

EXERCISES

1. Read the text and answer the question Where is an emperor penguin's home?

An emperor penguin is an amazing bird. It is a good swimmer, but it can't fly. It has got small wings. It is a big bird. Is it tall? Yes, it is. It is very tall and beautiful. An emperor penguin's home is in the Antarctic. It is very cold there. An emperor penguin is a good parent. The mother penguin has one egg every winter. The father penguin keeps the egg warm on his feet and the mother goes to the sea for food. Look at this mum, dad and the chicks. It is a happy family.

Write **T (True)** next to the true sentences and **F (False)** next to the false ones.

- 1 A penguin is a bird.
- 2 A penguin isn't a good swimmer.
- 3 It isn't cold in the Antarctic.
- 4 An emperor penguin is a good parent.
- 5 An emperor penguin isn't tall.

Complete the sentences with the words from the box.

chick egg good tall wings

- 1 A penguin is a _____ mum or dad.
- 2 A baby penguin is a _____.
- 3 An emperor penguin has got small _____
- 4 An emperor penguin is _____
5. The mother penguin has one _____ every year.

2. Complete the sentences with the words from the box.

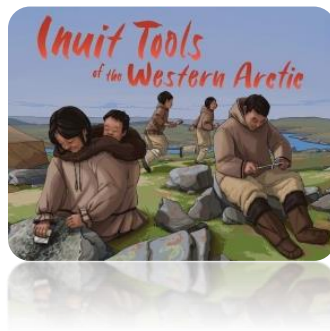
Short small old beautiful straight fair slim

- 1 I'm tall but my sister is _____

- 2 My dad is fat but my mum is _____.
- 3 His dog is big but his cat is _____.
- 4 I'm young but my grandad is _____.
- 5 My guinea pig is funny and my cat is _____.
- 6 My hair is curly but my brother's hair is _____.
- 7 My dad's hair is dark but my uncle's hair is _____.

Read and answer the questions

The people in the picture are Inuit.



They are from Canada. They live in the Arctic regions of Canada. It is very cold there. The Inuit are not very tall. Their hair is dark and their eyes are dark. They live in big families with mother and father, sisters, brothers and grandparents. They have got lots of friends too. The Inuit go hunting. Young Inuit go fishing at sea with their fathers. They go kayaking too. They play and learn together with their friends. They like sports and traditional games. They also watch TV or DVDs.

Read the text. Circle the correct words.

- 1 The Inuit are from **Canada / France**.
- 2 It isn't very **hot / cold** there.
- 3 Their hair isn't **blonde / dark**.
- 4 They **are / aren't** very tall.
- 5 They go **fishing / swimming** at sea.

6. Read the text and the sentences a-e. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

- a. Angélica is Megan's penfriend.
- b. Angélica and Lili are 13 years old.
- c. Angélica and Lili are best friends.
- d. Patricio is Angélica's brother.
- e. They are all at the same school.

Dear Megan,

I'm very pleased to 'meet' you. I'm happy you're my penfriend.

I'm Angélica Pérez and I'm 13 years old. At school I'm in Class 9F.

Here's a photo – it is me and my friend. Her name is Liliana – or Lili to her friends. She's 14 years old. We're in the school dance group. Lili is my best friend. She's very nice.

The other photo is my brother. His name is Jonás Pérez. He's with his classmate, Patricio. He's from Chile. They're in the school baseball team. They're both 15 years old.

We're all at the same school. It's The Columbus School.

My email address is angelip@me.com and my mobile number is 011 57 315 75364.

Please write soon.

Best wishes,

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7. Now have a look at this advert and the video at: <https://vimeo.com/26999822>

what impression do you think it is trying to give of London?

a. Describe the image, with your own words



b. Now read this text to check your answers.

London is a city that is continually changing; nowhere is this more apparent than in East London. This part of the city was once famous for the bleak industrial slums of Dickens' novels, the world's largest port and heavy industry. All this is gone now and East London has become famous for its creative industries and the latest fashions. Places like Hoxton, Shoreditch and Bethnal Green have become home to a large number of art, fashion, design and publishing companies. The area also has the cutting edge of London nightlife with many clubs, bars, galleries and gigs every night of the week.

You may have heard of 'Silicon Valley' in California but since Wired magazine identified 85 tech start-up companies around Old Street tube station this part of London is now known as 'Silicon Roundabout'. These start-up companies include Last.fm, Moshi Monsters, School of Everything and Tweetdeck. Last.fm is a site that allows people to share the music they like listening to that has become so successful that it was bought up by CBS for £140m. Moshi Monsters has become an online favourite of young children everywhere. Tweetdeck is one of the most popular ways of using Twitter, while the School of Everything helps students and teachers find each other.

The Prime Minister David Cameron recently announced the creation of a 'Tech Hub' in the area where technology businesses, universities and financial institutions can combine to create successful new products. London Tech City will stretch 4 miles east of Hoxton to Stratford, which is where the 2012 Olympic Games will be held. The Government is promising £200m of financial support along with a new entrepreneur visa to support talented individuals who want to work in the technology sector.

The scheme has so far been supported by large international companies, such as Google, Facebook, Intel, Vodafone and Cisco Systems, while finance will be provided by Barclays and Imperial College London, University College London and Loughborough University are also involved in the project. The Government hopes that this combination of finance, technology and academia will lead to a thriving technology sector in London.

Match these words to their definitions

Apparent (adj)	A new business
Cutting-edge (adj)	Successful
Start-up (noun)	A business owner who takes risks to make profit
Thriving (adj)	Clear, obvious, easy to see
Academia (noun)	Newest & best
Entrepreneur (noun)	Researchers and universities

Answer these questions

- 1) Is Tech City a project about heavy industry, fashion, or IT.
- 2) True or False: East London has always been a centre for creative industries.
- 3) True or False: Silicon Valley is in London.
- 4) True or False: The Government is helping companies employ people from other countries.
- 5) True or False: Google is providing finance.

8. Read the texts and summarize them with your own words

School of Everything is based in East London and was founded in 2006. The purpose of School of Everything is to "connect people who can teach with people who want to learn" [1]. Users of the website can search for teachers by subject and area and likewise teachers can search for students in a particular area who want to study a certain subject. Via the website, learners are able to search for teachers in their area, and similarly teachers can search for learners. Registration is free, the site caters for teachers who charge for their lessons as well as those who offer lessons for free, or as part of a skill swap.

Product Cards Last.fm is a music website, founded in East London in 2002. It has over 30 million active users. The company was bought by CBS interactive in 2007 for £140m.

The site builds a detailed profile of users' musical taste by recording details of the songs the user listens to online, on their computer and from their MP3 players. This information is displayed on the user's profile page and is also used to recommend new songs and artists based on what they listen to. Users can also find out about local gigs that they might be interested in.

The website also works as a social network allowing users to find people who have similar tastes in music and has forums and chatrooms for people to talk about their favourite artists.

