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Big City Life

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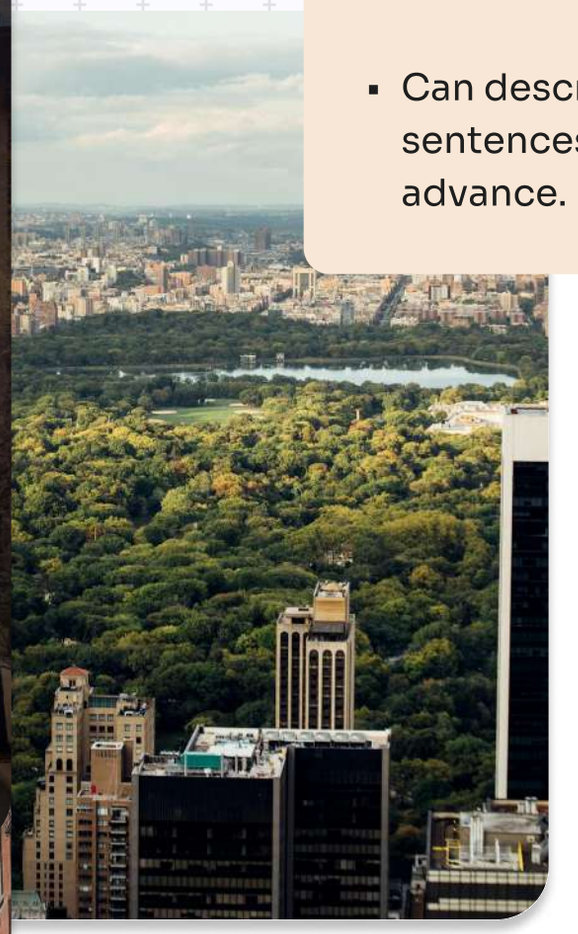

Skills:

- Can understand short, illustrated narratives about everyday activities that are written in simple words
- Can describe simple aspects of his/her everyday life in a series of simple sentences, using simple words and basic phrases, provided he/she can prepare in advance.

1 What city do you see in these pictures?

Do you know these words? Discuss them with your teacher.

in the north of | quiet | difficult | find a job | meet new people | go running | different | miss my hometown

2 Read the post from Mike's blog and answer the questions below.

I moved to New York two years ago. I am from a small town in the north of the USA. My town is very quiet and there are not many people there. In New York, there are a lot of people everywhere. There are more than eight million people here!

The first few months were difficult for me. I did not know anybody and I missed my family and friends. Also, it was hard to find a job. But then I found a job at a restaurant and I met a lot of new people. Now I have some good friends here.

New York is a great city. There are a lot of things to do. There are museums, parks, and shops everywhere. I go running in Central Park every weekend. It's beautiful! I also love the food here. There are so many different kinds of restaurants. I like Italian and Mexican food, but my favorite is Chinese food. I eat it almost every day!

Sometimes I miss my hometown, but I like living in New York. Every day is interesting and exciting. I plan to stay here for a long time!

1. Where does he work?
2. What does he do in Central Park?
3. What kind of food does he eat almost every day?

3 Mark the statements as "True", "False" or "Not Given"

- ☐ Mike moved to New York three years ago.
- ☐ Mike's hometown has a population of less than 1,000 people.
- ☐ Mike found a job at a restaurant and made new friends.
- ☐ Mike goes running in Central Park every day.
- ☐ Mike's favorite food is sushi.
- ☐ Every day is boring for Mike.
- ☐ Mike plans to move back to their hometown next year.

4 Fill in the gaps in these facts about New York with the words from Exercise 1.

1. New York is in _____(1) the USA.

2. If you want to find a _____(2) place to relax in New York, you should go to Brooklyn Botanic Garden or Central park, for example.

3. It can be_____(3) to find a _____(4) in New York because there are a lot of people.

4. You can meet many _____(5) from _____(6) countries in New York.

5. Many people in New York like to _____(7) in the morning.

6. Lady Gaga was born in New York and it's her _____(8).

5 Homework:

Living in a town vs. Living in a city

What is better?
Write 4-6 sentences. Use at least 4 words from Exercise 1.

Correct answers

1

The words were taken out of the text with the help of “Fill in the Gap”

2

The text was made in the “Create a text” tool

1. He works in a restaurant.
2. He goes running in Central Park.
3. He eats Chinese food almost every day.

3

Made in “True/False”

1. False - Mike moved to New York two years ago.

2. There is no specific information in the text about the number of people that live in Mike's hometown

3. True

4. False - Mike goes running in Central Park every weekend.

5. There is no information in the text about Mike’s favourite dish.

6. False - Mike finds every day interesting and exciting.

7. False - Mike plans to stay in New York for a long time.

4

Made in “Sentences with target vocabulary” + “Fill in the Gap”

1. the north of
2. quiet
3. difficult
4. job
5. new people
6. different
7. go running
8. hometown