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WORD BOX

are traditions shapes people easy in cultural each

New Zealand is a great country with an interesting culture.

The native _____ there are the Maori people.

A few hundred years ago, Europeans came to New Zealand.

Before that, the Maori were the only people living on the land.

Today, Maori people make up 15 percent of New Zealand's population.

They are a _____ and ethnic minority _____ New Zealand.

The Maori people have unique _____.

One particular tradition is _____ to notice.

They get tattoos. The tattoos are a kind of art.

It's called body art.

It's an important part of Maori culture.

The tattoos have lots of details, _____, and patterns.

They are very beautiful. They _____ impressive.

But even more impressive is the fact that _____ Maori tattoo is different.

No two tattoos are the same.

Tattoos have become popular around the world.

There are many different styles of tattoos.

The word tattoo may have come from the original native Maori word tautau.

Many people don't understand the meaning of tattoos.

They mean different things to different people in different places.

It's good to understand the history of things.

Structure Writing Practice

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Time Expression

last weekend

in the past

today

years ago

1. Few hundred **years**, Europeans came to New Zealand.

2. **Yesterday**, Maori people make up 15 percent of New Zealand's population.

3. **In the future**, people had different knowledge.

4. She wrote the letter **weekend**.

5. Europeans came to North America a few hundred **ago**.

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actually people soon It's population support place working

Hi Nate,

This December, I will travel to India with my family. I've been reading a lot about the country recently.

It's a **fascinating** _____.

Here are some interesting facts about India.

Many people know that China is currently the most populated country in the world. It has roughly 1.3 billion people.

Did you know that India is not far behind, with about 1.2 billion people?

In fact, more _____ are **born** in India every year than in China.

People **expect** its _____ to **pass** China's _____.

India's population is growing. But the population in other crowded countries, like Japan and South Korea, are _____ **shrinking**.

The _____ **adults** are **supporting** the _____ people of these countries.

They are also having fewer children. So there will be fewer adults to the elderly in the future. _____ a **crisis**.

India has a different population problem.

The cities are overpopulated.

Most people in India are younger than 35.

I will have plenty of chances to meet people.

India also has the most wild tigers in the world.

I hope I can see one while traveling there.

Furthermore, India makes the most new movies in the world every year.

I plan to go to the movies there.

I'm really excited to go.

-Pete

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Adverbs

currently *peacefully* *easily* *eventually*

1. Eventual, the government changed the law.

2. I am current listening pop songs of other countries.

3. They finished their homework eventual.

4. I can easy cook the soup.

5. The birds are sitting on a tree peace.

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ice moved along left noticed explain rocks scientist

Death Valley is one of the lowest, hottest places in the world.

It's an amazing desert in the western US.

But something mysterious happens there sometimes.

Rocks as heavy as 180 kg can move up to 450 m across the desert floor.

How does this happen?

The climate doesn't _____ this.

For centuries, people _____ that huge rocks _____ overnight.

No one saw them move.

There were no footprints in the sand.

There were no signs of human activity around anywhere.

Trails were _____ behind by the moving rocks.

So what moved the rocks?

Scientists couldn't understand how the rocks moved.

For years, people saw strange lights in the night sky.

Did the lights move the rocks?

Finally, a _____ solved the mystery.

Deserts are hot in the day, but they get very cold at night.

In winter, the ground freezes.

On the desert floor, thin sheets of _____ form. Not many plants grow in the desert.

Powerful winds blow heavy rocks across the ice in the bare desert.

The _____ scrape the desert floor as they skate _____ the ice.

A trail is left behind.

It's a simple answer to an old mystery.

The climate explains a lot, after all.

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Prepositional Phrases of Movement

behind along across

1. Rocks as heavy as 180kg can move up to 450m **cross** the desert floor.

2. A trail is left **be**.

3. They skate **long** the path and leave a trail behind them.

4. Powerful winds blow the heavy rocks **Across** the ice, leaving **front** mysterious-looking trails on the desert floor.

5. They walked **alone** the road together.

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temperatures water called humans naturally other Our Earth

Where could humans go if we had to leave Earth?

_____ solar system is huge.

We don't know that much about it.

There's no other place, besides Earth, that can _____ sustain human life.

Living things on Earth need air, water, food, shelter, light, and nutrients to survive.

We also need _____ conditions, like appropriate _____.

The Earth is surrounded by a layer of gases _____ the atmosphere.

It's essential to life on _____. It provides many things we need to live. One example is the air we breathe.

There is another place in our solar system where some of these things exist.

It's a moon of the planet Jupiter, called Europa.

Its conditions could be suitable _____.

Europa's atmosphere is made up of mostly oxygen.

Scientists also believe Europa's surface has _____.

Of course, it's not perfect.

The highest temperature on Europa is -160°C .

No human can survive that.

There are other problems, too.

But a space colony may allow us to survive there.

Scientists are studying Europa.

They want to find out if there's life there.

They want to learn if humans could survive there.

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Modals

may could may not can't,

1. I go to the restroom, please?

2. I can walk well. Because I got surgery yesterday.

3. It is rain today. It is cloudy.

4. They want to learn about the universe if humans could not survive there.

5. She said she is busy these days. So she may come to this party.

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year Some change easily happen size e-book sales

E-book means electronic book. You can use a **device** called an _____ reader to read e-books.

E-books are popular for many reasons.

First, they are cheaper. On average, e-books are about eight percent cheaper than paper books.

Second, they are faster and easier to buy.

You don't have to go to a bookstore.

You can pay for and download the books from the Internet.

Third, you can **carry** e-books _____.

An e-reader can hold thousands of e-books and remain thin and light.

Finally, an e-book is comfortable to read.

You can change the _____ of the **text**.

You can also _____ the **brightness** of the **screen**.

E-book _____ in the US are **increasing** every _____.

In contrast, paper book sales have been going down.

In 2012, e-book sales were \$3.04 billion in the US.

Paper book sales were \$11.9 billion.

In 2014, e-book sales climbed to \$5.7 billion. Paper book sales fell to \$10 billion.

_____ **experts** say that e-books will sell more than paper books.

They **predict** this will _____ in the US by 2018.

Experts say that e-book sales will rise to \$12.8 billion.

On the other hand, paper book sales will shrink to \$7.9 billion.

These numbers show that e-books are becoming more popular.

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Gerunds & Infinitives

easy

difficult

uncomfortable

fun

1. It is easy for the baby to use.

2. Games are boring to enjoy with friends.

3. The bag is comfortable to carry. It is too heavy.

4. These instructions are really easy to read. I don't have any idea about French.

5. The car is really difficult to drive. I just went to the mart in a few minutes!

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second events drew did first survey were results

Today in math class, I _____ a **survey**. I asked everyone: "What kind of stories do you like to read?"

The **choices** _____:

1. Nonfiction stories, which have facts and information.
2. Fantasy stories which have magic.
3. Science fiction stories about science and technology.
4. Mystery stories, which have **puzzling** _____.
5. Historical fiction stories taking place in the past. They might have real people and places, but the stories are not real.
6. Realistic fiction stories with made-up characters. The stories could happen in real life, but they aren't real.

I gathered the **results** of my _____. Then I _____ a **bar graph**. It shows that fantasy is clearly the most popular.

The results gave me an idea. I did another survey. This time, the question was : "Which fantasy book is your favorite?" I drew a **pie chart** with the _____.

The Harry Potter **series** took _____ place. James and the Giant Peach got three votes. The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe also got three votes. So they **tied** for _____ place.

It was interesting to learn what my classmates like to read!

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Conjunctions

so but

1. I loved this magazine, **it** was too thick.

2. I went to the shop, **so** it was closed.

3. I went to see my friend in Australia **but** she went to Sydney International Airport to meet me.

4. I called my friend to meet outside **but** we meet at the park.

5. The teacher asked questions to all students **and** nobody answered.

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Being active is very important, but do you know why? There are many **benefits** to _____. It is good for your mind and body in many ways. Exercise makes your body stronger. You need a strong body so you don't get _____ **sick**.

Exercise is good for _____ **heart**. Your _____ **pumps blood** around your _____. The more you exercise, the stronger your heart is. Exercise helps you keep a healthy weight. A healthy weight is important so you don't get sick.

Exercise helps your brain work better. When you exercise, more blood goes _____ your **brain**. The more blood through your brain, the better your **memory** _____.

Exercise makes you happier that goes. Exercise is a great way to _____ **stress**. It gives you more energy to do things that make you happy. The more things you do, the better you sleep.

There's a kind of exercise out there for everyone.

You can do it alone or with others.

You can ride your bike or climb the stairs.

You can learn a new team sport.

You will meet people and make friends!

Exercise makes you strong, healthy, and happy. And it's fun to exercise.

So don't forget to exercise!

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Comparative Adjectives

taller *fatter* *better* *stronger* *more*

1. The **most** you exercise, the stronger your body get.

2. The more junk food you eat, the **fat** your body get.

3. He is **tallest** than Jenna. He is the tallest student in our class.

4. She is **not better** cook than her husband. He never cook.

5. Exercise make you **weak** so you get sick less often.

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my sleeve inside regularly Good kind only teeth healthy

_____ habits are important for living a healthy life.

Bad habits are difficult to break.

So it's important to live a life of good, healthy habits.

That's why I have made a list of _____ habits and how to keep them.

Habit #1: Eat healthy.

How? Eat a variety of fruit and vegetables and drink water often.

Eat junk food, like chips and cookies, _____ occasionally.

Habit #2: Always be polite and _____.

How? I say "Please" and "Thank you" frequently, and I always share with my friends.

I help people when they need help before they ask.

Habit #3: Stay active and exercise often.

How? I walk to school, and I take the stairs.

I play outside with my friends.

I never play video games for more than one hour.

Habit #4: Take good care of your _____.

How? I brush and floss _____ teeth every night, and I visit the dentist _____.

Habit #5: Do the "_____ sneeze" when you've caught a cold.

How? I always sneeze into the _____ of my elbow.

Do not spread germs to others.

With these good habits, it's easy to stay healthy.

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Adverbs of Frequency

often

regularly

never

always

1. Eat a variety of fruit and vegetables and drink water **never**.

2. I **all** share useful information with my friend.

3. **Never** be polite and kind. I say "Please" and "Thank you" frequently.

4. My son is a good child. He **always** play video games for more than one hour.

5. I visit the dentist **never**. It helps my teeth to be strong.
