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New York – Test 1

1 Reading Don't try to see it all

Read Jake's blog entry and answer the questions.

How to make the most of your stay in New York

Henry Adams

When I got to New York the first time, about 10 years ago, I was a tourist, just like you. And to me, it was such an amazing place. So much to see, and so little time! I didn't know where to start, and I tried to see as many sights as possible. No wonder things got quite stressful and I didn't really enjoy my stay as much as I could have.

To give you an example: One of the places I really wanted to see was Ellis Island. But when I got there for the first time, I didn't have enough time to really see the Immigration Museum. Well, I did see it, but I couldn't enjoy it so much because I got there in the afternoon, and there was too little time. So I missed out on a lot of things there, for example I couldn't find out if anyone from my family ever emigrated from Europe to America.

Trust me: If you want to do Ellis Island, you should allow a whole day for the visit. Take the ferry in the morning and combine it with a ticket for Liberty Island, so you can spend some hours at Ellis Island and see the Statue of Liberty in the afternoon. If you want to go inside and up the Statue you need an extra ticket. Personally, however, I think it is enough to just see the statue from the ferry, so you don't really need to get onto Liberty Island. But there are many tourists who want to climb up "Lady Liberty". Hence my advice to you is: Before you travel to The Big Apple, read up on New York and get some information about where to go and what to see. Because you obviously can't see it all in one week. Find out what really interests you. Perhaps you should make a list, with your favourite sight at the top, and then make a plan of what to see on which day. And take it slowly.

Do only one of the big sites a day and allow enough time to walk around Manhattan or the other boroughs of New York to look around the shops or have a nice meal and just take in the amazing atmosphere of the city.

I. Read the text and put the following sentences in the correct order.

- ___ Before you travel to NY, make a list of the sights you want to see.
- ___ Don't just visit the famous sights but also take a look around.
- ___ Henry didn't have such a great time in NYC.
- ___ Henry isn't interested in going to the top of the Statue of Liberty.
- ___ Henry wanted to find out some things about his family.
- ___ Henry wanted to see as many sights as possible.
- ___ If you want to walk up the Statue of Liberty you need an extra ticket.
- ___ Take your time when you visit NY.



II. Read the text again. Give short answers to the following questions.

- 1 Why didn't Henry enjoy his first visit to New York? _____

- 2 Which sight did Henry want to see very much? _____
- 3 At what time of day did Henry get to Ellis Island? _____
- 4 What could Henry not find out on Ellis Island? _____

- 5 How much time should you take for Ellis Island? _____
- 6 What should you do before you visit New York? _____

- 7 Why should you take it slowly with the sights? _____

2 Words Fresh words

Complete the sentences with the correct expressions.



- 1 Her book is all about being a writer. – So it's _____? – Yes, it is.
- 2 Did you know that NYC is located _____ south than Rome?
- 3 Are you looking for anything special? – No, just a _____ shirt.
- 4 We have to _____ the number of guests. Otherwise the room will be absolutely crowded.
- 5 They're looking for a new technician. – Are you going to _____ the job?
- 6 Don't worry. I'll _____ the problem first thing in the morning.
- 7 Liam bought the wrong jeans. He plans to _____ them for the right size.
- 8 Parents should always teach their children responsibility and _____.

9 Shakespeare was not only a famous writer of plays, he was also a great _____.

10 When I first visited NYC as a young child, I was absolutely _____ all the skyscrapers.

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3 Words Same same

Write down a word that means (almost) the same as the underlined expression.

1 Okay, now all I need to complete my Christmas shopping is a present for my dad. – No problem.

There's a _____ shop just around the corner.

2 What sort of exercise do you enjoy? Basketball, football ...? – No, I don't like any _____ of team sport.

3 What are your thoughts on the Veggie Wednesdays? – Well, my _____ is that we should take part.

4 Can you tell me if there is an entrance fee? – Yes, there is. _____ to the exhibition is \$ 5.

5 I'm sorry, but this shirt really doesn't fit you very well. – You're absolutely right, but I still like it because it _____ the colour of my eyes.

6 They've become quite famous. So they've booked a bigger venue this year – That's great because that means that they will play in front of a _____ audience too.

7 When those two made fun of that kid on the bus, she acted very bravely. – Yes, she did. She showed a lot of _____.

8 Let's not go back to the beginning. This scene is also a good _____.

9 Look, the restaurant is absolutely packed. Let's go somewhere else. – You're right. It's really _____ in there.

10 Parents are a big influence on their children. – And the other way round. I know that my brother and I have had quite an _____ on our parents' lives.

11 The Loch Ness monster doesn't really _____. They just made up stories about it to get more people to visit Scotland.

12 Lisa has a great _____ for jokes. I always forget them.

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4 Grammar Gerund or infinitive

Complete the sentences. If possible, use the gerund form; if not, use the infinitive.

- 1 _____ (climb) on top of that tower was a lot of fun.
- 2 Remind me _____ (give) Les a call when we get home.
- 3 Mr Renner expects us _____ (finish) this task in ten minutes.
- 4 My dad still dreams of _____ (run) the NYC Marathon.
- 5 I'm not very keen on _____ (wake up) early each day to walk the dog.
- 6 I used _____ (play) basketball when I was younger.
- 7 I'm tired of _____ (wait) for the bus – I think I'll get my bike repaired.
- 8 Afraid of _____ (walk) past the neighbour's dogs, Ronnie decided _____
9 (not take) any risks.

5 Mediation Say it in English

Wie sagst du, dass ...

- 1 das Foto die Botschaft des Dichters betont? _____
- 2 das Leben in NYC eine große Wirkung auf den Künstler hatte? _____

- 3 du dich für einen Platz am Kunst-College bewerben wirst? _____

- 4 ihr dieses Jahr innerhalb der USA reisen werdet? _____

- 5 du klassisches italienisches Essen magst? _____

- 6 deine Freundin gern ihren Hund zur Feier mitbringen kann? _____
6 _____

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