Unit 14 • Travel and Adventure

WORKSHEET

Full marks 32

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1 Words from the blog [3]

Match each word in Column A with its meaning in Column B. Write the letter in the box. One meaning in Column B is not needed.

Column A		Column B
1. nestled	☐	a. a painting made directly on a wall
2. mural	☐	b. calm, quiet and peaceful
3. grisly	☐	c. a short trip on a river in a small boat
4. tranquil	☐	d. lying in a sheltered place, as if in a nest
5. vestige	☐	e. horrible to see, because it has to do with death
6. hoax	☐	f. a small part or sign of something that is left
		g. a trick that makes people believe something false

2 Words from the poem [3]

Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the box. Two words are not needed.

dun	maid	nestling	rivulet	rook	shower	shun	throb

We were caught in a sudden _____ on the way home from school. A baby bird too young to leave the nest is a _____. Many people _____ crowded buses and walk to work instead. After the heavy rain, the little _____ behind our house became a muddy stream. The old horse was a dull grayish-brown, a color called _____. A black _____ sat on the fence and called to the others.

3 Reading I: Expect the Unexpected [4]

Read "Expect the Unexpected" on pages 225–227 of your English textbook. Then choose the correct answer.

i. On the short drive from the airport, the writer was amazed by … [1]

a. the tall glass buildings and the traffic.
b. the red-brick houses, the smiling faces and the cattle wandering among the buildings.
c. the snow mountains and the lakes.
d. the murals on the airport's walls.

ii. The college students in Patan believed that in today's Nepal … [1]

a. education is more important than skill.
b. skill is more important than education.
c. tourism is the only good job.
d. students should study abroad.

iii. At Pashupatinath, the writer was surprised because … **[1]**

a. the temple was closed to visitors.

b. there were no sadhus.

c. she expected a cremation to be grisly, but it felt calm, and the families didn't mind visitors.

d. the Bagmati River had dried up.

iv. By the end of the blog, the writer wants her readers to … **[1]**

a. avoid Nepal in the off season.

b. visit only Pokhara.

c. visit Nepal and not be put off by false stories in the media.

d. try paragliding in South Africa.

4 Reading II: Weathers [4]

Read the poem "Weathers" by Thomas Hardy on page 234 of your textbook. Then answer the following questions.

a. Which bird likes the weather of the first stanza? **[1]**

b. Who shuns the weather of the second stanza? **[1]**

c. What do the rooks do in the second stanza's weather? **[1]**

d. What does the repeated line "And so do I" tell us about the speaker? **[1]**

5 Reading III: a travelogue [3]

Read the travelogue below. Write ✓ for the true statements and ✗ for the false ones in the box.

Three Days to Rara

Last Dashain, my father and I traveled to Rara, the biggest lake in Nepal. It lies in Mugu district in Karnali Province, at almost 3,000 meters, inside Rara National Park.

The journey was long. We took a bus from Nepalgunj to Surkhet, and then a jeep along a dusty mountain road for two whole days. My back ached, and every time the jeep bounced, my father laughed and said, "Good things never come easily."

On the third morning we walked the last few hours through a forest of tall pines. Suddenly the trees opened, and there it was: a huge lake of deep blue, so still that the hills and clouds looked twice as tall in it.

We stayed two nights in a small lodge. In the evenings it was so cold that we sat close to the fire, drinking hot tea and listening to the owner's stories of the lake.

I have seen many photos of Rara, but no photo showed me its silence. I will go back one day, even if the road is just as bad.

i. Rara lies inside a national park. ☐

ii. The writer flew from Nepalgunj to Rara. ☐

iii. The writer stayed at Rara for a week. ☐

6 Reading III: short answers [2]

Answer the following questions about the same travelogue.

a. Why did the hills and clouds look “twice as tall”? [1]

b. What did the father mean by “Good things never come easily”? [1]

7 Grammar: question tags [6]

Add suitable question tags.

a. Pokhara is famous for paragliding, ...? [1]

b. They went to Chitwan last winter, ...? [1]

c. I am in your group, ...? [1]

d. Let’s visit Bandipur this Dashain, ...? [1]

e. Nobody missed the bus, ...? [1]

f. She hardly ever travels by plane, ...? [1]

8 Writing: a travelogue [5]

Write a travelogue using the clues given below.

Write a short travelogue of about 120 words about a place you have visited. Clues: where and when you went … with whom and why … how you traveled … what you saw and did … one person you met … what you learned or felt

9 Think [2]

Answer the following question in your own words.

The writer of "Expect the Unexpected" says Nepal should not be avoided because of "media hoaxes". Why do you think people abroad sometimes have a wrong picture of a country? Give two reasons.