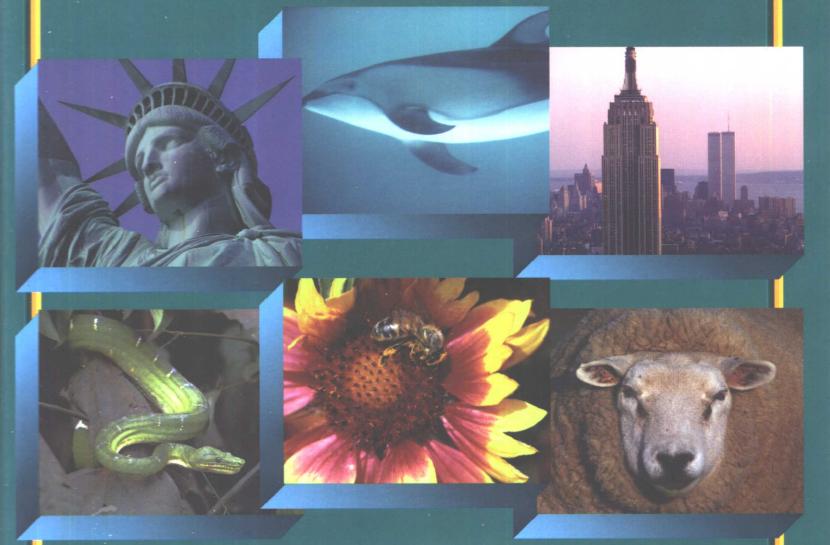
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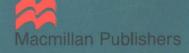


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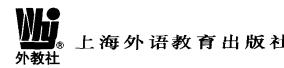
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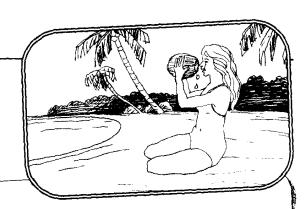
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UNIT 13 The USA

PASSAGE 1

A Holiday in the USA



Dear Mei,

I'm sorry I've taken so long to reply to your last letter. I've been travelling across the USA with my family for six weeks, and finding time to write has been difficult. What the USA with my family for six weeks, and finding time to write has been difficult. What happened was that in late June my father's company sent him to find a suitable location for a new office. Luckily, his trip coincided with my school summer holidays, so Mum and I were able to go with him.

Our first stop was Hawaii. Of course, Dad was in Hawaii to work so he didn't get to see as much of the islands as Mum and I. We visited pineapple and nut plantations, toured a handful of the smaller islands by boat, and flew over some of Hawaii's active volcances. Our favourite part of the trip to Hawaii was swimming at Waikiki Beach — it was very beautiful. Hawaii is a popular destination for Asian tourists, and there were many Japanese and Koreans there. We made some new friends and we all promised to keep in touch with each other.

From Hawaii we flew to San Francisco. Our entry to the city was spectacular because we crossed the Golden Gate Bridge by car. I loved riding San Francisco's cable cars, but 15 they were very busy. They run up and down the city's steep hills and are a popular tourist attraction.

tourist attraction.

The next city which we visited was Chicago, or "The Windy City" as it is known. It is on the southern tip of Lake Michigan and it was the first city ever to have a skyscraper. Today skyscrapers are a common feature of the Chicago skyline. We went to the top of 20 the Sears Tower, which was once the world's tallest building, and looked out over the city.

Our next destination was Boston, where some of the USA's most famous schools and colleges are situated. In fact, there are over 70 colleges in Boston and the surrounding area. Boston is also famous for its many historic buildings. We spent an interesting afternoon walking along its tree-lined streets and avenues.

New Orleans was the last place that we visited. Its existence dates back to the 18th century, when it was founded by French settlers. The Spanish took possession of the territory in 1763, then it was returned to France for a short time before finally becoming the property of the USA in 1803. I liked New Orleans a lot and my dad did too. He found an office for his company in the city, so I hope we will visit New Orleans again.

Now that we are home, our trip across America seems like a dream. It was enjoyable, but it was a tiring experience and I'm glad to be back.

Please write soon.

Your friend,

Sally

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COMPREHENSION

A Are the statements true or false? Tick (1) the boxes. Correct the false statements. Follow the example. True False Sally's family went on the trip so that they could all relax.] [\] 1 2 Sally's family visited five places in America.] In Hawaii, Sally and her mother spent all their time on the beach. [3 4 There were very few tourists in Hawaii at the time that Sally was there. Few people choose to travel by cable car in San Francisco. 5 The Sears Tower is not open to the public.] [6 New Orleans has been part of the USA since the 18th century. ſ Although Sally enjoyed the trip, she was happy to return home.] [1 Sally's father was working but his family went with him to relax. Complete the sentences. Follow the example. Sally's father had to spend over a month travelling around the USA in order to find a suitable location for a new office. In Hawaii, Sally and her mother flew 2 Many Asian tourists 3 The landscape of San Francisco 4 From the top of the Sears Tower, you can 5 In and around Boston, you will find 6

The city of New Orleans previously belonged

Sally's father found a new office for his company

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Αı	nswer the questions. Follow the example.
1	Why does Sally apologize to Mei at the start of her letter?
	Sally apologizes to Mei at the start of her letter because she has taken a long
	time to reply to the last letter which Mei wrote.
2	Why was Sally able to join her father on this trip?
3	Will Sally write to the new friends she made in Hawaii? How do you know?
4	Which countries are Sally's new friends from?
5	Why was the Sears Tower famous when it was first built?
6	According to the passage, what are two of Boston's most famous features?
7	Do you think that New Orleans was the scene of fighting in the past? Why/Why not?
8	Based on the information given in the passage, which place in the USA would
	you most like to visit? Why?

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- late (line 4) 1
 - a) after the expected time
 - **(b))** towards the end of a period
- active (line 9)
 - a) energetic
 - b) functioning fully
- keep in touch (lines 12-13)
 - a) touch someone
 - b) communicate
- steep (line 16)
 - a) unreasonable
 - **b)** rising or falling quickly

- tip (line 19)
 - a) pointed end of an object
 - **b**) pour
- 6 common (line 20)
 - a) usual
 - b) joined together
- spent (line 24)
 - a) passed or used time
 - b) gave money in payment
- trip (line 31)
 - a) fall
 - **b**) journey

B Replace the words in italics with words from the passage. Follow the example.

coincided with

- 1 Unfortunately my birthday party was at the same time as my friend's concert, so she wasn't able to come.
- 2 One important thing which people find interesting in San Francisco is the area known as Fisherman's Wharf.
- 3 'New Orleans is the final place we will visit,' said Sally's father.
- 4 Jackie Chan is a movie star who is admired by many people all over the world.
- 5 The Philippines is a group of pieces of land surrounded by water in South East Asia.
- 6 The show was a grand and impressive success on its first night, so I think it will be very popular.
- 7 New Orleans is in a position to the south of New York.
- 8 The police found some stolen possessions when they searched the man's house.

1	I speak English so I would be a suitable candidate for the position of tour guide.
2	Do you know the of the museum? I can't find it on the map
3	Tea are usually on hillsides, which is where tea bushes grow best.
4	Last night I had a about flying, but when I woke up I was still in bed.
5	The return of Hong Kong to China in 1997 was anoccasion.
6	The People's Republic of China was in 1949.
7	I to be home before nine o'clock, so I must leave at 8.30.
Q	There are lots of hills in the area San Francisco.

PASSAGE 2

Coney Island

Are you looking for a fun day out in New York at a reasonable price? Then look no further than the amusement parks situated at the historic Coney Island entertainment centre in New York City. You'll find something for the whole family to enjoy here, including games, rides and restaurants. For non-stop entertainment, Coney Island is the place to be!

Astroland Amusement Park

Astroland is located on the Coney Island Boardwalk, right beside the beach. There are more than 30 exciting rides

Step inside our Haunted House, where ghosts and ghouls will have a terrifying effect on those brave enough to

enter! Experience the wet and wild excitement of our giant Water Flume water slide!

Be ready to scream when you ride our Cyclone Roller Coaster!

And when it's time to eat, choose from one of the many restaurants or fast-food outlets situated in the park. You can also bring a picnic lunch and eat it in the grounds of Astroland if you wish.

Admission and Opening Times

Noon to midnight Individual tickets for rides: \$1.75 - \$4

Easter to 15th June: weekends only Pay One Price (POP) ticket: \$12.99 for unlimited rides 16th June to early September: daily

Special group rates also available You can drive or take the subway. On-site parking is

How do I get there? available.

Deno's Wonder Wheel Park

The Wonder Wheel in Deno's Park, which was built in 1920, is 45 meters high and has 24 cars. It offers a panoramic view of the surrounding area that has delighted and impressed visitors for more than seven decades.

As well as the Wonder Wheel there are another 24 rides in the park, such as the High-Flyer and the Thunderbolt. We also cater for youngsters with our specially created Kiddy Park – the largest children's park on Coney Island.

Admission and Opening Times

Entry to the park is free. You pay separately for each ride you take. The park is open from 11am until midnight, seven days a week, from the beginning of May to the end of September. In April and October, the park opens at

How do I get there?

We are on the boardwalk between the hot dog restaurant and the aquarium.

If you are driving, we are only minutes away from Manhattan Island.

If you are using New York City's excellent public transport system, getting to Coney Island is easy with a MetroCard. Your MetroCard is valid for travel on the subway or on any New York City Transit Bus. Cards are available at subway stations in denominations of \$3-\$80 or at neighbourhood shops, which sell \$6 and \$15 cards only.

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Α	Complete	the	table	with	informatio	n from	the	passage.	Follow	the	example.
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1	Entertainment centre:	Astroland Amusement	Park		Deno's Wonder Wheel Park
2	Location:				
3	Number of rides:				
4	Name and description of a ride:				
5	Additional facilities:				
6	Opening hours:	<u> </u>	· , ·		
7	Cost of rides:				
8	How to get there: (give details)				
to					so Sally is planning a trip Sally's suggestions. Follow
	should wait a few days be in the late afternoon. Don'	fore we go to t forget, I war	Coney nt to e	Island. I t go on lots	SOth August, but I think we think we should go mid-week and lots of rides, especially has a frightening ride for me
	Can we take our own lunch:	? And let's us	e publi	c transpor	to eat out while we're there. t because it will be cheaper. may be heavy at that time
1	Day: Tuesday, Wednesday o	r Thursday	5	Ticket:	
2	Time:		6 7	Ride: Food:	
3 4	Amusement centre:		8	Transpor	rt:
-				1	6

С	A	Answer the questions. Follow the example.							
	1	1 Is a trip to Coney Island likely to be expensive?							
		No, it is not. The brochure says the price of a day out in Cone	y Island is reasonable						
	2	2 What is similar about the locations of Astroland and Deno's	Wonder Wheel Park?						
	3	3 What is the main advantage of Astroland's POP ticket?							
	4	4 What is the main attraction at Deno's Park?							
	5	5 What is the charge for admission to Deno's Park?							
	6 Which park would a family with younger children probably choose to visit?								
	7	subway stations and							
	8	Would you like to visit Coney Island? Why/Why not?							
v	OC	CABULARY							
Α		Find words in the passage that mean the same as the folexample.	lowing. Follow the						
	1	1 all (introduction)	whole						
	2	2 frightening (lines 1-5)							
	3								
	4	across a wide area (lines 16-20)							
	5	periods of 10 years (lines 16-20)							
	6	particularly (lines 16-20)							
	7	for people in general (lines 26-30)							
	R	R standard values (lines 26-30)							

В	Use th	ie words	and	expressions	in	the	box	to	complete	the	sentences.	Follow
	the ex	ample.										

	individual reasonable	scream valid	delighted neighbourhood	available cater for
1	I amdelighted	to accep	ot your invitation.	
2	He is acomplete your work.	man s	so I am sure he will allo	w you another day to
3	This is a quiettown.		_ as many older peopl	le live in this part of
4	I must buy a ticket returning in three we		for a	month because I am
5	If you look closely at different.	a tree, you v	vill see that each	leaf is
6	These magazinesfind interesting.		teenagers by covering	g subjects which they
7	I heard my sister		and then she shout	ed, "I saw a ghost!"
8	I'm sorry, that shirt is	s not	in your siz	e, sir.
1	_	I think we sl	from the passage. Foll nould take apicr	
2	I had to be	to	day when the dentist to	ook out my tooth.
3	s	hould always	respect their elders.	
4		-	out John had to attend	a meeting so we left
5		the	in the even	ing and look at the
6	If we visit thecreatures.		we will be able to see	lots of fish and sea
7	We are going to the sea.		to lie on the sa	and and swim in the
8	Patients can walk in flowers which grow th		l's	and see the lovely

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PASSAGE 1

Abraham Lincoln and the American Civil War - a 1 History in Newspapers

Confederate States Elect 2 February 1861 President

In the South yesterday, Jefferson Davis was elected President of the Confederate States of America at a conference held by states which have left the Union. President Davis is now leader of the Southern states that refuse to accept President Lincoln's rule. It is hoped that President Lincoln can reason with President Davis and that the two men will find a peaceful solution to the problems which divide the North and the South. One of the main problems is the issue of slavery. Lincoln wants to free slaves, but residents of the Southern States are opposed to this,

Slaves to be Given Freedom September, 1862

President Lincoln announced the Emancipation Proclamation this month, which will take effect on January 1. It is unlikely that any slaves will be freed though because it will only become law in the states of the Union. Southern states, where most of the USA's slaves live, will not make it a law. By issuing the Emancipation Proclamation, Lincoln is showing the world that the Civil War is a fight for freedom - freedom for the slaves of the United States of America, freedom from the hopeless situation they are in at the moment.



Welcome, Mr President!

It has been announced that the election and is now the 16th President of the Abraham Lincoln has won United States of America. The news is expected to spread quickly across the country. It is not clear whether the Southern states will accept his presidency. President Lincoln is opposed to slavery, which is still common throughout the South. Many Southern businessmen rely on slave labour to make large profits.



It has been reported that fighting broke out on 12th April in the state of South Carolina. Confederate WAR! forces started firing on Union troops at Fort Sumter. This is an important location at the entrance to a harbour, which the Confederates want to seize. President Lincoln has called for 75,000 volunteers to fight in order that the rebellion can be stopped. This news is not unexpected. There has been

tension since the states of Virginia, North Carolina. Tennessee and Arkansas left the Union and joined the Confederate states earlier this month, bringing the total number of states in the Confederacy to 11. However, it seems that the South will have to fight hard to defeat the forces of the North. A total of nine million people live in the South; three million of that figure are slaves. The total population of the Union states is 22 million. The North also has more money and industrial strength than the South. It seems unlikely that the South will win the war.

April 15, 1865

Last night the President of the United States of President Assassinated! America, Abraham Lincoln was shot by a man named John Wilkes Booth, a Confederate supporter. It is very sad that this great man, who died this morning. was killed only five days after the North won the Civil War.

COMPREHENSION

В

A Are the statements true or false? Tick (\checkmark) the boxes. Correct the false statements. Follow the example.

		Tr	ue	Fa	lse
1	Abraham Lincoln was President of the United States of America.	[•	/]	[]
2	Lincoln's election was popular with people in the Southern states.	[]	[]
3	Jefferson Davis was elected President of the Confederacy in 1861.	[]	[]
4	Virginia remained part of the Union throughout the Civil War.	[]	[]
5	Many people expected the South to win the Civil War.	[]	[]
6	President Lincoln asked men in the North to fight the Confederate	e			
	Army in April, 1861.	[]	[]
7	All slaves in the Confederacy became free when Lincoln issued				
	the Emancipation Proclamation in 1862.	[]	[]
8	President Lincoln was killed by the Confederate Army.	[]	[]
	nd evidence in the passage to support the statements. Follow the				
1	The result of the 1860 election did not reach all citizens of the U was first announced.	SA	wl	nen	it
	The news is expected to spread quickly across the country.				
2	President Lincoln believed that all people in the United States should be free.	of 	An	neri	ıca
3	Tennessee was not one of the first states to join the Confederacy.				
4	A third of the Confederacy's population were slaves.				
5	Soldiers from the Confederacy started the battle at Fort Sumter.				

	6	Few people were surprised when the North and South started fighting the Civil War
	7	The Union was more powerful than the Confederacy.
	8	President Lincoln did not die immediately.
C	Αı	nswer the questions. Follow the example.
	1	Was Lincoln's opinion of slavery popular throughout the nation?
		No, it was not. Many people in the South opposed Lincoln's opinion of slavery.
	2	Why was slavery important to residents of Confederate states?
	3	Why was a second president elected in 1861?
	4	According to the passage, what was the total population of America in 1861?
	5	Was the Emancipation Proclamation successful?
	6	According to the passage, why did Lincoln and the North fight the Civil War?
	7	What was particularly sad about Abraham Lincoln's death?
	8	Why do you think John Wilkes Booth shot Abraham Lincoln?
T 71	O.C	ADIII ADV
V		ABULARY
4		ld words in the passage which mean the same as the following. Follow the ample.
	1	made known to everyone (para.1) announced
	2	thought or believed (that something would happen) (para.1)

Unit 14: Roots

<u> </u>	ADS	AGE 1: Abraham Lincoln and the American Civil war - a History in Newspaper
	3	found often or in many places (para.1)
	4	depend, require (para.1)
	5	resistance to the established government (para.3)
	6	worry and pressure (para.3)
	7	number, amount (para.3)
	8	based on production in factories (para.3)
В		place the words in italics with words or expressions from the passage. llow the example.
	1	accept Mark is going to ask Susan to marry him and I think she will receive his offer willingly
	2	I am against cruelty to animals.
	3	Our company will hold a formal meeting next week to discuss new projects.
	4	I think that we will win a victory over the Saints in the basketball competition today.
	5	British and American armies, navies and airforces fought against Germany in the Second World War.
	6	The man was released from prison after 20 years.
	7	The government has just passed a new rule controlling the actions of society which will help to reduce pollution.
	8	A man almost killed the king, but luckily the police stopped him.
С	Co	mplete the sentences with words from the passage. Follow the example.
	1	In Australia, there is an <u>election</u> every three years to choose a new government.
	2	Many people in the Southern states of America made money as a result of, but then the North won the Civil War and made it illegal.
	3	If I am offered a job by a different company, I will to take it because I am happy working here.
	4	I will the cake into 10 pieces so that we can all try some.
	5	My family used to live in Beijing but now we are of Shanghai.
	6	When the storm started, the ships moved into the because it was safer there.
	7	The who clean the beach are not paid for the work they do.
	8	I am aof women's rights. I believe women and men should
		be treated equally.