

Nombre: _____

1. Read and answer

Max Phantom wants to have a new experience abroad. He is now reading some brochures so as to try to decide where to go.



City scenes - Where would you go?

Mexico. Mexico’s cities are modern but have traditional Indian and Spanish influences. The most important buildings are around a central square, which also serves as a place to meet with friends. There are outdoor marketplaces, where people can find almost anything they need. On Sundays, parks are a popular place for family outings. Many people move to Mexico City from rural areas. It has a lot of excitement, but also lots of traffic and air pollution.

Japan. Japan’s cities also have a mix of traditional and modern characteristics. There are tall office and apartment buildings as well as traditional wooden houses. Many people prefer to live near the center of cities, but because houses there are expensive, they often commute from suburbs. Traffic, pollution, and crowds are problems. However, there is little crime, and even very crowded cities have many parks and gardens.

Australia. Although 80% of Australians live near cities, the cities are not as large as those in some other countries. Most people live in houses in suburbs – not in apartments. The suburbs usually have their own churches, schools, and shopping centers. They also have recreational facilities. In large cities, like Sydney, the suburbs are often far from the center of town. Because many people commute to work, traffic is slow and there are many traffic jams.

1. There is a lot of pollution in Mexico, Japan and Australia. TRUE FALSE
2. Where can you buy a lot of necessary things in Mexico?

3. Why do most people in Japan live in the suburbs and commute to work in the cities?

4. Where do most people in Australia live?

- _____
5. In Australia most people go to work by train. TRUE FALSE

2. Choose the correct verb.

Max’s aunt, Nancy, was born in England, but she **LIVED / LIVES** in Perth, Australia. She **WAS GOING / WENT** to Australia in 1995 when her husband, Jack **DIED / DIES**.

She is 80 years old now, but she **IS STILL WORKING / STILL WORKS**. She is an artist. She **PAINTED / PAINTS** pictures of cats for birthday cards. She started **PAINTING / PAINTED** in 1996. At first she did it as a hobby. But one day she **PAINTED / WAS PAINTING** in the park when a man wanted **TO BUY / BOUGHT** one of her cards. In 1999 she began making and selling birthday cards.

Next week she **HAD / IS GOING TO HAVE** an interview with Hallmark Cards.
Max thinks they **WILL ASK / ASKED** her to work for them.



3. Complete with words from the box. Be careful. There's an extra word!

THEM	ANY	IF	BUT	ABOUT	HOW	BECAUSE	THERE	MUST	AND	LIKE
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Max's aunt invited him to visit her in Australia. He can't stay at her home _____ it is very small, _____ he will live with David and Rosa, two of her friends. They don't have _____ children but they've got a large house and _____ are three rooms that nobody uses. Max will stay in one of _____. He doesn't know _____ long he's going to stay. _____ he has money, he will stay for a month.

Max's parents are very happy for him. It looks _____ an excellent way for Max to visit a foreign country. They're only a bit worried _____ the cost. They _____ put aside some extra money to help Max.

4. **Read about David and Rosa and complete with ONE word from the box. Be careful! There's an extra word.**

PROUD	FIRST	ANYTHING	WORK	BEST	SOMETHING	LATER
	SHOPPING	HOME	ANYBODY	NEED		

David is a bank manager and Rosa is a doctor in a large hospital. David gets up at 7.30 a.m. and has a shower. He leaves home at 8.30 and goes to _____ by train. He arrives at the bank at 9.00. Usually there isn't _____ at the bank at that time. He is the _____ one to get there.



Rosa gets up _____ than David. She doesn't _____ to get to the hospital before 1.00 in the afternoon. Rosa is very _____ of her job at the hospital. She thinks it's the _____ hospital in Perth.



David finishes work at 5.30 p.m. and goes _____ in a supermarket near the bank. He has _____ to eat and then he usually watches TV in the living room until Rosa arrives _____ at 10.00. David goes to bed at 11.00, but Rosa usually goes to bed a bit later.

5. **Max is in Australia visiting his aunt. They are talking about Sara, one of Max's friends. Complete their conversation with the bubbles. Be careful! There's an extra bubble.**

Do you play hockey	Where is Sara from	Isn't she
Doesn't she	Would you like to see	Where did you meet her

Nancy: _____ ?

Max: She's from Toronto.

Nancy: _____ ?

Max: We met at the club. She plays hockey there.

Nancy: _____ ?

Max: No, I play football, but we usually have tea together at the cafeteria. _____
_____ a picture of her?

Nancy: Sure! Ohh, she's very pretty, _____ ?

Max: Yes!! Very pretty indeed!



6. **Composition**

Choose ONE of the following:

- You are Max. Write a letter to your best friend from school about your life in Australia. OR
- An unusual adventure.