



## Learning Focus

- Reading** Making references
- Grammar** Tenses – Present, Past & Future + Adjectives – ‘-ing’ adjectives / ‘-ed’ adjectives
- Writing** Organising ideas according to prompts
- Speaking** Giving opinions effectively



## Reading



**A** Daisy wrote a postcard to her cousin, Julie. Read the postcard. For Questions 1-5, choose the best answers. Then fill in the blanks for Questions 6-8 and answer Question 9 in a complete sentence.

Hi Julie,

Guess what? I'm on a trip with my family in Japan!

We arrived in Osaka the day before yesterday.

Mum shopped a lot here. Today, we visited Universal Studios Japan. The motion-based dark rides were so exciting and the effects were so realistic! They're more amazing than those in Hong Kong Disneyland.

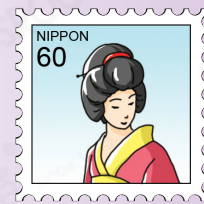
We're going to leave Osaka tomorrow morning. We planned to go to Fukuoka but we have just cancelled this stop because of an Earthquake Early Warning.

Dad said we would go to Tokyo instead and spend four days there before we went home. He said Tokyo is also a shopper's paradise with all kinds of stores. Lorraine and I are going to a toy shop to buy some dolls of our favourite Japanese cartoon characters!

Wish you were here with us!

Love,

Daisy



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- According to the text, which of the following is TRUE?
  - A. Daisy visited Universal Studios Japan on the second day in Osaka.
  - B. Daisy will buy dolls of Japanese cartoon characters for Julie.
  - C. Daisy is disappointed with the rides in Hong Kong Disneyland.
  - D. Daisy and her family have stayed in Osaka for three days.
- How many cities may Daisy visit in her trip to Japan?
  - A. two
  - B. three
  - C. four
  - D. five
- Read line 4: Mum shopped a lot here.  
‘Here’ refers to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A. in Osaka
  - B. in Tokyo
  - C. in Universal Studios Japan
  - D. in Hong Kong
- Read lines 6-7: They’re more amazing than those in Hong Kong Disneyland.  
The word ‘those’ refers to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A. the roller coasters
  - B. all the rides
  - C. the atmosphere created
  - D. the motion-based dark rides
- Where does Daisy want to visit in Tokyo?



Find out where Daisy was when she wrote the postcard.


 A.

 B.

 C.

 D.

- Why did Daisy’s family change their second destination from Fukuoka to Tokyo?  
It was because an (a) \_\_\_\_\_ was issued in  
(b) \_\_\_\_\_ so it would be dangerous to go there.
- The word ‘\_\_\_\_\_’ in the postcard means ‘a place where travellers stay for a short time during a journey’.
- In line 17, the word ‘us’ refers to \_\_\_\_\_.
- Did Daisy enjoy her visit to Universal Studios Japan? Why or why not?

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**C** Patricia is reading some food riddles. Read the riddles. For Questions 1-2, choose the best answers. Then fill in the blanks for Question 3.

### Riddle 1

I am made with bread. I am round in shape.  
People like to fill me up with a lot of food,  
Like cheese, beef, tomatoes and lettuce.  
Come and find me with your friends!

### Riddle 2

I am made with rice. 5  
People can eat me with chopsticks or their hands.  
They bathe me in soy sauce.  
There is usually a piece of raw fish lying on me.

### Riddle 3

I speak Indian. 10  
I taste good with meat and vegetables.  
Be careful when you eat me as I can stain terribly.  
It is difficult to remove me from your clothes.

- Where can the food described in Riddle 1 be found?  
 A. in a Chinese restaurant       B. in an American restaurant  
 C. in a Korean restaurant       D. in a Vietnamese restaurant
- Read line 11: Be careful when you eat me as I can stain terribly.  
The word 'you' refers to \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. Patricia       B. the writer  
 C. Indians       D. the reader
- Fill in each blank with one word from the text.

The Japanese like to eat sushi with their bare (a) \_\_\_\_\_ or chopsticks.  
Also, most Indians enjoy eating curry. They eat it carefully because it is not easy to  
(b) \_\_\_\_\_ the curry stains.

**A** Daisy is telling a tourist how to go to the Avenue of Stars in Tsim Sha Tsui. Complete what she says with the correct form of the given words.

You 1. \_\_\_\_\_ (be) currently at the Star Ferry Pier. First, turn right and walk straight. Soon, you 2. \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) at a wide path along the harbour. 3. \_\_\_\_\_ (walk) along the path, soon you 4. \_\_\_\_\_ (see) the Hong Kong Museum of Art on your left. Walk past the museum. The main entrance to the Avenue of Stars there 5. \_\_\_\_\_ (be) still open for use last week, but the typhoon a few days ago 6. \_\_\_\_\_ (blow) some trees down. The road is now blocked so you have to walk towards InterContinental Hotel. Near the hotel, you 7. \_\_\_\_\_ (find) another entrance to the Avenue of Stars.



Daisy

**B** Julie is writing a journal entry about her trip to Bali. Complete the journal entry with the correct form of the given words.

18 July 20XX (Thursday)

I 1. \_\_\_\_\_ (travel) around Bali now. It 2. \_\_\_\_\_ (be) two days since I arrived here. I 3. \_\_\_\_\_ (not go) sightseeing yesterday because of the terrible weather. I had to stay in the hotel all day long. Fortunately, the weather turned nice today so I went to the beach. While I 4. \_\_\_\_\_ (sunbath) under an umbrella, a lifeguard 5. \_\_\_\_\_ (come) to me. '6. \_\_\_\_\_ you ever \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) here before? I think I 7. \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) you once,' he said. 'Well, this 8. \_\_\_\_\_ (be) my first time here!' I said. It was really awkward! By the way, the weather forecast reported that there 9. \_\_\_\_\_ (be) heavy downpours the next few days in Bali. I don't want to be trapped in the hotel again!



Patricia is reading some comments about Sabah online. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the given words.

http://www.avidtravellers.com/forum

### Avid Travellers Online Forum

Is Sabah worth visiting? Share your thoughts here!

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**Wonderful scenery** *By George Kidman (22/8 23:30)*  
 Sabah is a beautiful place. I was really 1. \_\_\_\_\_(amaze) when I saw the spectacular scenery in Kinabalu Park!

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**Love the beaches** *By Amy Watson (22/8/ 23:16)*  
 It was 2. \_\_\_\_\_(relax) to sit on the beaches and look at the crystal clear water. Sabah is an awesome place for spending a long holiday!

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**Delicious Malaysian food** *By Sandra Yeung (22/8 22:27)*  
 The seafood in Sabah is out of this world! It is cheap and very yummy. I bet food lovers won't be 3. \_\_\_\_\_(disappoint) in this seafood paradise.

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**Best resort ever** *By Daniel Smith (22/8 21:09)*  
 My family stayed at Rosemary Resort for four days. My wife and my children were very 4. \_\_\_\_\_(satisfy) with its peaceful setting. It was 5. \_\_\_\_\_(surprise) that the hotel even prepared a bunch of roses for my wife as a birthday gift! That's very thoughtful of you, Rosemary!

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**Fantastic first-time snorkelling experience** *By Sam Lee (22/8 20:15)*  
 If you like water sports, Sabah will never be a 6. \_\_\_\_\_(bore) vacation spot to you. There are many water sports activities for you to choose from, such as snorkelling, scuba diving and wakeboarding. I tried snorkelling for the first time there! I felt 7. \_\_\_\_\_(excite) to see different kinds of colourful tropical fish swimming around me!



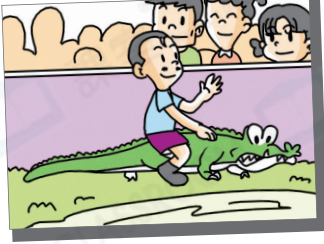


We use '-ed' adjectives to describe people's feelings.

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✓ Iris was touched by the heartwarming news about a blind cat.

# Writing

**A** Patricia is writing a letter to Julie about her trip to Thailand. Help Patricia complete her letter with the help of the pictures and the given words.

| Day 1   | Day 2   | Day 3   |
|---|---|---|
|  |  |  |
| crocodile farm /<br>excite / ride on  | banana boat / beach /<br>water games / frighten / interest                        | clothes / flea market / fruit /<br>shopping / inexpensive / stylish                 |

27<sup>th</sup> August, 20XX

Dear Julie,

How are you? I went to Thailand with my family for three days last week. On the first day, my family and I 1. \_\_\_\_\_ . We watched a performance put on by the crocodile trainers there. I felt 2. \_\_\_\_\_ when 3. \_\_\_\_\_ !



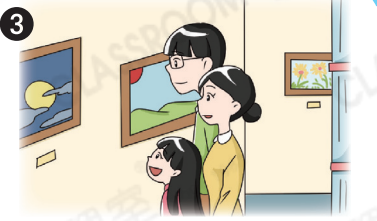
The next day, we 4. \_\_\_\_\_ and 5. \_\_\_\_\_ . At first I thought it was 6. \_\_\_\_\_ but later I found that I was wrong. It 7. \_\_\_\_\_ . We enjoyed the day very much.

On the last day of our trip, we 8. \_\_\_\_\_ . It was great to see so many stalls there. We 9. \_\_\_\_\_ .

I know you are going to Italy next month. Will you visit the Leaning Tower of Pisa? Please write soon.

Love,  
Patricia

**B** Julie is writing a letter back to Patricia about her trip to Italy. Help Julie complete her letter with the help of the pictures and the given words.

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|---|---|---|
|  |       |  |
| <p>1 family photos / Rome / the Leaning Tower of Pisa / amaze / lean / stand</p>  | <p>2 angel statues / St. Peter's Basilica / relax / sing hymns / gorgeous and large</p> | <p>3 galleries / museums / paintings / bore / wonderful</p>                         |



Use the prompts provided to organise your writing. Pay attention to the changes of tenses.

15<sup>th</sup> September, 20XX

Dear Patricia,

I am so glad to receive your letter! I am now travelling around Italy with my family. Yesterday, we 1. \_\_\_\_\_ . The weather was glorious so we walked around the city and had a nice time. We 2. \_\_\_\_\_ .

\_\_\_\_\_ . I am still 3. \_\_\_\_\_ .

Today, we 4. \_\_\_\_\_ . It is one of the most 5. \_\_\_\_\_ churches in Rome. Inside it, there 6. \_\_\_\_\_ . They were beautiful! Some children 7. \_\_\_\_\_ to us while we were walking around the church. I felt 8. \_\_\_\_\_ .

Tomorrow, we 9. \_\_\_\_\_ . We 10. \_\_\_\_\_ .

there. I hope it won't 11. \_\_\_\_\_ . Let me tell you more about them later!

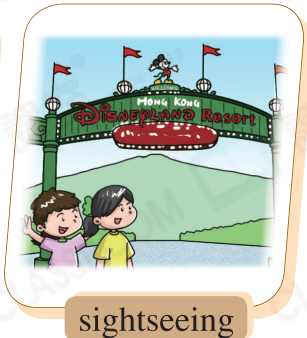
Best,

Julie

## Speaking

### A Read aloud.

1. What can you see in the pictures? Read the words aloud.



2. Read the sentences to your classmate. Then circle the 's' sounds.

Susan went to America in winter. She visited the Statue of Liberty. She went skiing and built snowmen too. She had a great time there.

### B Read the text aloud. Then answer the questions.

#### Notice to Passengers Wonderful Airlines

- Please arrive at the airport two hours before your flight departure time. It is to make sure that you have enough time to check in and pass the security screening.
- Do not take liquids more than 100 ml in total in your hand luggage. Examples of liquids include shampoo and hand lotion.
- Do not place your portable power bank in your baggage. It poses a risk to the safety of both the plane and all the passengers on it.
- You must not use your mobile phone when the plane takes off. It may interfere with the ground networks.
- Please contact us if you have any questions. Our hotline is 2575 8900.

1. Your plane takes off at 9 pm. When should you arrive at the airport? Why?
2. Can you talk on the phone when the plane takes off? Why?
3. You want to know more about your flight. What should you do?

**C** Talk about travelling with your classmate.

1. What is your favourite country? Why?
2. Have you ever travelled abroad?  
(If yes,) Where did you go?  
What did you see or do there?  
(If no,) Who do you want to travel with?  
How do you feel about travelling abroad?
3. Do you like travelling by plane? Why?

**D** Daisy is reading a leaflet about travelling. Read the leaflet. Then choose a place to talk about with the help of the given questions.

| Popular Places of the Year  |   |
|---|---|
| <p><b>Vietnam</b></p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Take a traditional bamboo boat cruise in Halong Bay</li><li>➤ Admire the relaxing scenery on the emerald water</li></ul> | <p><b>Australia</b></p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Appreciate the extraordinary beauty of the Great Barrier Reef</li><li>➤ Go snorkelling and explore the underwater world</li></ul> |
|  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Taste the Vietnamese noodles: noodles in beef soup (Pho)</li><li>➤ Experience the local food culture</li></ul>                                |  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Visit the koalas in Australia Zoo</li><li>➤ Watch them munch on leaves and give them a big hug</li></ul>   |

1. When will you travel to this place?
2. Who will you go to this place with?
3. Why do you choose this place?
4. What will you do in this place?



To give opinions effectively, select the information that is useful and relevant to your choice.