy! Tyler was ³ _____ the gym, Catherine was ⁴ _____ her car, and Alison was ⁵ _____ the airport.

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4 Match the places in the box to what the people want to do.

~~post office~~ swimming pool airport
pharmacy bank hotel

Example: Kay wants to send a letter. *post office*

- David wants to fly to New York. _____
- Vickie wants to swim. _____
- Sue wants a room with a TV and shower. _____
- Harry is sick and wants to buy some medicine. _____

5 Joe wants some money. _____

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Vocabulary total 10

PRONUNCIATION

5 Match the words with the same sound.

~~nurse~~ airport here toilet was were

Example: first *nurse*

- where _____
- enjoy _____
- up _____
- work _____
- near _____

Pronunciation total 5

PRACTICAL ENGLISH

6 Look at the map then complete the two dialogues with the words in the box.

hotel

bank

bookstore

you are
here

museum

pharmacy

post office

gas station

turn right on the left between next to straight

1 A Where's the post office, please?

B Uh...OK. Go ¹ _____ then ² _____. It's ³ _____ the pharmacy.

A Thanks.

2 A Excuse me. Is there a bank near here?

B Yes. It's ⁴ _____. It's ⁵ _____ the hotel and the bookstore.

A Thank you very much.

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Grammar, Vocabulary, Pronunciation, and Practical English total 30

9 Reading and Writing **A**

READING

- 1 Read the text and complete the sentences with the correct number.

A fantastic hotel

Last summer, my wife and I were in Las Vegas for a week. For the first five days, we were with our friends, Jimmy and Diane. They live in Las Vegas. For the last two days, my wife and I were in a beautiful hotel. It was the Venetian Resort Hotel on the Las Vegas strip. The Venetian is modern, luxurious, and very big! There are 7,000 rooms and suites in the hotel, and there were three TVs in our suite – one in the bedroom, one in the living room, and one in the bathroom.

You can find everything at the Venetian. There is a casino in the hotel and there are 17 restaurants. Our first dinner there was at the Bouchon restaurant. It was fantastic – but very expensive!

The hotel is really great! There is a small lake near the entrance, and on the fourth floor there are three swimming pools and a spa. On the second floor, there is a big shopping center with canals and gondolas. We went on a gondola. I thought I was in Venice!

There are a lot of things to do at the Venetian. You can visit Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum with statues of famous Hollywood actors. You can go to the nightclub or see a show at one of the theaters. There are three of them! We weren't interested in the wax museum or the nightclub, but on Sunday evening there was a great show at the Blue Man Theater, and an art exhibition at the hotel's art gallery.

Example: They were in Las Vegas for seven days.

- In a suite at the Venetian hotel, there are _____ TVs.
- There are _____ restaurants in the hotel.
- There is a spa on the _____ floor.
- You can ride on a gondola on the _____ floor.
- There are _____ theaters in the hotel.
- In the museum were statues of Hollywood _____.

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- 2 Read the text again and check (✓) True or False.

- The writer and his wife were with Jimmy and Diane for a week.
True ☐ False ☐
- The writer was on vacation for a week.
True ☐ False ☐

- The writer was at the Venetian Resort hotel for five nights.
True ☐ False ☐
- The writer's dinner on Saturday was at a restaurant at the hotel.
True ☐ False ☐
- The hotel pool is on the second floor.
True ☐ False ☐
- There's no shopping center at the hotel.
True ☐ False ☐
- You can see many famous Hollywood actors in the hotel.
True ☐ False ☐
- The writer and his wife were interested in the nightclub.
True ☐ False ☐
- There was an art exhibition at the Blue Man Theater.
True ☐ False ☐

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Reading total 15

WRITING

Answer the vacation questionnaire and write a description of your last vacation and the place you stayed in.

VACATION QUESTIONNAIRE

The vacation

Where were you on your last vacation?

When were you there?

Who were you with?

The hotel

Where was the hotel?

Can you describe the place?

Was it a nice place? Why (not)?

Writing total 10

Reading and Writing total 25

9 Listening and Speaking **A**

LISTENING

1 Listen to Roger and Sylvia talking about their lunch today. Put a check (✓) if the information is correct. Write an X if the information is incorrect.

- 1 Today is Roger's birthday. ☐
- 2 Roger was with Nancy at lunchtime. ☐
- 3 Roger and Chandler were at a Mexican restaurant at lunchtime. ☐
- 4 The Mexican restaurant is near the park. ☐
- 5 Roger is hungry now. ☐

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2 Listen to five conversations. Check (✓) True or False.

- 1 The pool and gym are open now.
True ☐ False ☐
- 2 There are three pictures on Jack's wall.
True ☐ False ☐
- 3 There is a good Chinese restaurant in Jenny's town.
True ☐ False ☐
- 4 The woman is using Tom's cell phone.
True ☐ False ☐
- 5 There was a television in Donna's room at the hotel.
True ☐ False ☐

☐ 5

Listening total ☐ 10

3 You're new in your partner's town. Ask your partner questions about what there is in the town and complete the fact file.

Is there a...?

Are there any...?

Where / it? Where / they?

Town Fact File	
What is there?	Location
good coffee shops	
good restaurants	
an interesting museum	
nice parks	
expensive clothing stores	
a big supermarket	
a good, cheap hotel	

4 Your partner is a new student at your school. Answer his/her questions about your school with true information.

Speaking total ☐ 15

Listening and Speaking total ☐ 25

SPEAKING

1 Ask your partner these questions.

- 1 Can you describe the house you lived in when you were a child? Where was it? What rooms were there in the house and where were they?
- 2 Can you remember your bedroom? What was there in the bedroom? Where was the bed, table, etc.? What was on the walls?

2 Now answer your partner's questions.