

- 2 Complete the article with the past simple form of the verbs in the box.

arrive	be	do	not stop	spend
start	travel	visit	wait	

Graham's Big Adventure

Between 2009 and 2012, Graham Hughes
 0 visited all the countries in the world. At that time, there ¹ 201 countries. There are now only 195. Graham ² this without taking a flight. He ³ by boat, bus and train, by taxi and on foot, and he ⁴ \$100 a week on his journey. He ⁵ his amazing journey on New Year's Day 2009. It was sometimes very difficult. He often ⁶ for weeks for a boat. But Graham ⁷, and on Monday 26th November 2012, the 1,426th day of his journey, he ⁸ in the last country: South Sudan. Graham is the only person to see every country in the world without taking a flight.



- 3 Correct the mistakes in the sentences.

- 1 I went to Mar del Plata. I have a lovely day.

- 2 Last night I forgot my history book in your house.

- 3 I went shopping yesterday. I brought a very nice skirt and a sweater.

- 4 I liked the weather last week because it is hot.

- 4 Which past simple questions need the word *did*?

- 0 Who _____ wanted to climb the old tower?
 1 Who _____ you see on the plane?
 2 Who _____ you go on holiday with?
 3 Who _____ flew the plane?
 4 Who _____ you meet at the hotel?
 5 Who _____ found the bags?
 6 Who _____ spoke to the passengers?

VOCABULARY

Holiday vocabulary

- 1 Put the letters in the correct order to make holiday words. The first letter is given.

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|---------------------------|---------|
| 1 p m a | m _____ |
| 2 s t e g u | g _____ |
| 3 t r o i s v i | v _____ |
| 4 s c u a i s t e | s _____ |
| 5 g e u l g a g | l _____ |
| 6 p r t c i e i o s e t n | r _____ |
| 7 s u t r o i t | t _____ |
| 8 u d o g i k e b o | g _____ |

- 2 Complete the text with words in Exercise 1.



Highland Hotel

Dear ¹ _____,

Welcome to your room at the Highland Hotel!
 We hope you enjoy staying here.

Everything you need is here at the hotel:
 two excellent restaurants, two pools and an exercise room.

You will find the rooms are large, with extra space for all your ² _____ in the cupboard next to the bathroom.

Please also remember that ³ _____ s to the museum and the theatre get a 25% discount if they are staying with us. We can give you a ⁴ _____ of the town so you can easily find these places.

You will also find a small ⁵ _____ with information about other local tourist attractions in your room.

Please phone the ⁶ _____ if there is anything else you need. He or she will be happy to help.

From

The Highland Hotel staff team

READING

- 1 Read the article quickly. What is unusual about this bookshop?

Visiting the *Libreria Acqua Alta* bookshop in Venice

Three young visitors tell us why they liked this unusual place

Elena

The bookshop belongs to Luigi Frizzo. His ideas for the shop are great. During the winter, the sea enters many of the buildings in Venice. But Luigi's books don't get wet because he keeps them in boats and baths instead of bookcases! And not all the books are for people to buy. Old textbooks and dictionaries are now pieces of furniture and art. There are also books on top of each other to make some stairs. I loved climbing up them to the roof and looking out over the city.

Rosie

Last May, I spent a week in Venice with my parents and walked around the city every day. One day, we saw the *Libreria Acqua Alta*, or 'High Water Bookshop' in English. Outside, it looked like other bookshops. We went in because I wanted a map. We then saw it was very different. It wasn't tidy, but was full of wonderful things: thousands of books and about ten friendly cats! This bookshop was my favourite place in Venice.

Christina

I visited *Libreria Acqua Alta* one morning in June and I loved it. Many visitors in the shop felt the same as me. I spoke to a lot, and they were not only tourists. Local families enjoy visiting the shop too because it is so different, and you can find every kind of book there. Luigi Frizzo owns the shop, and he was there that morning. He took me to see the building's fire exit. It was very funny – the door just opens onto the water!



PREPARE FOR THE EXAM

Reading Part 2

- 2 For each question, choose the correct answer. Write *E* for Elena, *R* for Rosie or *C* for Christina.

- 1 Which person met Luigi Frizzo? _____
- 2 Which person explains why she entered the shop? _____
- 3 Which person describes how books stay dry in the bookshop? _____
- 4 Which person says what kind of people go to the shop? _____
- 5 Which person explains what the name of the bookshop means? _____
- 6 Which person saw some books that weren't for sale? _____
- 7 Which person describes how books are part of the building? _____



EXAM TIPS

- Look to see if the writer says the same things in a different way.
- The questions do not follow the order of information in the text.