

Reading

Read Linda's recount about her cultural exchange trip.



Linda

Erica

One Sunday afternoon, I was on the phone with my friend Erica. Both of us were excited about our cultural exchange trip to Seoul, South Korea. 'I've just finished packing for the trip. What about you? Have you packed your suitcase yet?' Erica asked. 'No, I haven't started yet,' I said. 'Oh dear, we're

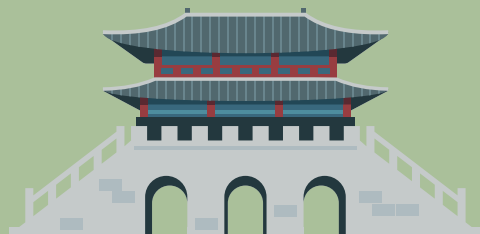
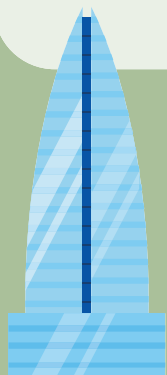
5 leaving tomorrow! You'd better be quick!' Erica said. 'What about our presentation about a Hong Kong festival? Have you practised your lines yet? I've practised them five times already.' 'Thanks for the reminder. I'll practise on the plane,' I replied.



The next morning, my classmates

10 and I flew to Seoul. On the plane, I watched a film and chatted with my classmates. Time flew and we arrived in Seoul around three and a half hours later. 'Did you practise your

15 lines on the plane?' Erica asked me. I shook my head and said, 'Don't worry! The lines are easy and I'll be fine.'



The trip started with a visit to a seaweed factory. We learnt to make
 20 traditional Korean food. It was great fun. In the afternoon, we put on traditional Korean clothes and visited a palace. We took lots of beautiful photos.



The next day, we visited a local primary school. We attended a class with the students and then gave our presentation. 'Hello, everybody,' I started the presentation. 'Today, we're going to tell you about Cheung Chau Bun Festival.
 25 It started ... started in ... um ... in ... um ...' I didn't know my lines! Luckily, Erica and other group members helped me finish my lines. I was embarrassed.

When I got home, Mum asked, 'Did you enjoy the trip?' I replied, 'Yes, I learnt a lot about Korean culture.
 30 Also, I learnt an important lesson.' 'What's that?' asked Mum. 'I shouldn't do things at the last minute. I'm going to be well-prepared from now on!' Mum was surprised but pleased. 'You
 35 did learn a lot,' she said.



DID YOU
 KNOW ?

In Korea, people eat kimchi almost every day. They also love eating crispy, roasted seaweed. People wrap rice and other fillings in these salty seaweed sheets to make delicious rolls called *gimbap*.





Read Linda's recount again. Put the sentences in the correct order. Write 1–5.

- 1 ☐ Linda visited a palace.
- ☐ Linda and Erica chatted on the phone.
- ☐ Linda decided to change.
- ☐ Linda gave a presentation.
- ☐ Linda travelled on a plane.

Answer the questions. Blacken ● the circle and write.



2 Linda's recount is about ____ .

- ☐ A. a factory visit
- ☐ B. a lesson she learnt
- ☐ C. her presentation
- ☐ D. a fun study tour



What is the most important message?

3 Finish Linda's diary entry. Use ONE word from the recount for each blank.

25 November 20XX

Sunny

I just got back from the trip to Seoul. I enjoyed taking photos in traditional Korean
(a) _____ best! I hope my groupmates weren't angry with me because I did
 poorly in the **(b)** _____. They **(c)** _____ their lines but I didn't.

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

4 Why was Linda embarrassed in Paragraph 4?

5 Read line 30: 'Also, I learnt an important lesson.' What lesson did Linda learn?

She learnt that she _____ .



Be well-prepared

Diligence

Did Linda prepare well for the study trip? Are you like Linda? What can you do to make sure you are always prepared for school?



Preparations for a trip

 **Vocab booster**

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1 search for information about the country



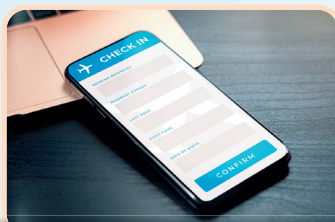
2 exchange some money



3 book a local tour



4 pack my suitcase



5 do my online check-in



6 download my boarding pass to my phone

Activities



7 buy souvenirs



8 make videos



9 eat local food



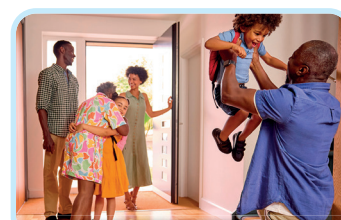
10 send postcards



11 speak to some local people



12 do some sightseeing



13 meet relatives

VOCAB BUILDING

Some words have the same form for both verbs and nouns.

I need to **exchange** some money for my student **exchange** to the UK.
(verb) (noun)

Some words have different forms for verbs and nouns.

Dad **advised** me to pack my suitcase earlier. I took his **advice**.
(verb) (noun)



I	have	exchanged some money.
He / She	has	done some sightseeing.

We use the **present perfect tense** when we are interested in the present result of a past action:

I **have done** my homework. = **Now** I can play.

Present perfect tense:
has / have + past participle

Verb table pp.84-85

Raps p.82

Regular verbs		
Present	Past	Past participle
book	booked	booked
exchange	exchanged	exchanged
pack	packed	packed

the same

Irregular verbs		
Present	Past	Past participle
buy	bought	bought
make	made	made
send	sent	sent

the same

Irregular verbs		
Present	Past	Past participle
do	did	done
eat	ate	eaten
speak	spoke	spoken

different

The Lee family are going to visit Uncle Ben in Shanghai tomorrow. Zoe is telling Grandma about their preparations. Finish what she writes.

wrap check pack exchange do

1  Zoe / weather

2  Mum / online check-in

3  Billy / his suitcase

4  Dad / some money for the trip

5  Joe / the gift for Uncle Ben



←  Grandma

- 1 I have _____ the weather.
- 2 Mum _____ our online check-in.
- 3 Billy _____
- 4 Dad _____
- 5 Joe _____

11:35



Imagine you are on a trip to your favourite city. Write a postcard to your friend about it.

I am in Singapore now. I **have done** so many interesting things here! I **have visited** a museum and a water park. I **have eaten** Singapore's famous chicken rice. I am going to try chilli crab tomorrow.



Have	you	sent any postcards	yet?
Has	Ken	packed his suitcase	

already → happened some time ago
 just → happened a short time ago
 yet → in questions and negative responses

Yes,	I have	already	sent some postcards.
	he has	just	packed his suitcase.

No,	I haven't sent	any postcards	yet.
	he hasn't packed	his suitcase	

Jeff and his sister Pat are on a study tour in Singapore. It is 12:30 p.m. on 21/7 now. Jeff is chatting with his mum. Finish what they say.



- 1 Jeff → buy any souvenirs?
- 2 Pat → send any postcards?
- 3 Jeff → eat any local food?
- 4 Pat → speak to any local students?
- 5 Jeff → do any sightseeing?

- 1 Mum: **Have** you ... **yet**?
 Jeff : No, I **haven't** ... **yet**.
- 2 Mum: **Has** Pat ... **yet**?
 Jeff : Yes, she **has** ...

19/7	20/7	21/7	22/7	23/7
 Jeff	 Pat	 12:15 p.m.  Jeff	 Pat	 Jeff



Imagine you and your cousin are helping Grandma with her housework today. Your mum calls you to check your progress. Get into pairs and role-play the conversation.

 : Hi, Tom.

 : Hi, Mum.

 : **Have** you **swept** the floor **yet**?

 : No, I **haven't swept** the floor **yet**. I'm still folding the clothes.

 : How about your cousin? **Has** he ... ?



Listening

Vicky and Roger are chatting online. Listen to the conversation and blacken ● the circles.



Work out the speaker's meaning

To understand a phrase, pay attention to what the speaker says before / after it.



- 1 Roger says, 'I'm really into them now.' What does he mean?

☐ A. He can ski well.

☐ B. He likes snowy weather.

☐ C. He likes trying new things.

☐ D. He likes winter sports very much.
- 2 Vicky says, 'It's boiling here!' What does she mean?

☐ A. It is very hot in Bangkok.

☐ B. She is boiling some water.

☐ C. She doesn't like Bangkok.

☐ D. There is no air-con in Bangkok.
- 3 Roger asks, 'Like what?' because he _____.

☐ A. likes shopping too

☐ B. wants to know what Vicky bought

☐ C. wants to go to Bangkok too

☐ D. does a lot of shopping too
- 4 Vicky says, 'Catch you later!' Which of the following has the same meaning?

☐ A. Thank you!

☐ B. I will visit you soon.

☐ C. Talk to you later.

☐ D. Hurry up!

Phonics | oi / oy

join

enjoy

(Any other words?)

A Listen and arrange the words in the correct order. Write 1–6 in the boxes.

 coin 	 soil 	 boil
 boy 	 joy 	 toy



Can you hear that the letters 'oi' and 'oy' make the same vowel sound?

B Listen to the rhyme and circle the words with the 'oi / oy' sound.

Princess Joyce is a spoiled girl with plenty of gold coins and toys, but she is never happy and often makes a grumpy noise.



Blog entries are like pages in an online diary. Bloggers are people who share ideas on their own page on a blogging platform.

Clara's corner

Best language study tour!

5:29 p.m. • 2nd August 20XX

I just came back from a two-week study tour in Paris. I had French classes in the mornings and went sightseeing in the afternoons. I visited some museums, went on a boat trip and met some new friends. Have you ever been on a study tour?

58 2

2 responses to "Best language study tour!"

Joseph
11:03 a.m. • 3rd August 20XX
I went to London for an English study tour last summer. I learnt a lot in the English classes and I had a great time exploring the museums and palaces. I tried fish and chips too. They were tasty!

Rachel
8:12 p.m. • 4th August 20XX
I love Japanese culture so I went on a study tour to Tokyo last month. The tour included Japanese classes, a visit to Mount Fuji, and cultural activities like a tea ceremony. It was a lot of fun!

Answer the questions. Blacken ● the circles.

- 1 When did Clara come back from France?

☐ A. 18th July

☐ B. 1st August

☐ C. 3rd August

☐ D. 16th August
- 2 What didn't Joseph do on his study tour?

☐ A. visit famous sights

☐ B. eat local food

☐ C. have a tea ceremony

☐ D. have language classes
- 3 What is the main idea of Clara's blog entry?

☐ A. to tell readers what she learnt in her French classes

☐ B. to chat with Joseph and Rachel

☐ C. to ask readers to join her study tour

☐ D. to share her study tour experience with readers

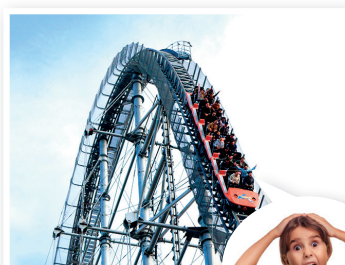
Kids' Monthly

Tell us about your favourite holiday

My trip to Tokyo

by Kenny Tong

I have travelled abroad four times. My favourite place is Tokyo because there is so much to see and do there.



5 I went to Tokyo with my parents last year. We went to a fantastic amusement park. The queues were long but the rides were worth the wait. They were so exciting. I screamed my head off. I also took lots of photos with my favourite cartoon characters and bought some souvenirs for my friends.

10 We also went to a fish market. It was interesting to see all the different types of seafood, but it was really smelly! Mum and I took a sushi class. It takes 10–20 years to become a sushi master. We only had three hours, but I think we did OK!



15 It was cherry blossom season during our visit so one day we went to a park and had a picnic under the cherry blossom trees. There were lots of Japanese families there, sharing food and enjoying the beautiful flowers. After lunch we hired a paddle boat on the lake.
20 It was hard work! My legs were very tired afterwards.

I have only been to Japan once, but I would love to go back. It is a very interesting country.



CULTURAL TIPS



In Japan it is rude to eat while walking in the streets. Remember to keep your voice down in public places as well.





Mar 20XX

An interview with my friend about mini holidays*by John Lo (our junior reporter)*

Mini holidays can be fun! I have talked to my friend Gina about her travel experience.

John : Have you ever been abroad?



30 Gina : No, I haven't. My parents are busy so we can't have long holidays. We go on short trips to different Chinese cities.

John : How many times have you done that?

Gina : Loads! Maybe five or six times.

John : That's a lot! What kinds of things have you done?



35 Gina : We've visited some interesting museums. I've learnt a lot about Chinese history and culture. For example, on our last trip we visited the mud houses in Fujian. They're more than 600 years old and big enough for 800 people to live in. Mum and I rented some traditional clothes in a village too. We walked around and took lots of photos.

40 John : That sounds like fun!

Gina : It was! It felt like going back in time. We've done lots of other fun things too.

John : Like what?

Gina : Last month, we went to an indoor skiing park in Shenzhen.

John : I've never skied before.

45 Gina : It's difficult! I fell down a lot and got cold and wet. Luckily, there were other things to do. I whizzed downhill in a snow tube, built a snowman, played on a slide ...

John : Wow! What's the best thing you've done on holiday?

50 Gina : Hmm. I've watched a circus show. That was amazing. I've been on a nighttime boat trip. It was cool. Oh, and I've joined a kung fu class. I've done so many interesting things. I can't choose the best!

John : Your mini holidays sound amazing!



Read the description and interview again. Complete the summary about what Kenny did in his trip to Tokyo.

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- ▶ went on the (a) _____ and (b) _____ with (c) _____ at an (d) _____
- ▶ took a (e) _____ class at a (f) _____
- ▶ had a (g) _____, rode a (h) _____ on a (i) _____

Answer the questions. Write and blacken ● the circles.

2 Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)? Write 'T' or 'F'. Then correct the wrong sentences.

- (a) ☒ F Kenny has been to Japan ^{once} twice.
- (b) ☐ Kenny spent a long time lining up for the rides.
- (c) ☐ Kenny didn't enjoy the rides in the amusement park.
- (d) ☐ Gina has never been abroad.
- (e) ☐ Gina went to Shenzhen last year.



Look quickly for 'skiing', then read that part carefully.



3 How did Gina feel about her visit to the skiing park?

- ☐ A. She didn't enjoy it.
- ☐ B. She wanted to practise more.
- ☐ C. She liked riding in a snow tube.
- ☐ D. She felt lucky to go there.

4 Gina can't choose the best thing she has done on holiday because she ____.

- ☐ A. can't remember everything
- ☐ B. has had so many good experiences
- ☐ C. didn't really enjoy anything
- ☐ D. has never been abroad

5 Kenny and Gina BOTH ____ on holiday.

- ☐ A. took a class
- ☐ B. watched a show
- ☐ C. visited a museum
- ☐ D. bought souvenirs



Love my culture

National identity

Which cities and scenic places have you visited in China? What have you learnt from your visits there? How did you feel during your visits?

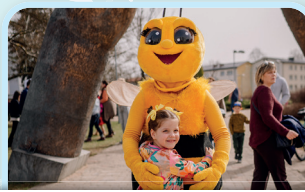
Activities



1 eat sushi at a fish market



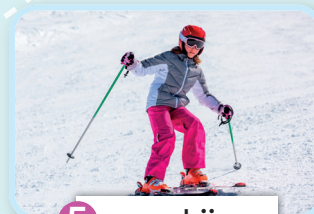
2 take a ride in a hot-air balloon



3 take photos with cartoon characters



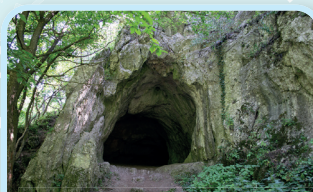
4 go on a castle tour



5 go skiing



6 go on a boat trip



7 explore a cave



8 watch a play at a theatre



9 look at some waterfalls / mountains



10 visit a chocolate factory / fishing village / temple



International cuisines

Chinese



11 roast goose

American



12 roast turkey

Thai



13 pineapple fried rice

Japanese



14 rice with deep-fried pork chop

VOCAB BUILDING

Some words have different spellings in British / American English.



British English

theatre



centre



harbour

American English

theater

center

harbor

Have you ever been to Thailand?

Yes, I have. I went there last summer / two years ago / in 2022.

No, I've never been there.

What did you do there?

I visited a fishing village.

We use the **simple past tense** to talk about what we did at a certain time in the past.



Common error

Don't use the present perfect tense with:

X yesterday X last year X in 2007 X five years ago

The children are talking about the places they have visited. Finish what they say.

explore a cave
go skiing

eat sushi at a fish market
take a ride in a hot-air balloon

visit a chocolate factory
go on a boat trip

Mike



three years ago



last summer



in 2020



Betty



last Christmas



in 2021



two years ago

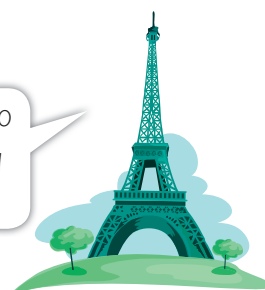
1 Betty: Have you ever been to Japan?
Mike : Yes, I have. I went there ...
Betty: What did you do there?
Mike : I ... How about you? Have you ... ?



Get into pairs and talk about your recent travel experience.

I went to France last summer to visit my uncle. Have you ever been to France?

No, I've never been to France. I want to go there and visit the Eiffel Tower. I hope my parents will take me there next summer.



How many times have you travelled abroad?

I've travelled abroad **once** / **twice** / **three times**.

When **did** you **travel** to Japan?

I **travelled** to Japan last year.

I ate sushi there.

Alice is finding out about her classmates' travel experiences. Finish what they say.

go on a castle tour

visit a temple

take photos with cartoon characters

look at some waterfalls

visit a fishing village

watch a play at a theatre

1 Joe Last Easter ...



Thailand

When I was five ...



Canada

2 Emma Last summer ...



Japan



Two years ago ...

3 Chris



Germany

Last Christmas ...

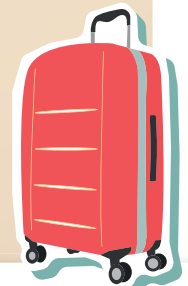


Australia

In 2023 ...



America



Alice

Joe

Emma

Chris

1 Alice: How many times have you travelled abroad?

Joe : I've travelled abroad **twice**. I've been to ... and ...

Alice: When **did** you **travel** to ... ?

Joe : I **travelled** to ... I visited ... there.



Do a group survey and write a report about your travel experiences.

Two people in our group **have travelled** abroad. Joyce and Sam have been to Japan. Joyce went to Tokyo last summer and Sam went to Osaka last Easter. Chris **has** never **travelled** abroad but he has been to many cities in China. He often goes to Shenzhen at weekends because he likes the food there.





Make comments

We had a / an ... time / journey!

It was ... !

It was a / an ... experience / trip!

😊 awesome, amazing,
fabulous, pleasant, excellent

☹️ bad, awful, terrible,
miserable, unpleasant



Leo



Grace



A

Leo and Grace are telling each other about their trips. Read the conversation.



Hi, Grace. How was your trip?



We had an awesome time! I ate a lot of yummy food. How about your trip?



It was horrible! My hotel room was dirty and I got sick.



Oh, what a pity!

B

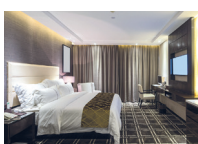
Role-play the conversation. Use different items.



😊 go snorkelling



☹️ have a toothache



😊 stay in a nice hotel



☹️ lose my suitcase

Phonics | ch ('k' sound), ch ('ch' sound)

ch ('k' sound) Christmas

ch ('ch' sound) chocolate

(Any other words?)

A Listen and decide what sound the letters 'ch' make. Tick (✓) the boxes.

	k	ch		k	ch
1 school			4 chat		
2 headache			5 change		
3 chair			6 stomach		



Listen carefully to the two different sounds that the letters 'ch' can make!

B Listen and circle the words with the 'k' sound and underline the words with the 'ch' sound.

On Christmas Day, Charlie brings lots of cheese and chips. His friend Chris has a full stomach and is licking his lips.



Green getaways

Many people enjoy exploring nature, but sometimes this causes pollution and harms wildlife. Ecotourism is the answer!

What is ecotourism?



Protecting nature

When you go on an ecotour, you stay on marked trails and try not to disturb the wildlife. Also, part of the money you pay helps protect the area you are visiting.



Supporting the local people

You can do this by staying in an eco-friendly hotel or guesthouse, buying local crafts and eating at local restaurants. This helps the local people earn a living and care for their environment too.



Knowledge and respect

On an ecotour, you might visit a rainforest, learn about its plants and animals, and talk with local people. Ecotourism is about understanding and respecting the world around us.



Elephant Nature Park, Thailand

This park is in Chiang Mai province. It is a rescue centre for mistreated and injured elephants. The park shows visitors how to care for elephants and has strict rules to make sure visitors don't harm the elephants or the environment.



You can help staff prepare food for the elephants. You can also feed the elephants.



You can walk with the elephants through the forest and watch them in the wild.

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

- 1 What shouldn't we do when we go on an ecotour?

- 2 Name three things we can do to support local people when we are on an ecotour.

- 3 Why is Elephant Nature Park a great example of ecotourism?



Do you think it is a good idea to have ecotourism in your country? Why or why not?

Task | Write an article about my favourite holiday destination

1 Read it!



Add details about the five senses

To add interest to your writing, you can include details from all five senses.
For example:



Sight

The ancient castle looked mysterious.

The view of the city was amazing.



Taste

The drinks were fresh and fruity.

The tom yum soup tasted sour and hot.



Hearing

I shook when the lion roared loudly.

People could hear lovely music in the street.



Touch

The lamb's wool was soft and fluffy.

Everyone could feel the hot sun.



Smell

The roses had a strong sweet smell.

The lovely smell of hot chocolate filled the cafe.



Introduction Basic information about the destination and trip(s)

- What is your favourite holiday destination? Why?
- How many times have you been there?

Thailand, so much to do

3 times

Body Details about the trip(s), i.e. what you did in each place / each time

- What places did you visit?
- What did you do there?
- What did you see / smell / hear / touch / eat there?
- What was it like? / How did it taste?
- Were there any other special things?

Bangkok

(1) Grand Palace, boat ride / water market

👁️: shiny temples and statues

👃: seafood

👂: Thai music

(2) safari park – fed some giraffes

👁️: tongue – long + wet

Chiang Mai

elephant park

👋: patted baby elephant – rough skin

👄: Thai food (tom yum soup – sour and hot)

Ending / Final comments

- What do you think about this place?
- Do you want to visit it again? Why / Why not?

wonderful place

yes, do more fun things

2 Practise it!

Complete the article using the notes on p.58. Circle the details about sight, hearing, smell, touch or taste. Follow the example.

Think of a title for your article.

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The Weekly Junior > Travel

By Sandy Wong, aged 10

My favourite holiday destination is _____. I have been there _____. My family and I love going there because _____.

We have been to _____ twice. On our first visit, we went to the _____. We saw lots of shiny temples and statues there. We also _____ and _____. You can buy grilled seafood there. It smelt so good! We also _____ at the market. The songs were lovely.



On our second visit to Bangkok, we saw some wild animals at a _____. I _____ there. I could see _____ . They were long and wet!

We visited Thailand again last month. This time, we went to Chiang Mai and _____. I _____. Its skin was rough. We tasted different kinds of _____ at the night markets in Chiang Mai. My favourite was _____. It was sour and hot.




Thailand is _____. I hope I can visit it again soon and _____.

3 Write it!

Write an article about your favourite holiday destination. Share your writing with the class.