

UNIT 2

The Alien Story



Put the story into the correct order.

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Other people who prefer to believe in a scientific explanation have suggested that electrical forces in the atmosphere caused this and other incidents.

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Meanwhile, a local lorry driver following the same route as Mrs. Knowles confirmed that he has also seen the strange light in the distance.

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Thinking that the woman must have been so tired that she was dreaming, the police gave her a cup of tea hoping to calm her down.

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Feeling terrified and out of control, the family noticed a black powder seeping inside their car and smelt a horrible stench.

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When she saw a light flashing on the road ahead, she slowed down thinking that it was a traffic signal

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Suddenly, a strange light seemed to be on top of the car, sucking it up off the road before dropping it down again.

4

In a state of shock, they drove to the nearest town and reported the incident to the police.

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Finally, the police agreed to inspect the car and when they did, they saw the dust, smelt the smell and also noticed some small dents in the roof of the car.

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This story was quickly taken up by some people as proof of the presence of aliens on earth.

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Mrs. Knowles and her three sons were driving from Perth to Adelaide in the early hours one morning in 1988.

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World's Most-Visited Tourist Attractions

For nearly 500 years, the emperors living within Beijing's Forbidden City dictated who could enter and leave. Well, the gates have opened, and tourists are pouring in to see it all for themselves. Attendance is up by 2.5 million since 2010.



The Forbidden City is a dream destination for some Americans, but most have never researched a trip to Everland or Lotte World. Yet these South Korean theme parks also rank among the world's 50 most-visited tourist attractions—beating out the Eiffel Tower (nearly 7 million), the Great Pyramids (4 million), and Stonehenge (1 million). And there are more surprises.

Where we choose to spend our vacation time says a lot about what we value. Despite—or perhaps because of—what the World Tourism Organization calls “global economic challenges,” more travelers are hitting the road than ever. International tourist arrivals increased by 5 percent in 2013, according to the World Tourism Organization. That translates to a record of more than one billion trips. With its population of 1.36 billion, China became the second-largest exporter of tourists. Russia increased travel spending by 26 percent.

Like it or not, theme parks clearly have worldwide appeal. France's Disneyland Park draws about the same number of visitors (10.5 million) as Sacré Coeur, and four of the world's 20 most-visited tourist attractions are Disney parks.

Many inspiring and iconic places can't quite keep up. The Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum narrowly missed the top 50, as did the British Museum in London (6.7 million), the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York (6.3 million), and the Roman Colosseum and Forum (5.1 million each). The Berlin Wall Memorial Site logged only 500,000 visitors in 2013, though extra crowds are arriving in November 2014 for the 25th anniversary of its fall.

Accessibility can be a factor. It takes extra effort to reach Yellowstone National Park (3.2 million) or the Terracotta Army in Xi'an, China (4.8 million). And Peru's Machu Picchu has restricted tourism to help maintain the site's integrity; only 2,500 can enter per day, or 912,500 per year.

So what is the most-visited tourist attraction in the world? Can 91 million people be wrong?

Vocabulary exercise:

Choose the correct alternative in each sentence 1 – 10.

1. Everyone thought the holiday was great **fun** / **funny** but I didn't have such a good time.
2. The area near the palace was **full** / **crowded** with tourists.
3. The facilities on this **camping** / **campsite** are excellent.
4. Have you decided where you're going on **holiday** / **holidays** yet?
5. We always **stay** / **live** in the same hotel when we go to London.
6. All the hotel at the ski **station** / **resort** are fully booked, unfortunately.
7. We didn't bring back any **souvenirs** / **memories** from our holiday. We didn't see anything worth buying.
8. From the top of cathedral tower there are some spectacular **sights** / **sites** / **views** of the surroundings countryside.
9. The cost of the **trip** / **journey** / **travel** includes two nights in a four – star hotel with half-board.
10. She didn't enjoy the Mediterranean **voyage** / **cruise** / **tour** at all; she was seasick most of the time.

1. The Chicago train leaves from _____ 4.
line
bank
quay
platform
2. Before getting on the train, make sure you get a ticket from the _____.
ticket office
box office
waiting room
check in
3. I had so much _____ on the train, but this nice man helped me when we arrived in Paris.
bags
luggage
box
packing
4. I got into St. Louis too late and I missed my _____ to New Orleans.
connect
connection

coincidence
link

Car

5. After you leave Beaumont, there's a large _____ and you'll be able to get where you want really quickly.

street
lane
highway
path

6. If the police stop you, you will probably have to show them your _____.

patent
permission
photo
licence

7. You were going 20mph over the _____. I'm going to have to give you a fine.

speed limit
speed barrier
speed rule
speed maximum

8. It is the driver's responsibility to ensure all passengers in the car are wearing their _____.

harnesses
belts
seat belts
seat harnesses

Plane

9. After you check in, wait in the _____ until you hear your flight called.

waiting room
reception
check-in lounge
departure lounge

10. All flights to Canada go out of our southern _____. You can get there on the airport bus.

block
terminal
station
zone

11. Would you prefer a window seat or a(n) _____ seat, Mr. Robson?

corridor
line
aisle
non-window

12. Please ensure you have fully filled out the green form for _____ before we land, stating anything on the list you are carrying into the country.

customs

police
immigration
aviation

Write the correct word to complete each of the following sentences. Choose from the following options:

changed, upfront, view, exchange, bring, noisy, free, mini, locked, reception.

Can you get someone to..... our bags to our room?
Are the sheets..... every day?
We didn't take anything from the..... -bar.
I my key in my room.
Do I leave the key at..... the desk?
Do I have to pay (= in advance) ?
Is there somewhere I can money around here?
The fan is really..... . Can I turn it off?
Is this service..... , or do I have to pay for it?
The..... is fantastic. We can see the whole city

Grammar:

A

GRAMMAR PRACTICE PRESENT TENSE SIMPLE

Use the Simple Present to express the idea that an action is repeated or usual. The action can be a habit, a hobby, a daily event, a scheduled event or something that often happens. It can also be something a person often forgets or usually does not do.

Examples:

- I play tennis.
- She does not play tennis.
- Does he play tennis?
- The train leaves every morning at 8 AM.
- The train does not leave at 9 AM.
- When does the train usually leave?

The Simple Present can also indicate the speaker believes that a fact was true before, is true now, and will be true in the future. It is not important if the speaker is correct about the fact. It is also used to make generalizations about people or things.

Examples:

- Cats like milk.
- Birds do not like milk.
- Do pigs like milk?
- California is in America.
- California is not in the United Kingdom.

Speakers occasionally use Simple Present to talk about scheduled events in the near future. This is most commonly done when talking about public transportation, but it can be used with other scheduled events as well.

Examples:

- The train leaves tonight at 6 PM.
- The bus does not arrive at 11 AM, it arrives at 11 PM.
- When do we board the plane?
- The party starts at 8 o'clock.
- When does class begin tomorrow?

FORMING THE SIMPLE PRESENT TENSE: TO THINK

Affirmative

I think
You think
He thinks
She thinks
It thinks
We think
They think

Interrogative

Do I think?
Do you think?
Does he think?
Does she think?
Does it think?
Do we think?
Do they think?

Negative

I do not think
You do not think
He does not think
She does not think
It does not think
We do not think.
They do not think.

Choose the correct form of the following verbs:

wake(s) up - open(s) - speak(s) - take(s) - do(es) - cause(s) - live(s) - play(s) - close(s) - live(s) - drink(s)

1. Ann hand ball very well.
2. I never coffee.
3. The swimming pool at 7:00 in the morning.
4. It at 9:00 in the evening.
5. Bad driving many accidents.
6. My parents in a very small flat.
7. The Olympic Games place every four years.
8. They are good students. They always their homework.
9. My students a little English.
10. I always early in the morning.

Put the verbs between brackets in the correct form:

1. Jane (not/drink) tea very often.
2. What time (the banks/open) in Britain?

3. Where (John/come)
4. It (take)
5. She (not/wake)

from?
me an hour to get to work.
up early on Sundays.

Choose the right verbs to complete the sentences. Sometimes you need the negative:

write - turn - eat - tell - rise

1. The earth around the sun.
2. The sun in the east.
3. Vegetarians meat.
4. A liar is someone who the truth.
5. A novelist novels.

Put the verbs into the correct form.

1. I (to like) lemonade very much.
2. The girls always (to listen) to pop music.
3. Janet never (to wear) jeans.
4. Mr Smith (to teach) Spanish and French.
5. You (to do) your homework after school.

Simple present with 'have' and 'be'

Fill in the correct form of the verbs.

1. We (to have) a nice garden.
2. She (to be) six years old.
3. Simon (to have) two rabbits and five goldfish.
4. I (to be) from Vienna, Austria.
5. They (to be) Sandy's parents.

B

Countable and Uncountable Nouns / Quantifiers

Complete each of the spaces with one of the words from the box. Some words will be used more than once and more than one answer may be possible for each space.

little few much many some any no deal number piece lot plenty several

1. You drink nothing but lemonade with _____ salt and pepper for about seven days without _____ food.
2. I wasn't earning a great _____ of money and I simply couldn't afford to buy that car.
3. I used to eat a _____ of junk food.
4. I ate very _____ fresh food and this had a serious effect on my health.
5. And now if I get hungry between meals, I have a _____ cheese or _____ nuts, just to fill the hole.
6. When I want to treat myself I have a _____ of cake or a _____ biscuits.
7. As long as you eat sweet things after a meal, then there's _____ problem.
8. I only ever eat chocolates after lunch or dinner. And never too _____ of course- just one or two.
9. A sensible, balanced diet: _____ of fresh fruit and vegetables ... _____ glasses of water a day – and _____ snacks between meals.
10. A large _____ of people follow diets, but very _____ of them are happier as a result.
11. I don't pay _____ attention to what others think or say.

Complete with the words in the plural form.

1. How many (cinema) _____ are there in London?
2. How many (fly) _____ have you swatted?
3. How many (house) _____ are there in your street?
4. Is your cat catching _____ (mouse)?
5. How many (goose) _____ do you have on your farm?
6. Where do (deer) _____ live?
7. How many (fish) _____ are there in the sea?
8. How many (child) _____ are there in the yard?
9. How many (pencil case) _____ do we have in stock?
10. How many (sheep) _____ do you have on your farm?

Find the correct answer.

1. Do you know the story where the fairy grants a little girl three (wish) _____.
2. It's the cackling of (goose) _____ which save Rome from the Gauls.
3. ' There will be blue birds over the white (cliff) _____ of Dover ' (a popular song of world war II)
4. Do turtles have (tooth) _____ ?
5. You should place the (knife) _____ and forks to the left of the plates.
6. The hunters never noticed the two (deer) _____ by the apple tree.
7. Please keep your hands and (foot) _____ inside the car.
8. John screamed and the(echo) _____ of his screams sounded in the cave.
9. The children stood on (box) _____ to see the parade.
10. James Bond and George Smiley are popular fictional (spy) _____

Fill in the following words

advice, chocolate, jam, lemonade, meat, milk, oil, rice, tea, tennis
and form meaningful phrases.

Example: a cube of _____ Answer: a cube of sugar

- 1) a piece of _____ 2) a packet of _____ 3) a bar of _____
4) a glass of _____ 5) a cup of _____ 6) a bottle of _____
7) a slice of _____ 8) a barrel of _____
9) a game of _____ 10) a jar of _____

Choose the correct form of the verb "to be ". Mind the noun (singular or plural).

- 1) Ladies and gentlemen, here _____ the news.
2) Where _____ my jeans.
3) Further information _____ available in the office.
4) The stairs _____ over there, Sir.
5) The furniture in our classroom _____ uncomfortable.
6) The USA _____ a very nice country.
7) Your sunglasses _____ on the table.
8) Homework _____ boring.
9) The scissors on the table _____ mine.
10) Physics _____ not easy.
11)

Finish the sentences with the singular or plural form of the nouns.

Example: There is a _____ on the table.

Answer: There is a book on the table.

- 1) The cat is sitting on my bed / beds.
2) There are five pencil / pencils on my desk.
3) I have two sister / sisters .
4) They are riding their bike / bikes.
5) We have a dog / dogs.
6) How many book / books do you have in your bag?
7) My mother has a new computer / computers .
8) There are three windows in the room / rooms .
9) Susan has four poster / posters .
10) There is one pen / pens on the floor.

Underline the alternative which cannot be used.

1. Have you heard ***any / a / the*** news about the accident ?
2. I didn't speak ***a large number / a great deal / a lot*** of English when I was in London.
3. ***Many / Several / Every*** people in our neighbourhood have complained about the smell from the factory.
4. They didn't give us very much ***advice / suggestion / information*** about where to look for a cheap ***guest house / hotel / accommodation*** in the town.

5. Could you pass me a *piece / bar / slice* of bread please?
6. “ Would you like *some / any / few* more chips?” - “ No, thanks. I've already got *plenty / much / enough.*”
7. We haven't got *no / any / much* cheese left. Could you buy *a few / a little / some* on your way home tonight?
8. Come on, let's go out for a meal. We've still got *a little / little / plenty of* money.

Speaking

Where do you usually spend your holidays?

What types of activities do you like doing on your holiday?

Is there anywhere you would particularly like to visit ? Why?

Would you like to go on a cruise? Why ? / Why not ?

Do you usually travel by car / train / plane on your holiday?

What is the most beautiful place you visited ?