

## 2 Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation

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ENGLISH FILE 2

## GRAMMAR

- 1 Complete the dialogue. Use the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

**Matt** *Did you enjoy* (you enjoy) your trip to Mexico?

**Colin** I had a great time!

**Matt** That's good. Where <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (you stay)?

**Colin** In a really nice hotel in Acapulco.

**Matt** Who <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (you go) with?

**Colin** Ben and Daniel. We had a few problems while we were there.

**Matt** What <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (happen)?

**Colin** Daniel lost his passport and his wallet.

**Matt** Really? What <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (he do)?

**Colin** We went to the police station.

**Matt** What <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (they say)?

**Colin** Well – Daniel's things were there!

**Matt** That was lucky! Who <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (find) them?

**Colin** Two tourists – at the beach.

**Matt** That was very lucky!

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- 2 Complete the sentences with *so*, *because*, *but*, or *although*.

Example: We're learning Portuguese because we want to visit Brazil.

1 It was raining, \_\_\_\_\_ they stayed at home.

2 We asked Max to come to the pub with us, \_\_\_\_\_ he was too busy.

3 \_\_\_\_\_ we didn't have a lot of money, we were happy.

4 Fabian doesn't eat chocolate \_\_\_\_\_ he's on a diet.

5 It was cold, \_\_\_\_\_ I wore my sweater.

6 \_\_\_\_\_ it was late, we weren't tired.

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- 3 Complete the sentences. Put the verb in parentheses in the past simple or the past continuous.

Example: I saw Jeremy when I was driving (drive) down Main Street.

1 \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (walk) to work yesterday?

2 Last week they \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a new TV.

3 \_\_\_\_\_ Julie \_\_\_\_\_ (wear) her new dress when you saw her?

4 Naomi \_\_\_\_\_ (not study) when I called.

5 We \_\_\_\_\_ (see) Javier at the gym yesterday afternoon.

6 I \_\_\_\_\_ (not go) to the movies with them last night.

7 What \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (do) at eight o'clock last night?

8 It \_\_\_\_\_ (not rain) when we got up this morning.

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Grammar total 20

## VOCABULARY

- 4 Complete the sentences with the correct word.

Example: Did you buy any souvenirs when you were in the UK?

buy take have

1 Tim and Alice \_\_\_\_\_ most of their time at the beach when they're on vacation.

go buy spend

2 The weather was awful. It was \_\_\_\_\_ every day.

foggy warm sunny

3 You need a passport if you want to go \_\_\_\_\_.

abroad by plane on vacation

4 Concha and Miguel \_\_\_\_\_ the flights online.

looked booked rented

5 We didn't \_\_\_\_\_ many photos when we went to Singapore.

do have take

6 They went \_\_\_\_\_ for a few days in April.

out away by car

7 The food at the hotel was \_\_\_\_\_.

crowded delicious comfortable

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B

American  
ENGLISH FILE 25 Complete the sentences with **at**, **in**, or **on**.Example: There was nowhere to sit on the bus.

- 1 They had breakfast \_\_\_\_\_ the balcony.
- 2 I arrived \_\_\_\_\_ the station ten minutes before the train left.
- 3 Martha was born \_\_\_\_\_ New York.
- 4 What did you do \_\_\_\_\_ the weekend?
- 5 They played football \_\_\_\_\_ the afternoon.
- 6 We got married \_\_\_\_\_ October 12th.

 66 Underline the correct verb.Example: invite / give / eat someone to dinner

- 1 **run** / wait / **invite** for a friend
- 2 **play** / **run** / **be** in a hurry
- 3 **drive** / **meet** / wait along the street
- 4 **take** / give / **play** a song
- 5 **leave** / **have** / wait a good time
- 6 **be** / **take** / **have** someone to a restaurant
- 7 **have** / **run** / **meet** across the road

 7Vocabulary total  20

## PRONUNCIATION

7 Underline the stressed syllable.Example: a|part|ment

- 1 sight|see|ing
- 2 a|broad
- 3 in|vite
- 4 friend|ly
- 5 com|forta|ble

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## 8 Match the words with the past forms which have the same sound.

could dog rented said saw tieExample: bought saw

- 1 argued \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 understood \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 asked \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 started \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 read \_\_\_\_\_

 5Pronunciation total  10Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation total  50

## 2 Reading and Writing B

### READING

- 1 Read the article from a travel magazine and check (✓) A, B, or C.

## My vacation disaster

Although I work in downtown Philadelphia now, I like going to the mountains when I can. Last winter I decided to spend a week in Vermont. I wanted to go skiing and walking in the mountains. I looked on the Internet and booked a cabin (a small house) for a week. One Friday night last November, I packed my bags, went to Philadelphia airport, and waited to get on a plane to Burlington.

Then the problems started. The plane didn't leave that night. There was a lot of snow in Vermont and they closed the Burlington airport. So I spent the night at the Philadelphia airport. I drank a lot of coffee and read a lot of newspapers. I tried to sleep, but I wasn't comfortable. The next morning, the Burlington airport opened again, and we arrived in Vermont. But my bags weren't there.

I rented a car and drove to the cabin. It was a 45-minute drive from the airport. When I arrived, there was a family with two little children in the cabin! They booked on the Internet, too – for the same week. The family was really nice. They said I could sleep in the living room, and they cooked dinner for me.

The next day, I got my bags from the airport and decided to go skiing. But the mountain road was closed because of the snow. I didn't ski and I didn't go walking in the mountains. I spent the week in the cabin waiting to go home – it wasn't my favorite vacation!

Example: The writer works in a bank.

A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☒

- 1 The writer decided to spend three weeks in Vermont.  
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 2 He wanted to go skiing in the mountains.  
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 3 He went to Philadelphia airport on Friday night.  
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 4 The weather in Vermont was good.  
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 5 The writer spent the night in an airport hotel.  
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 6 The next day he arrived at Burlington airport before midday.  
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 7 There was a family staying at the cabin.  
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

- 8 At the cabin, the family made pizza for the writer.  
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 9 Next day, the mountain road was closed because of the snow.  
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 10 The writer didn't go skiing or walking in the mountains.  
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

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- 2 Read the article again and answer the questions.

1 Where does the writer work?

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2 How did the writer book the cabin?

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3 What did the writer drink at the airport?

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4 What didn't arrive at Burlington airport?

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5 How did the writer travel to the cabin?

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Reading total	15
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### WRITING

Write a short essay about a vacation you really enjoyed. Answer these questions. (100–150 words)

- Where did you go on vacation?
- Who did you go with?
- How did you travel?
- What did you do?
- What was the weather like?

### A vacation I enjoyed

I went to ...

Writing total	10
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Reading and Writing total	25
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2 Listening and Speaking **B**

## LISTENING

1 Listen to Annette describing a vacation. Check (✓) A, B, or C to complete the sentences.

- 1 Annette went on vacation \_\_\_\_\_.  
A last spring ☐ B last winter ☐  
C last summer ☐
- 2 At the beach party, her boyfriend talked to \_\_\_\_\_.  
A another girl ☐ B Annette ☐  
C the young people ☐
- 3 On the safari bus, they saw \_\_\_\_\_ again.  
A the young people ☐  
B the girl from the party ☐ C their friends ☐
- 4 On safari, they stayed in a \_\_\_\_\_.  
A tent ☐ B hotel ☐ C hut ☐
- 5 When they got home, Annette and her boyfriend \_\_\_\_\_.  
A moved to Boston ☐  
B planned their next holiday ☐ C broke up ☐

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2 Listen to Nicole describing her photos. Match 1–5 with A–E.

- 1 At 14 ... ☐
  - 2 At 15 ... ☐
  - 3 At 24 ... ☐
  - 4 At 25 ... ☐
  - 5 At 28 ... ☐
- A she was crying because her brother was leaving.  
B she went on vacation to Spain with her family.  
C she ate in expensive restaurants in Paris.  
D she worked in a café in Sydney.  
E she went skiing in Italy with her school.

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Listening total	10
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## SPEAKING

1 Answer your partner's questions.

Now ask your partner these questions.

- 1 Do you enjoy taking photos when you go on vacation? Why (not)?
- 2 What's your favorite photo from when you were young? Can you describe it?
- 3 What's the best photo you've ever seen / taken? Where were you at the time?

2 Write questions and ask your partner about a famous photo.

- What / name / photo?
- Who / take?
- What year / take?
- Can / describe?
- Why / famous?

3 Now read the information about a famous photo and answer your partner's questions.

Name of photo: 'Lunchtime atop a Skyscraper'  
Photographer: Charles Ebbets  
Year: 1932  
Description: eleven men having lunch / sitting high above the streets on a metal bar / can see New York streets below  
Reason it is famous: amazing photo / men sitting high up in the sky / New York looks very far below them

Speaking total	15
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Listening and Speaking total	25
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