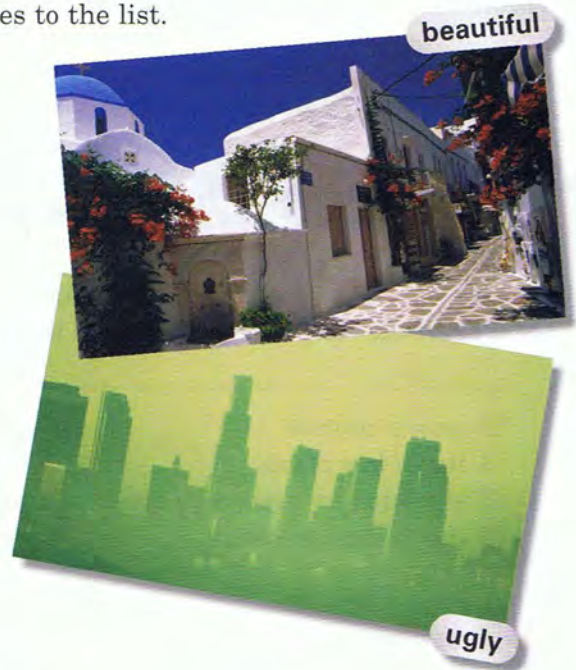


11 It's a very exciting place!

1 WORD POWER Adjectives

A Pair work Match each word in column A with its opposite in column B. Then add two more pairs of adjectives to the list.

- | A | B |
|----------------------|--------------|
| 1. beautiful | a. boring |
| 2. cheap | b. crowded |
| 3. clean | c. dangerous |
| 4. interesting | d. expensive |
| 5. quiet | e. noisy |
| 6. relaxing | f. polluted |
| 7. safe | g. stressful |
| 8. spacious | h. ugly |
| 9. | i. |
| 10. | j. |



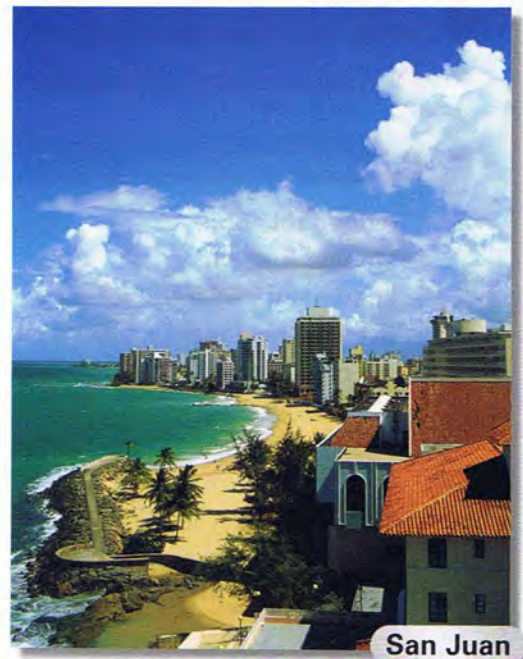
B Pair work Choose two places you know. Describe them to your partner using the words in part A.

2 CONVERSATION It's a fairly big city.

A Listen and practice.

- Eric: So where are you from, Carmen?
 Carmen: I'm from San Juan, Puerto Rico.
 Eric: Wow, I've heard that's a really nice city.
 Carmen: Yeah, it is. The weather is great, and there are some fantastic beaches just outside the city.
 Eric: Is it expensive there?
 Carmen: No, it's not very expensive. Prices are pretty reasonable.
 Eric: How big is the city?
 Carmen: It's a fairly big city, but it's not *too* big.
 Eric: It sounds perfect to me. Maybe I should plan a trip there sometime.

B Listen to the rest of the conversation. What does Carmen say about entertainment in San Juan?



3 GRAMMAR FOCUS

Adverbs before adjectives

San Juan is **really** nice. It's a **really** nice city.
 It's **fairly** big. It's a **fairly** big city.
 It's not **very** expensive. It's not a **very** expensive place.
 It's **too** noisy and it's **too** crowded for me.

adverbs

extremely
 very
 really
 pretty
 fairly
 somewhat

A Match the questions with the answers. Then practice the conversations.

- | | |
|--|--|
| 1. What's Seoul like?
Is it an interesting place? | a. Oh, really? It's beautiful and very clean.
It has a great harbor and beautiful beaches. |
| 2. Do you like your hometown?
Why or why not? | b. Yes, I have. It's an extremely large and crowded
place, but I love it. It has excellent restaurants. |
| 3. What's Sydney like?
I've never been there. | c. Yes. It has amazing shopping, and the people
are pretty friendly. |
| 4. Have you ever been to
São Paulo? | d. Not really. It's too small, and it's really boring.
That's why I moved away. |

Conjunctions

It's an exciting city, **and** the weather is nice. It's a big city. It's not too big, **though**.
 It's a big city, **but** it's not too big. It's a big city. It's not too big, **however**.

B Choose the correct conjunctions and rewrite the sentences.

- Taipei is very nice. Everyone is extremely friendly. (and / but)

- The streets are crowded. It's easy to get around. (and / though)

- The weather is nice. Summers get pretty hot. (and / however)

- Shopping is great. You have to bargain in the markets. (and / but)

- The food is delicious. It's not too expensive. (and / though)

- It's an amazing city. I love to go there. (and / however)



C Group work Describe three cities or towns in your country. State two positive and one negative feature for each.

- A: Lima is very exciting and there are a lot of things to do, but it's too cold.
 B: The weather in Shanghai is . . .

4 LISTENING My hometown

Listen to Joyce and Nicholas talk about their hometowns. What do they say? Check (✓) the correct boxes.

	Big?		Interesting?		Expensive?		Beautiful?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
1. Joyce	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Nicholas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

5 WRITING A magazine article

A Imagine you work for an airline magazine. Think of an interesting place for tourists to visit in your country and write a short article.

East meets West

Istanbul is a very interesting city in western Turkey. It's special for several reasons. First, it has some wonderful mosques. The Blue Mosque is extremely beautiful, and no visitor should miss it. Allow plenty of time to visit this very amazing place. Second, the city has a lot of . . .



B Pair work Exchange papers and read each other's articles. Which place sounds the most interesting?

6 SNAPSHOT

Vacation Spots

Five popular cities and some sights and events there



Carnaval

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil



Ginza Shopping District

Tokyo, Japan



Hollywood Walk of Fame

Los Angeles, California



The Tour de France

Paris, France



Kyongbuk Palace

Seoul, Korea

Source: www.fadars.com

Check (✓) the places you would like to visit.

What three other places in the world would you like to visit? Why?

Put the places you would like to visit in order from most interesting to least interesting.

7 CONVERSATION What should I see there?

A Listen and practice.

Thomas: Can you tell me a little about Mexico City?

Elena: Sure I can. What would you like to know?

Thomas: Well, what's a good time to visit?

Elena: I think you can go anytime. The weather is always nice.

Thomas: Oh, good! And what should I see there?

Elena: Well, you should definitely visit the National Museum and go to the Palace of Fine Arts.

Thomas: And what else?

Elena: Oh, you shouldn't miss the Pyramid of the Sun. It's very interesting.

Thomas: It all sounds really exciting!



the Palace of Fine Arts



the Pyramid of the Sun

B Listen to the rest of the conversation. Where is Thomas from? What should you do there?

8 GRAMMAR FOCUS

Modal verbs can and should

What **can** I do in Mexico City?

You **can** see the Palace of Fine Arts.

You **can't** visit some museums on Mondays.

What **should** I see there?

You **should** visit the National Museum.

You **shouldn't** miss the Pyramid of the Sun.

A Complete these conversations using *can*, *can't*, *should*, or *shouldn't*. Then practice with a partner.

- A: I decide where to go on my vacation.
B: You go to India. It's my favorite place to visit.
- A: I'm planning to go to Bogotá next year. When do you think I go?
B: You go anytime. The weather is nice all year.
- A: I rent a car when I arrive in Cairo? What do you recommend?
B: No, you definitely use the subway. It's fast and efficient.
- A: Where I get some nice jewelry in Bangkok?
B: You miss the weekend market. It's the best place for bargains.
- A: What I see from the Eiffel Tower?
B: You see all of Paris, but in bad weather you see anything.

B Pair work Write answers to these questions about your country. Then compare with a partner.

What time of year should you go there?

What are three things you can do there?

Can you buy anything special?

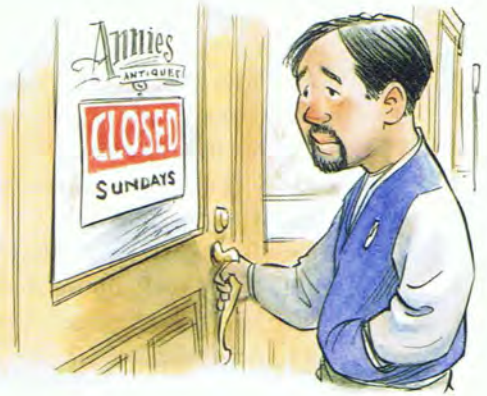
What shouldn't a visitor miss?

9 PRONUNCIATION Can't and shouldn't

A Listen and practice these statements. Notice how the *t* in **can't** and **shouldn't** is not strongly pronounced.

You can't go shopping on Sundays.
 You shouldn't swim at the beaches.
 You can't get a taxi easily at night.
 You shouldn't miss the night markets.

B Class activity Are any of the above statements true about your city or town?



10 LISTENING Three countries

A Listen to speakers talk about Japan, Argentina, and Italy. Complete the chart.

Capital city	What visitors should see or do
1. Japan
2. Argentina
3. Italy

B Listen again. One thing about each country is incorrect. What is it?

11 SPEAKING Interesting places

Group work Has anyone visited an interesting country or place in your country? Find out more about it. Start like this and ask questions like the ones below.

A: I visited Chile once.
 B: Really? What's the best time of year to visit?
 A: You can go anytime. I went in March.
 C: What's the weather like then?

What's the best time of year to visit?
 What's the weather like then?
 What should tourists see and do there?
 What special foods can you eat?
 What's the shopping like?
 What things should people buy?
 What else can visitors do there?



Santiago, Chile

12 INTERCHANGE 11 City guide

Make a guide to fun places in your city. Go to Interchange 11.

13 READING Greetings from . . .

Look at the pictures from three e-mail messages. What place do you think each person is visiting?

Holly: _____

Stan: _____

Melinda: _____



Prague is so cool! My sister was right. It really is one of Europe's most popular tourist destinations.

The city has amazing old buildings. So far, my favorite thing is Prague Castle. It's 1,100 years old! I think it's the largest ancient castle in the world.

Prague also has a lot of cultural events, like the World Dance Festival. I went to a ballet just last night.

Holly



I've definitely come to Shanghai at the right time. Summer has begun, but it's not too hot yet. The Dragon Boat Festival was yesterday. It was fantastic!

If you come to Shanghai, you should see the Bund – a street with terrific shopping, nightclubs, and hotels. It's crowded with locals and tourists. It has some wonderful buildings from the 1930s.

I went on a night cruise of the Huangpu River last night. I met some great people on the boat, mostly foreigners, like me. :)

Stan



Buenos Aires is a fun city, but six days is not enough time for a visit! I'm staying near the mile-long shopping street called Calle Florida. It's a great place to meet people and watch dancers perform the tango. Buenos Aires is the birthplace of the tango.

I also spent a day in the suburb of Tigre. It's about 30 km from the capital, but you can get there quickly by train. We sailed on the canals of the Paraná River delta.

Melinda

A Read the e-mails. Check (✓) the cities where you can do these things. Then complete the chart with examples from the e-mails.

Activity	Prague	Shanghai	Buenos Aires	Specific examples
1. go shopping	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. see old buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. see dancing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. attend a festival	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. take a boat trip	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

B Pair work Which city would you most like to visit? Why?