

**there is, there are + a, an, some and any**

- 1 ★ Complete the table with the words in the box.

aren't a isn't any is an are some

Affirmative	
Singular	Plural
There <sup>1</sup> <u>is</u> <sup>2</sup> _____ park near here.	There <sup>3</sup> _____ <sup>4</sup> _____ people in the library.
Negative	
Singular	Plural
There <sup>5</sup> _____ <sup>6</sup> _____ art gallery.	There <sup>7</sup> _____ <sup>8</sup> _____ shops here.

- 2 ★★ Write affirmative ✓ and negative ✗ sentences using *there is / there are*. Use *a, an, some* or *any*.

supermarket ✓

There's a supermarket.

- 1 schools ✓  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2 cafés ✗  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 restaurant near the cinema ✗  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4 library next to the supermarket ✓  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5 car parks ✗  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 6 train station ✓  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 7 shops at the train station ✗  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8 offices near the park ✓  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 9 cinema near the shops ✓  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 10 art gallery ✗  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Is there ...?, Are there ...?**

- 3 ★★ Write questions and answers.

supermarket / yes

Is there a supermarket? Yes, there is.

restaurants / three

How many restaurants are there?

There are three.

- 1 schools / two  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2 cafés / no  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 flats / yes  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4 library / no  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5 shops / four  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 6 art gallery / yes  
\_\_\_\_\_

- 4 ★★★ Write questions and sentences using words from the lists.

two	park	in my town
a	shops	in your town
many	libraries	near the school
an	office	next to the park
any	schools	where I live
some	cinemas	where you live
four	restaurant	are there
three	art gallery	near the shops

Are there any cinemas where you live?

- 1 Are there \_\_\_\_\_?
- 2 Is there \_\_\_\_\_?
- 3 How \_\_\_\_\_?
- 4 How \_\_\_\_\_?
- 5 There are \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 There is \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 There aren't \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8 There isn't \_\_\_\_\_.

## READING ■ A description of a place



### 1 ★ Read the text. Tick ✓ the correct box.

Dan's ideal place is ...

a  London   b  The British Isles   c  Sark

- A** I'm from London, but I live on Sark, an island in the British Isles.
- B** London is a fantastic city; it's really big, with amazing buildings and luxury shops, but it's noisy. I'm not into cities – I prefer quieter places.
- C** Sark is tiny, 5.45 km<sup>2</sup>, and its population is small too. There are only about 600 people on the island. There are some small shops and restaurants, one or two offices and one school. But the incredible thing is there are no cars!
- D** Sark is ideal for cycling, and it's a popular place for tourists. It's really pretty and there are a lot of animals.
- E** I'm interested in cycling and photography, not shopping or fast cars. That's why my home is here in Sark, not London. It's the perfect place for me.

### 2 ★★ Read the text again. Match topics 1–4 with paragraphs A–E.

About the island c

- 1 Why Dan likes Sark \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Why people are interested in visiting Sark \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Where Dan lives \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 About London \_\_\_\_\_

### 3 ★★ Read the text again. Choose the correct answers.

Dan lives \_\_\_\_\_.

- a in a city  
**b on a small island**  
 c on a big island

- 1 Sark has got a population of \_\_\_\_\_ people.  
 a 60   b 545   c 600
- 2 On Sark there aren't any \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a shops   b cars   c restaurants
- 3 The island has got a \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a school   b tourist office   c luxury shop
- 4 On Sark there are a lot of \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a incredible buildings   b animals   c cities
- 5 The island is popular with \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a boys   b people from London   c tourists
- 6 Dan \_\_\_\_\_ Sark.  
 a loves   b quite likes   c hates

### 4 ★★★ Answer the questions. Write complete sentences.

Where does Dan live?

He lives on Sark, an island in the British Isles.

- 1 Why does Dan think London is a good place to live?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Why doesn't Dan like living in cities?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 How big is Sark?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 What is special about Sark?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 What do tourists like doing on Sark?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 What is Dan interested in?  
 \_\_\_\_\_

### Build your vocabulary

#### 5 ★★ Look at the words in brackets. Then complete the text with the words in the box.

tiny   fantastic   fast   incredible  
 enormous   amazing   luxury

Ruth has got a fantastic (very good) job. She's got an <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (very big) office in the centre of London. Her office is bigger than my flat! It's in an <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (very beautiful and big) building.

Ruth has got a <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (very expensive and beautiful) flat near the park and a new car – it's really <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_! It's an <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (very surprising) car. I love it! She's got a <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (very small) dog – his name is Benji.