

3 EXPLORING NEW CITIES

LESSON A • Popular destinations

1 Grammar

Greetings from Maine, where the water is too cold for us to go swimming, but the scenery is beautiful. We're having a great time, and we've enjoyed every place that we've visited. This week we're in Bar Harbor, which is a lovely island town. The place is absolutely full of tourists! Tonight we're going for a ride on a boat that will take us to one of the nearby islands. Our friend James, who lives here, has already taken us hiking and to the Bar Harbor Music Festival. It's been fun! That's it for now. We miss you.

2 Grammar

- Many tourists enjoy seeing the Kuala Lumpur skyline in Malaysia, which includes some of the tallest skyscrapers in the world.
- People visit Washington, D.C., in the spring, when they can see the cherry trees in bloom.
- The cherry trees in Washington, D.C., which were a gift from the Japanese government to the U.S., are admired by everyone.
- Thousands of years ago, people in Mexico began to grow corn, which continues to be a very important food in Mexico today.
- The tortilla, which is a thin, flat bread, is typically eaten in Mexico.

3 Vocabulary

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| 1. transportation system | 5. climate |
| 2. cuisines | 6. landmarks |
| 3. cost of living | 7. green spaces |
| 4. nightlife | |

4 Grammar

Answers will vary.

5 Writing

A Main idea: a wonderful night market

Supporting ideas: reasonable prices, fruits and spices, clothing, handicrafts, jewelry

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- The night market in Chiang Mai, Thailand.
 - Chiang Mai is a city in northern Thailand that has a wonderful night market.
 - I love spicy Thai food.

C Answers will vary.

LESSON B • My kind of town

1 Grammar

- Salvador is a charming coastal city with fascinating buildings.
- Prague is a quaint old European city with a lovely castle.
- Taipei is a lively modern city with huge skyscrapers.
- Singapore is a dynamic port city with trendy shopping malls.
- Chicago is a large modern industrial city with a beautiful lakeshore.
- Orlando is an exciting tourist destination with world-famous theme parks.

2 Vocabulary

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| 1. rural | 3. Port | 5. coastal | 7. mountain |
| 2. college | 4. border | 6. tourist | |

3 Grammar

- In spite of the well-lit streets, it's best to be careful at night. / It's best to be careful at night in spite of the well-lit streets.
- Despite the crime problem, it's still a wonderful place to visit. / It's still a wonderful place to visit despite the crime problem.
- Although the shopping malls are crowded, people aren't buying much. / People aren't buying much, although the shopping malls are crowded.
- Even though it snows a lot, I still like living here. / I still like living here, even though it snows a lot.
- My city is on the ocean. However, the water here is too polluted for people to go swimming.
- The city center is very picturesque. Nevertheless, there's not much to do.
- There's a lot to do here at night. On the other hand, it's a very noisy neighborhood.

4 Grammar

Answers will vary.

5 Reading

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| 1. carpooling | 3. public transportation |
| 2. auto emissions | 4. a landfill |
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