

SOLUTIONS INTERMEDIATE 5
UNIT 9: JOURNEYS
9G

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Reading

Miscalculations

I can understand texts about mistakes.

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1 Write the measurements using abbreviations for the units.

1 six feet _____

2 nine inches _____

3 five feet ten inches _____

4 two metres sixteen centimetres _____

5 seventy-four kilometres _____

6 fifty-six millimetres _____

2 Read the texts (A–C) and match the titles with the texts.
There is one extra title.

- 1 Side to side
- 2 Safe and sound
- 3 In and out
- 4 There and back?

A

Imagine you were in the middle of a long-distance flight. How would you feel if you were told that your plane had run out of fuel? That's what happened to passengers on an Air Canada flight in 1983. The plane was the first to use metric measurements. However, the fuel gauge wasn't working, so the captain calculated the fuel needed – but in pounds, not kilograms. This resulted in the plane only carrying half the amount it needed. It ran out of fuel above a place called Gimli. Fortunately, the pilot was able to land there safely with minimal fuel, earning the plane the nickname the 'Gimli Glider'.

B

Crossing the new Millennium Bridge for the first time in June 2000, the people of London got a more thrilling journey to work than they expected. As they passed over the River Thames, the footbridge started to swing. It was a beautiful, elegant bridge, designed especially for the new century. Unfortunately, the designers hadn't calculated the effect of thousands of people walking on it at the same time. Although it wasn't particularly dangerous, the bridge was very wobbly, especially when it was windy. It had to be closed for nearly two

C

In 1912, explorer Robert Scott fatally miscalculated the amount of food his team would need while trying to become the first to reach the South Pole. His team had rations of 4,500 calories per day. If Scott had known more about physical health at that time, he would have taken nearly double that amount of food. So the team must have lost about 25 kg of weight before they got to the Pole. The journey was doubly tragic for Scott. He was beaten to the South Pole by Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen and, worse, he and his men died of starvation on the return journey, just eleven miles from their next food supply.



Reading Strategy

When a statement can match more than one text, you need to make sure you have matched all of the possible texts to each statement. First decide which text matches with a particular statement. Then check that none of the other texts match the statement.

3 Read the Reading Strategy. Then match the texts (A–C) with statements 1–4. One text matches with two statements.

- 1 This mistake could have had fatal results.
- 2 More than one person was responsible for this mistake.
- 3 This problem took a long time to fix.
- 4 The mistake was due to lack of knowledge rather than miscalculation.



**HAVE YOU GOT
ANY PLAN FOR
YOUR SUMMER
HOLIDAY?**



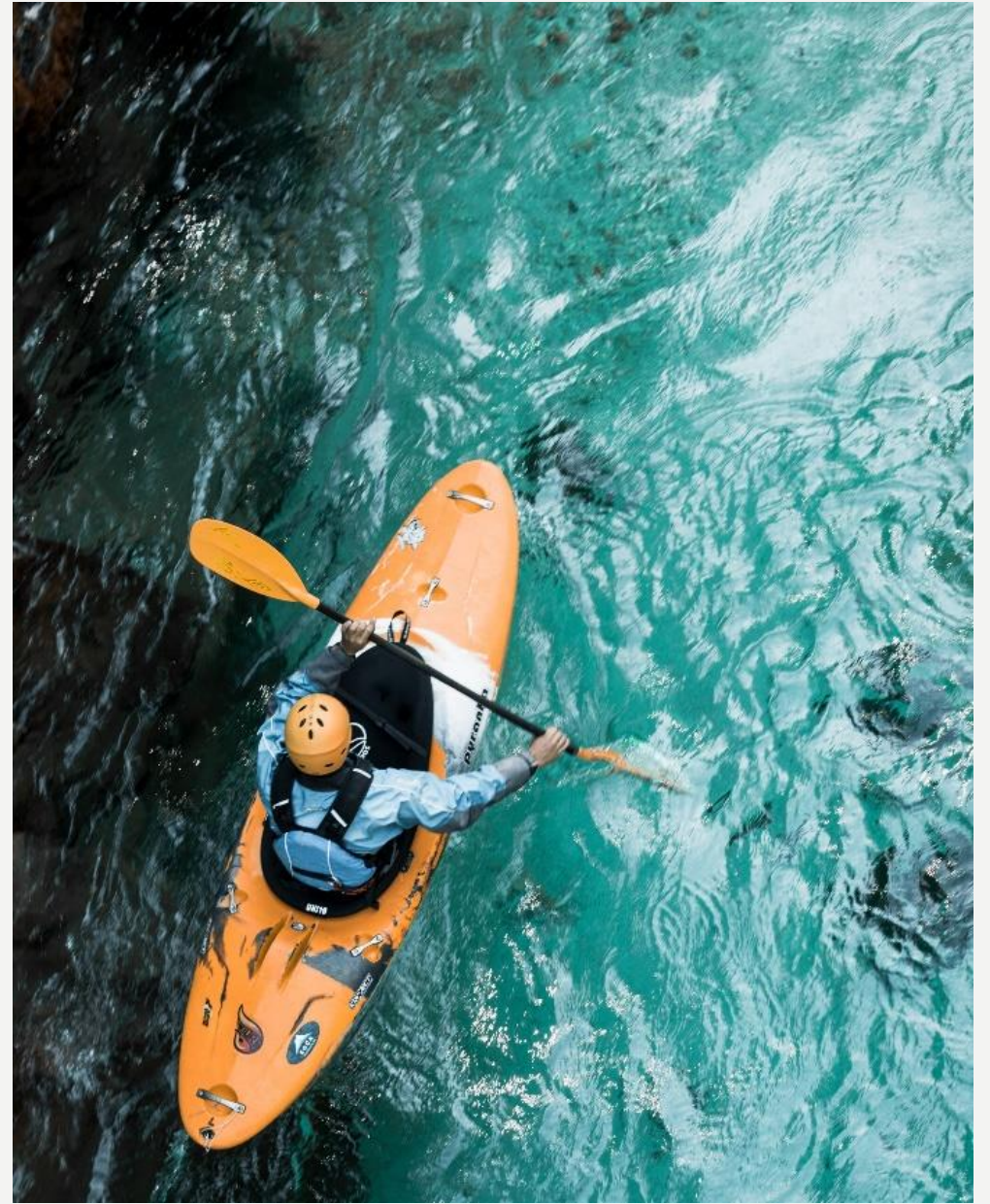














1 Describe the photo and answer the questions below.

1 **VOCABULARY** Which of these activities are likely to be on offer at or near this location? Where could you do the others?

Holiday activities fishing hiking horse riding
kayaking mountain biking scuba diving shopping
sightseeing skiing swimming

2 Would you prefer to be on holiday here or in an expensive hotel in a city? Give reasons.

Speaking Strategy 1

Use your preparation time to read the task carefully.

Make sure that you understand each of the points that you need to discuss. If you have time, think of two or three key pieces of information or vocabulary connected with each topic.

2 Read **Speaking Strategy 1**. Then read the task below. Under which of the four points in the task are you most likely to mention these?

1 a job

2 a month of the year

3 a popular tourist area

4 buses and trains

5 a week / a fortnight

6 borrowing / lending

7 youth hostels

8 beaches and the sea

You are planning to go on holiday with friends this summer. Discuss the holiday with one of the friends. Make a decision about each of these four points:

- when you want to go and for how long
- choice of destination
- transport
- paying for the holiday



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- 3  **3.28** Read **Speaking Strategy 2**. Then listen to a student doing the task above. Do you think he reacts appropriately during the conversation?

Speaking Strategy 2

In a guided conversation, it is important to interact appropriately with the other person. Do not just give your opinions and ignore what the other person is saying.



**'THAT'S A WRONG
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IS IT?**



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ANSWER, ISN'T IT?**

LEARN THIS! Reply questions and question tags



a In reply questions and question tags, we use auxiliary verbs (*do, have, would*, etc.) or the verb *be*.

b We can use reply questions to respond to a statement. They express interest or surprise.

'We're nearly at the hotel.' 'Are we?'

'You didn't tell me.' 'Didn't I?'

c We can use a question tag when we want somebody to confirm what we are saying.

You booked the hotel, didn't you?

We aren't lost, are we?

4 Read the **Learn this!** box. Write reply questions for statements 1, 3 and 5 and add question tags to statements 2, 4 and 6.

1 That's a long time!


2 The Baltic coast is lovely.

3 There's more to do there.

4 We need quite a lot of money.

5 My parents will give me some money too.

6 That's kind of them.

5  **3.28** Listen again and check your answers to exercise 4.



PLEASE NO SMOKING

B&B





CAMPSITE





CARAVAN SITE





HOSTEL





SELF-CATERING APARTMENT



6 **VOCABULARY** In pairs, check the meaning of the words below. Then discuss which types of accommodation you prefer.

Holiday accommodation B&B (bed and breakfast)

campsite caravan site holiday camp hostel

hotel self-catering apartment villa

I prefer caravan sites to campsites.

Do you? I prefer campsites.

- 7** Read the task below. Think about what ideas and vocabulary you will need for each point. Use notes 1–4 below to help you.

You are planning to go away for a few days with your penfriend while he or she is visiting you this summer. Discuss your ideas with your penfriend. Make a decision about each of these four points:

- choice of destination
- accommodation
- holiday activities
- what you need to take with you

- 1 Think about destinations you know well and can talk about.
- 2 Use the list of words in exercise 1.
- 3 Use the list of words in exercise 6.
- 4 Think about clothing, equipment (for activities) and entertainment (books, gadgets, etc.).

8 SPEAKING Work in pairs. Do the task in exercise 7. Decide who is playing which role. Make sure you both respond appropriately to what the other person says.

Talk about it!

Add a past participle clause to this sentence.

I bought a coat.

Add a present participle clause to this sentence.

The girl is staring at me.

Add a past participle clause to this sentence.

I visited a castle.

Add a present participle clause to this sentence.

Can you see the dog?

Add a past participle clause to this sentence.

The man was in the waiting room.

Add a present participle clause to this sentence.

The car nearly hit a pedestrian.

Add a past participle clause to this sentence.

The TV programme was awful.

Add a present participle clause to this sentence.

The firefighters saved the little girl.

Add a past participle clause to this sentence.

I loved the songs.

Add a present participle clause to this sentence.

The man is a doctor.

Complete this sentence.

If my family had moved to another country when I was a baby, ...

Complete this sentence.

If I had lived in the 19th century, ...

Complete this sentence.

If there had been an earthquake this morning, ...

Complete this sentence.

If I hadn't come to this English lesson, ...

Complete this sentence.

If I had stayed in bed this morning, ...

Complete this sentence.

..., I would have been very happy.

Complete this sentence.

..., my friends would have been very angry.

Complete this sentence.

..., I would have learned how to play the piano.

Complete this sentence.

..., I would have become famous.

Complete this sentence.

..., I wouldn't have come into school today.

**ASSIGNMENT:
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DEADLINE: TUESDAY