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### Modular page to familiarise students with the content of the module & the key vocabulary

Module 1

Home and away

Vocabulary: adjectives describing places; features of a town/city; public transportation; dangers in the countryside; homes; household chores; public services & facilities

Grammar: prepositions of movement; comparative superlative; modals (can - can't - could - have to - must - must not; should)

Everyday English: buying a ticket

Pronunciation: /s/, /]/, /dʒ/, /t]/

Writing: an informal e-mail of advice

Culture: Pacific Coast Highway 1

Cross-Curricular (Citizenship): Are you a good citizen?

# Vocabulary Adjectives

# OVER TO YOU!

Acapulco, Mexico

I live in

It has

and

CListen and say. 1

- 1 busy ≠ quiet (place, streets)
- 2 exciting = boring (nightlife)
- 3 safe = dangerous (place)
- 4 clean ≠ dirty (beaches/place)
- 5 ugly = beautiful (city/town/hotels/parks/buildings)
- 6 modern = historical (city/town/buildings)
- 7 cheap ≠ expensive (shops/hotels/restaurants)

### Use the adjectives above to 2 describe the places 1-5.

Rio de Janeiro is in Brazil. I think Rio de Janeiro is a modern city. It has clean beaches and exciting nightlife.

Montreal, Canada

Edinburgh, Scotland

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Mykonos, Greece





Police, Camera, Action! is a popular TV series of reallife police videos. It is part-documentary and partreality show. It features video footage from cameras in police cars, helicopters, and sometimes from handheld cameras, too. It focuses on road crime and bad driving. Each episode has a catchy title and the narrator really draws the viewer into the action. A typical voice-over would go something like this:

"As we join the scene from the air, the 'eye-in-the-sky' can see the suspect is driving his motorcycle very fast through the town. He's driving on the sidewalk and on the road. There he's going across a crosswalk. Luckily, there aren't many pedestrians around or else lots of people could be injured. Now he's going toward the traffic lights – no wait – he's doing a U-turn into oncoming traffic. That is so dangerous! Look at him now! He's going along the bus lane and up the hill. I hope no one is on the other side or they'll be shocked. Now where is he? There he is! I don't believe it! He's going under the bridge just as the patrol car is going over the bridge. They just missed him. He's going along the bike lane toward the tunnel. Now he's going into the tunnel. The officers on the ground are speeding over

the railroad crossing to cut him off at the end of the tunnel. This is so exciting! Yes! It's all over. They got him!"

So next time you're channel surfing, make sure you catch an episode – you'll be

glad you did!

Check these words

popular, real-life, road crime, documentary, reality show, feature, video footage, handheld camera, focus on, catchy title, narrator, draw, viewer, voice-over, suspect, pedestrian, injured, U-turn, oncoming traffic, shocked, patrol car, speed, cut sb off, channel surf

# Grammar Prepositions of movement



4 a) Look at the sketches. Use them to describe what is happening in the pictures 1-8 in Ex. 1.



In picture 1 the suspect is driving his motorcycle along the sidewalk.

b) Linda wrote to her friend Kate to give her directions to her house. Choose the correct preposition. Q Listen and check.

When you get off the bus, walk 1) along/through Main Street 2) into/toward the clock tower. Go 3) past/out of some shops on your left and then turn right and go 4) through/along some big gates 5) along/into Stanley Park. Walk 6) into/across the grass and then walk 7) up/under the hill and 8) down/out of the other side. Go 9) into/over the bridge and you'll see a row of houses on the left. My house is number 222. Call me if you get lost!

# Speaking & Writing 🕑 VIDEO

THINK! Imagine you are in a police helicopter chasing someone who is driving over the speed limit. Describe what is happening. Use prepositions of movement. In three minutes write a few sentences. Tell the class. Text-based vocabulary presentation in the IWB & ieBook

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Skills integration

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Activities to help students speculate on content of the reading text



Read the first two sentences in the e-mails. What are a) they about? Which type of house does each girl live in? Q Listen and read to find out.

# Dear Debbie,

I moved into a new house last week and I couldn't wait to tell you about it. The house is in one of the most beautiful places you can imagine. My parents call it 'our little paradise'. It's a single-story house with a front and back yard. From the front we have a view of the sea and behind the house there is a forest. It is much nicer than the apartment buildings in town and my bedroom is much bigger than my old one. I hope you can come and visit me one day. Write back soon and tell me about your house. Jasmine

# Dear Jasmine,

I was glad to hear that you like your new home. It sounds much better than your old apartment. As for me, I live in a townhouse downtown. Our house is larger than most townhouses; in fact we have three stories. From our house you can see skyscrapers so the view is not as beautiful as it is from your house. I'm also pretty sure that it is noisier than where you live. We are very lucky though, because my parents also own a small cottage near the sea where we go on vacation. I think it would be a great idea for you to come with us next

time. What do you think? Debbie

# Check these words .....

imagine, front yard, view, forest, downtown, story, skyscraper, pretty sure, lucky, own

# b) Read the e-mails again and answer the questions.

- 1 Why do Jasmine's parents call the house 'our little paradise'?
- 2 What type of house is it?
- 3 Where did Jasmine use to live?
- 4 What type of house does Debbie live in?
- 5 What is the view from Debbie's house?
- 6 Where does Debbie stay when she's on vacation?

# Vocabulary Types of US housing

Match the words to the 1 pictures.



Listen and check. Which types of housing are there in your country? Which one do you live in?

Special Sections to develop students' critical & creative thinking

Systematic Grammar **Presentation & Practice** 



THINK! Which of the two girls' houses would you prefer to live in? Why? In three minutes write a few sentences. Tell the class.

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# Grammar • **Comparative & Superlative**

Read the table. What are the spelling rules? Find examples in the texts.

ADJECTIVE	COMPARATIVE	SUPERLATIVE
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Short adjectives	small big heavy	small <b>er</b> (than) big <b>ger</b> (than) heav <b>ier</b>	the smallest the biggest the heaviest
Long	beautiful	more beautiful	the <b>most</b>
adjectives		(than)	beautiful
Irregular	good	better	the best
	bad	worse	the worst
	much/many	more	the most

We use the comparative form to compare two people, things, places, etc. We use the superlative form to compare more than two people, things, places, etc. from the same group.

Note: We use as ... as to show that two things are the same. Rio de Janeiro isn't as big as São Paulo.

very + adjective: Canada is very big.

much + comparative: Mexico City is much bigger than Puebla.

### Write full sentences, as in the example. 5 Mexican Housing

1 Anna's new Mission-style home/big/her old casita Anna's new Mission-style home is bigger than

her old casita.

- 2 an apartment building/tall/an hacienda
- 3 downtown/noisy/the suburbs
- 4 a cottage/small/a Spanish villa
- 5 houses/expensive/apartments
- 6 modern adobe houses/traditional/condos
- 7 Mission-style homes/beautiful/apartments

- Make comparisons, as in the example.
- 1 Monterrey/Guadalajara/Mexico City (crowded) A: Monterrey is very crowded.
  - B: Yes, but Guadalajara is much more crowded than Monterrey.
  - A: Mexico City is the most crowded of the three.
- 2 the Kalahari Desert/the Gobi Desert/the Sahara Desert (large)
- 3 Lake Como/Caspian Sea/Lake Baikal (deep)
- 4 Sacramento/Las Vegas/Yuma (sunny)
- Put the adjectives in parentheses in the 7 correct form.
  - 1 Death Valley is one of ..... (hot) places on Earth.
  - 2 Colombia is much ..... (wet) Brazil.
  - 3 Arica is ...... (dry) place on Earth. 4 Los Angeles is as .....
  - (expensive) Chicago. 5 New York is .....
    - (good) vacation spot.
  - 6 There aren't as ..... (many) people in London as there are in New York City.
  - 7 People say Detroit is ..... ...... (dangerous) city in the USA.
  - 8 Madagascar isn't as ..... (large) Greenland.

# Speaking

Use these adjectives to make sentences about houses/places in your country: big, cold, small, quiet, noisy, modern, cheap, comfortable, beautiful, cozy, exciting, clean, boring, expensive, crowded.

... is bigger than ... . ... is the biggest city in my country. ... is as ... as ... .



Write an e-mail to your pen-pal about your home. Write about: what type it is, what you can see from it, where it is, what makes it special. Use the e-mails in Ex. 2 as models.



Activities to help students identify their cultural individuality

# **Development of Speaking – Situational Dialogues**





survive, swamp, escape, get into trouble, swallow, fall into, panic, pull in, lie flat, crawl out, mosquito, scorpion, poisonous, fatal, insect repellent, ground, shake, cliff, hide, bubble, reptile, run away

# The Florida Everglades: SURVIVING THE SWAMP

The Florida Everglades is one of the USA's largest and most beautiful national parks and a great place to escape from the city. But every year, around 60 visitors get into trouble in its 4,000 square miles of swamps! So what are the dangers and what must you do to survive your trip there?

Mud bogs The Everglades are full of dangerous mud bogs. They can swallow a car or a person in a few minutes. If you fall into one, you shouldn't panic! Moving a lot only pulls you in deeper! Pull each leg out slowly, then lie flat and crawl out carefully.

Bugs and bites There are hundreds of mosquitoes, scorpions, and poisonous spiders and snakes in the Everglade swamps. Their bites and stings can be very dangerous and sometimes fatal. Always look where you walk, wear long pants, strong boots, and lots of insect repellent.

Flash floods It can rain a lot in the Everglades and flash floods are a real danger. A flash flood is a wall of water that can travel at 60 mph. Is the ground shaking? Can you hear a strange noise like an airplane engine? Climb up a cliff or a tree. You have to get to the highest place you can and guickly!

Alligators More than a million alligators live in the swamps and they hide without moving. So how can you see where they are? Well, bubbles on the water can be an alligator getting ready for lunch! These reptiles can run up to 30 mph. They can't turn quickly, though, so if you see an alligator, you must run away as fast as you can.

# **Reading & Speaking**

2 a) Look at the title of the text, the introduction, and the headings. How can this place be dangerous? How can a visitor survive the dangers? Listen and read to find out.

Study Skills to promote student autonomy



# b) Read again and complete the sentences.

1	The Everglades is one of the USA's	2
2	To get out of a mud bog you	,
3	Bites from mosquitoes can be	
4	To keep mosquitoes away you need to	5
5	A flash flood can go as fast as	
	In case you get caught in a flash flood,	
	When alligators hide they don't	

8 It's not easy for alligators to ......

# Study skills

# **Guessing meaning**

Try to work out the meaning of a new word by looking at the words around it.

3 a) STry to work out the meaning of the highlighted words in the text from their context. What part of speech is each?

# escape (v) = get away

Word

Attack

activities

- Fill in: shaking, swallow, fatal, escape, reptiles, poisonous.
- If you want to ..... from the pressures of the big city, then go to the Florida Everglades.
- 3 Suddenly, the ground started ....... It was an earthquake.
- 4 Alligators and snakes are ......
- 5 People say that the bog can ..... everything.
- 4 **THINK!** CListen to the sounds. Imagine you are lost in the Everglades and you are in trouble. What is happening? What can you see and hear? How do you feel? In three minutes write a few sentences. Tell your partner or the class. Try to use words from the Check these words box.

# Grammar

# Can – Can't – Could – (don't) have to – Must – Must not

5 Read the examples. Then rewrite the sentences using the correct modal verb.

You can/can't camp here. (It's allowed./It isn't allowed.) Snakes can be very dangerous. (It's possible.) Alligators can run very fast. (They are able to.) Sam can't swim very well. (He isn't able to.) Can/Could I borrow your boots? (Is it OK? Asking for permission – informal/formal) You must keep off the grass. (It's the rule.) You must not feed the alligators. (It isn't allowed. It's forbidden.) You have to be careful. (It's necessary.)

You don't have to travel by ferry. (It isn't necessary.)

- It's forbidden to swim in the lake. You can't/must not swim in the lake.
- 2 Is it OK to use your insect repellent?
- 3 It's possible to see alligators there.
- 4 It's allowed to put up our tent here.
- 5 Alligators aren't able to move fast in circles.
- 6 It's possible that you will get lost there.

# Choose the correct modal verb.

- PARK RULES
- 1 You must/can drive slowly through the park.
- 2 You must not/can't litter. Take your garbage with you!
- 3 You can/have to keep your dog on a leash.
- 4 You can/can't fish everywhere only in certain areas.
- 5 You must not/don't have to feed the animals. It's forbidden.

# Writing

7 IT In groups, collect information about how to be safe in the jungle. Write a list of survival tips. Use can/can't/have to/must/ must not. You can do Internet research using the key words: jungle survival tips. Read your tips to the class.

Research







Public speaking development

- Fill in: wash, mop, dust, make, take out, vacuum, set, iron.
  - ..... the floor 5 ..... the garbage 1
- ..... the clothes 2
- ..... the bed 3
- ..... the Δ furniture
- the dishes 7 ..... the table
  - 8 ..... the carpets

6 .....

Choose the correct words. 2

Most road accidents happen when people are crossing the 1) city/street and are due to 2) street crime/bad driving. We should always use a 3) crosswalk/tunnel or cross at the 4) road signs/traffic lights for safety. Don't step off the 5) sidewalk/road unless you're sure it's safe. If you're riding your bicycle, stay in the 6) bus/bike lane and take extra care.

# Match the words 1-7 to the sentences A-G.

police 1 station 2 community center 3 skyscraper 4 swamp

library

coast

pedestrian

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- A You can borrow books there.
- B An area of very wet land.
- C This is where the sea meets the land.
- D People can meet and do things together here.
- E A very tall building. F Someone walking in a city/town.
- G You report crimes here.

# Language Review

- Choose the correct prepositions. 4
  - 1 Highway 1 runs through/along the coast.
  - 2 Be careful! Don't fall down/out of the steps.
  - 3 Keep walking into/towards me!
  - 4 Never run over/across the road. Always walk.
  - 5 Ben always goes to work by/on foot.
  - 6 You can get stuck to/in mud in the Everglades.
  - Cars go under the river past/through the tunnel. 7
  - I prefer to travel around the city by/on bus. 8
  - There is a very comfortable couch in/to our living 9 room.
- Are you taking part in/of the soccer tournament 10 this weekend?
- Fill in: insect, gas, get into, road, real-life, snake, sandy, video, be, community.
- ..... trip 1 ..... videos 2 3 ..... bite ..... station 4 5 ..... trouble
- repellent 9 beaches 10 .....

8 .....

- center
- ..... footage ..... shocked 7

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In teams, make sentences. Use words/phrases from the list below. Each correct sentence gets one point. The team with the most points wins.

- focus on catchy pedestrians
- oncoming traffic patrol car road trip
- breeding season
   popular sight
   survive
- escape from get into trouble fatal
- ground shaking
   run away
   mop
   chores
- public services
   obey rules
   report crimes

Games & Quizzes

Read through Module 1 and mark the sentences T (true) or F (false). Now write a quiz of your own. Give it to your partner. Check his/her answers.

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- Alligators can't run very fast.
- 2 Hearst Castle has 56 bedrooms.
- 3 Flash floods can travel up to 80 mph. .....
- 4 The Golden Gate Bridge is in Australia.
- 5 Death Valley is a very hot place.
- 6 The Florida Everglades area has 4,000 mi<sup>2</sup> of swamps.
- 7 Alligators are reptiles.
- 8 You can see elephant seals in San Francisco.

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# Revision

- Fill in: poisonous, hand-held, breeding, signs, focus, patrol, cuts, fall into, fatal, borrow.
- 1 Always obey the road ......
- 2 You mustn't panic if you ..... a mud bog!
- 3 Do you ever ..... books from the library?
- 5 My dad hates it when another driver ..... him off.
- 6 December to February is ...... season for elephant seals. They give birth to a single pup.
- 7 Try to ..... on what he is talking about.
- 8 The ..... car was chasing the suspect through the streets.
- 9 Scorpion stings can be ....., so you should be very careful.
- 10 There are lots of ...... spiders and snakes in a jungle. Their bites can be very dangerous. 10x2=20 marks

# Choose the correct word.

- I can't/don't have to work tonight. Let's go to the movies.
- 2 He must not/doesn't have to drive a car. He doesn't have a license.
- 3 Cars should/must stop when the traffic lights are red.
- 4 Could/Should you answer the phone, please?
- 5 You can't/shouldn't go into a forest without insect repellent. 5x2=10 marks
- 3 Complete the sentences with the correct comparative or superlative form of the adjectives in parentheses.
  - 1 The Empire State Building is .....

  - Francisco is on a cable car.

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5x2=10 marks

- 4 Fill in: Round-trip, please. Here you are. I'd like two tickets to Monterrey, please. – We'd like to take the 9:30 am bus.
  - 1 A: That's \$36, please.
  - B: .....
  - 2 A: What time would you like to leave?
  - B: ..... 3 A: Hello. Can I help you?
    - B: .....
  - 4 A: One-way or round-trip?
    - B: .....

4x5=20 marks

5 Read the e-mail and mark the sentences T (true), F (false), or DS (doesn't say).

# Dear Tina,

Sorry to hear about your noisy neighbors, but I think I can help! Why don't you talk to them? Then you can explain that you can't sleep because of their loud music and you have to get up early for work. Maybe they don't know the music is a problem. I think you should ask them not to play music loudly after 10 pm. This way you can get to sleep early!

Hope my advice helps. Write back and tell me what happens. Sam

- Tina is having a problem with her roommates.
- 2 She can't sleep very well at the moment. .....
- 3 She has to be at work at 9 am.
- 4 Sam thinks the neighbors shouldn't play music after 10 pm.
- 5 Sam has some noisy neighbors too. ....... 5x4=20 marks
- 6 Your friend has a problem with his/her neighbors. Their dog barks outside all night. Write a short e-mail to your friend giving your advice (80-100 words). 20 marks

### Total: 100 marks

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# Check your Progress • talk and write about city life and country life • describe movement • compare places • buy a ticket • talk and write about survival in the countryside • make requests • write an informal e-mail giving advice GOOD ✓ VERY GOOD ✓✓ EXCELLENT ✓✓✓

Check your progress sections to encourage Self Evaluation

# SAMPLE PAGE FROM GRAMMAR REFERENCE SECTION

# **MODULE 1**

# Prepositions of Movement

### Use

We use prepositions of movement to show the direction in which somebody or something is moving.



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# Comparative and Superlative

across

down

	ADJECTIVE	COMPARATIVE	SUPERLATIVE
one- syllable adjectives	short big	shorter bigger	short <b>est</b> biggest
-y adjectives	happy	happier	happiest
adjectives with two or more syllables	beautiful	more beautiful	the most beautiful
irregular forms	good bad much many	better worse more	the best the worst the most

### Form

 One-syllable adjectives add -(e)r/-(e)st to form their comparative and superlative forms.

small – smaller (than) – the smallest (of/in), simple – simpler (than) – the simplest (of/in)

 Adjectives of two or more syllables take more/most. expensive – more expensive (than) - the most expensive (of/in)

# Spelling

- One-syllable adjectives ending in a vowel + a consonant double the last consonant and add -er/-est. thin - thinner (than) - the thinnest (of/in)
- One-syllable adjectives ending in -e take -r/-st. nice nicer (than) - the nicest (of/in)

# **Grammar Reference Section**

 Two-syllable adjectives ending in a consonant + y change the -y to -i and add -er/-est. busy - busier (than) - the busiest (of/in)

### Use

- We use the comparative form to compare two people, things, places, etc. We usually use than with comparative adjectives. Trains are faster than cars.
- We use the superlative form to compare one person or thing with more than one person or thing in the same group. We use the ... (of/in) with superlative adjectives. The cheetah is the fastest animal of all. Judy is the tallest girl in the class.
- We use (not) as + adjective + as to show that two people, places, or things are/are not similar. The red dress is not as expensive as the blue one.
- We use very + adjective.
   It is very cold today.
- We also use much + comparative form + than. He isn't much younger than me.

# Can – Can't – Could – Have to – Must – Mustn't

We use can to:

- express ability in the present. He can speak three languages. (He has the ability.)
- ask for permission. Can I borrow your dictionary? (May I?)
- give permission. Yes, you can use my laptop. (You are allowed.)
- express possibility. (It's certain.) She can win the race. (It's possible.)

### We use can't to:

refuse permission. No, you can't go to the park until you finish your homework. (You aren't allowed to.)

### We use could to:

- ask for permission or make a request, in a polite way. Could I close the window, please?
- express general ability in the past. He could read at the age of five.

# We use must to:

express obligation or duty. You must wear a helmet when you ride a motorbike. (It's the rule/law.)

### We use mustn't to:

express prohibition. You mustn't talk in the library. (It isn't allowed.)

### We use have to to:

express necessity. I have to study hard for the math test. (It's necessary.)

### We use don't have to to:

express lack of necessity. You don't have to come with us if you don't want to. (It isn't necessary.)

### We use should/shouldn't to:

give advice. You should wear a hat in the sun. (It's a good idea.) You shouldn't eat lots of candies. (It isn't a good idea.)

# SAMPLE PAGES FROM WORKBOOK SECTION



- 2 \* Choose the correct word.
  - Crete is a(n) beautiful/ugly island in the Mediterranean Sea that lots of tourists visit each year.
  - 2 The streets are quiet/crowded and there's lots of traffic.
  - 3 The city has lots of modern/ historical skyscrapers.
  - 4 Los Angeles is famous for its exciting/boring nightlife. Everyone enjoys it.
  - 5 The streets are really dirty/clean. We should pick up the litter.
  - 6 There are some dangerous/safe areas where you shouldn't go at night.
  - 7 We need a(n) cheap/expensive hotel. We don't have a lot of money.
  - 8 My neighborhood is really quiet/noisy. Sometimes I can't sleep at night.

Match to make phrases, then use them to complete the sentences.



- 1 Take a map with you, so you don't ......
- 2 Use insect repellent and you won't ......
- 3 Crawl out slowly if you .....
- 4 If you ..... climb a tree.
- 5 Be careful not to ..... it could be poisonous.

4 ★ Fill in: wash, mop, dust, make, take out, vacuum, set, iron in the correct form.

- 1 John always ..... his bed in the morning.
- 2 Lisa hates ..... the dishes, she'd rather dry them.
- 3 A: If you ..... the carpets, I'll ..... the furniture.
  - B: OK.
- 4 A: Mom, can you ..... my shirt, please?
- B: Yes, but in exchange, you can ..... the garbage.
- 5 At home, Lyn has to ..... the table every day.
- 6 The chore Tom hates the most is ..... the floor.



# 5 ★ Match the words to their definitions. Then use them to complete the sentences 1-8.

1	sidewalk
2	railroad crossing
3	tunnel
4	bridge
5	crosswalk

- 6 bus lane
- 7 road sign
- 8 traffic light
- Contracting in
- A Pedestrians should use it when they cross the road.
- B Place where pedestrians walk next to the road.
- C It stops and starts traffic.
- D A place where a train crosses a road.
- E Only public transportation vehicles can travel along it.
- F An underground passage for cars or trains.
- G It gives information to drivers.
- H It allows people or vehicles to cross over a river, road, etc.
- 1 You must stop when the .....is red.
- 2 It's quicker if you take the ...... through the mountain.
- 4 You can cross the street at the
- 5 The driver didn't see the ..... and drove down the wrong road.
- 6 You have to cross the ...... to get over the river.
- 7 Cars are not allowed to drive in the ......

# Grammar

★ Jack wrote an e-mail to his friend to give him directions to his house. Choose the correct word.

From: Jack

To: Barry Subject: Directions

# Hi Barry,

Here are the directions to my house. When you get off the bus, walk 1) over/along Hope Street. Go 2) past/under the shopping mall and turn right 3) on/up Albert Street. Walk 4) towards/down Albert Street to the entrance of the park. Go 5) into/out the park and follow the path all the way 6) down/through the park, then go 7) into/over the bridge. Walk 8) through/across Green Street and you're there. You can't miss my house — it's the one with the red roof. See you on Tuesday.

Jack

# 7 🖈 Fill in with much or very.

- 1 This department store is always ..... crowded.
- 2 My neighborhood is ..... noisier than yours.
- 3 Jane's new apartment is ..... more modern
- than her old place. 4 Bob's garden isn't ..... bigger than Ray's.
- 5 The city's central park is ..... beautiful in the fall.

# 8 ★★ Complete the sentences. Use the comparative or the superlative form of the words in parentheses.

- (warm) than in London. 5 Traffic in New York is

- 8 The Mayan civilization is ..... (old) than the Aztec.





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