Unit 17 · Countries and Towns

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. destination	☐	a. full of energy and life
2. cuisine	☐	b. perfect, without any fault
3. vibrant	☐	c. the place you are traveling to
4. rusty	☐	d. a style of cooking
5. urbanite	☐	e. a warm sauce of milk, eggs and sugar
6. impeccable	☐	f. (of a skill) weaker because you haven't practiced
		g. a person who lives in a town or city

2 Words from the poem [3]

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

contentment	frown	reluctant	snug	stray	trifle	unmolested	venture

On the cold night, the children were _____ under their thick quilts. The cat lived _____ in the old temple; nobody ever chased it away. Our teacher began to _____ when she saw the messy room. He was _____ to lend his new bicycle to anyone. I can't _____ out in this storm. The rice farmer lived a simple life of _____, happy with what he had.

3 Reading I: London vs Paris [4]

Read "London vs Paris" on pages 273–277 of your English textbook. Then choose the correct answer.

i. The River Seine flows through … [1]

a. London. **b.** Paris.
c. both cities. **d.** neither city.

ii. According to the writer, the French greet friends with … [1]

a. a bow. **b.** a handshake only.
c. a kiss on the cheek (or a handshake). **d.** a wave.

iii. The writer calls Paris "pocket-friendly" because … [1]

a. it has fewer pickpockets.

b. its transport and bills are cheaper, so a trip costs less.

c. it has more museums.

d. its shops are small.

iv. The writer ends without choosing a winner because … [1]

a. she has never visited either city.

b. both cities are equally expensive.

c. each city has its own strengths, so the choice depends on what the traveler wants.

d. she wants readers to visit Bangkok instead.

4 Reading II: The Country Mouse and the City Mouse [4]

Read the poem "The Country Mouse and the City Mouse" on pages 283–285 of your textbook. Then answer the following questions.

a. What did the country mouse eat for supper? [1]

b. Who came into the room while the two mice were feasting? [1]

c. Why did the country mouse go to town even though she was reluctant? [1]

d. What is the moral of the poem? [1]

5 Reading III: an unseen article [3]

Read the article below. Then fill in the blanks with the correct words from it.

Two Ways to Shop

Every Tuesday, the haat bazaar in our town fills an open field by the river. Farmers bring vegetables picked that morning, potters spread out their pots on sacks, and a man sells sweets from a big round tray. There are no price tags: you ask, the seller names a price, and you bargain with a smile. By evening the field is empty again.

In the city, my cousin shops at a supermarket. It is open every day from nine in the morning until nine at night. Everything has a price tag, the shelves are neat, and the air conditioning keeps it cool even in Jestha. But many of its vegetables have traveled for days, and nobody knows the person who grew them.

The supermarket is more convenient; the haat bazaar is fresher and friendlier. My mother says the bazaar sells something no supermarket can: the news of the whole valley, free with every kilo of tomatoes.

a. The haat bazaar is held every ……. . [1]

b. At the haat bazaar, there are no ……., so buyers bargain. [1]

c. The supermarket is open from nine in the morning until ……. . [1]

6 Reading III: short answers [2]

Answer the following questions about the same article.

a. Give one advantage of the supermarket over the haat bazaar. [1]

b. What does the mother mean by “the news of the whole valley, free with every kilo of tomatoes”? [1]

7 Grammar: adjectives, adverbs and comparison [6]

Complete the sentences using the correct form of the words in brackets.

a. London is ……. (big) than Paris. [1]

b. Paris is one of the ……. (crowded) cities in Europe. [1]

c. A bicycle is not as ……. (fast) as a motorbike. [1]

d. My brother speaks English ……. (good) than I do. [1]

e. She sang ……. (beautiful) at the school function. [1]

f. The soup tastes ……. (wonderful). [1]

8 Writing: describing a place [5]

Write a description using the notes given below.

Describe the hill town of Tansen in about 120 words, using these notes: Palpa district … a hill town with old Newar houses and narrow streets … Rani Mahal, a palace by the Kali Gandaki, called "the Taj Mahal of Nepal" … Shreenagar hill, views of the Himalaya … famous for Palpali dhaka cloth and metal pots (karuwa) … a cool, peaceful town

9 Think [2]

Answer the following question in your own words.

The country mouse chose a simple, peaceful life over a rich life in fear. Would you rather live in a village or a city? Give two reasons for your answer.