

UNIT 7

BRIDGE CLIMB

1 Starter

Tell the class one city you have been to and one city you have never been to but you would like to go to:
I've been to (Auckland) but I've never been to (San Francisco). I'd really like to go there.



Auckland



San Francisco

2 22 Safety first

One of Sydney's tourist attractions is the beautiful Sydney Harbour Bridge. And, if you're fit enough, you can climb the bridge! That's what Katy and Sam have decided to do.

Katy: I'm a bit nervous about this. How do you feel, Sam? Have you ever done anything like this before?
Sam: Well, I've climbed to the top of the Statue of Liberty, if you count that. But this will be much more exciting!
Katy: Yes. Well, first we have to fill in this health questionnaire.
Sam: I'll do yours at the same time as mine, okay? You can get the camera ready – but don't drop it! We don't want any more accidents with my brother's camera.
Katy: Okay, read out the questions.
Sam: Right, number one. Are you taller than one metre fifty?
Katy: Yes, of course I am. Now just ask me the questions you don't know the answers to.
Sam: Have you ever suffered from serious headaches?
Katy: No. Well, I occasionally get headaches when you talk about sports cars!
Sam: ... or epilepsy?
Katy: No.
Sam: Have you ever suffered from heart problems?
Katy: No.
Sam: Have you ever had an AIDS test?

Katy: Why do they want to know that?
Sam: Probably just in case you have an accident.
Katy: Well, yes, I have actually. I had an AIDS test two years ago.
Sam: And ...?
Katy: Sam!
Sam: All right! Next question: Are you pregnant?
Katy: Sam!!!
Sam: Okay, okay, just checking!
Katy: Here, give me that form. I think I'll fill it in myself. But I have to go to the loo first – I've got a funny feeling in my stomach.



3 Questions and answers

Give short answers to these questions.

- Does Katy feel nervous?
- Has Sam ever been to America?
- Do they have to fill in a questionnaire?
- Is the camera theirs?
- Has Katy ever suffered from heart problems?
- Did she have an AIDS test last year?



4 23 Sydney Harbour Bridge

Before the climb, the guide gave the group some information about the Bridge Climb. Write down the numbers you hear.

- | | |
|----------------|---------------|
| 1°C | 6 cm |
| 2 m high | 7 hrs |
| 3 yrs | 8 a.m. |
| 4 19..... | 9 mins |
| 5 m long | 10 Au\$ |

Listen again and then tell the class a piece of information about one of the statistics you have written down.

5 Have you ever ... ?

Work with a partner. Take it in turns to ask and answer these questions. Fill in the table with a tick or a cross. Only answer with *Yes, I have* (✓) or *No, I haven't* (✗).

Have you ever ... ?

- | | |
|--|--------------------------|
| 1 ... ridden a motorbike? | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 ... missed your flight? | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 ... talked to a famous person? | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4 ... visited an English-speaking country? | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5 ... smuggled? | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6 ... stolen from a shop? | <input type="checkbox"/> |

6 Tell us about it!

Look at exercise 5 again. Write down two things about your partner (one ✗ and one ✓) on a piece of paper, e.g. *Uwe has never smuggled but he has stolen from a shop*, and give it to your teacher.

Your teacher will now read out the sentence – but not the name – from one piece of paper. Guess who the person is and find out more information by asking questions beginning with:
Where did ...? How did ...? What did ...? Did you ...? When did ...? Was ...? Were ...?

e.g. A: *What did you steal?*

Uwe: *I stole an ice-cream.*

Remember: Use the *present perfect* to tell people about an experience you had at some time in your life; use the *past simple* to give details about this experience.

7 How often?

Put these words in order of frequency by matching them with the frequency symbols.

- | | |
|-----------|----------|
| often | ✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓ |
| never | ✓✓✓✓✓✓ |
| usually | ✓✓✓✓✓ |
| rarely | ✓✓✓ |
| sometimes | ✓ |
| always | ✗ |



8 Sam and Katy's holiday routine

Look at the table below and make sentences about Sam and Katy's daily routine like this:
Sam always gets up at 6.30 a.m.

Remember: The "how often" adverbs go before the main verb: *I occasionally send postcards.*

	Sam	Katy
get up at 6.30 a.m.	✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓	✗
drink a cup of coffee	✓✓✓	✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓
eat an English breakfast	✓✓✓✓✓	✓
read the morning newspaper	✗	✓✓✓
go for a swim in the hotel pool	✓✓✓✓	✓✓✓✓



9 How often do you do that?

Ask people in the class how often they do some of these things – and why, e.g. *I (never) phone home when I go on holiday because (my family is with me).*

How often do you ...

- stay on a camp site
- travel by plane
- hire a car
- go abroad
- go sightseeing
- sunbathe
- eat the local food
- eat in restaurants
- pack too many clothes
- take photographs
- use traveller's cheques
- use a credit card
- ... when you go on holiday?

➔ Now look at the Language Focus on page 47 of Pocket Tourist.

SELFSTUDY

Unit 7 haben Sie gelernt wie man: • Statistiken versteht • mit dem *present perfect* ausdrückt, ob man etwas schon einmal gemacht hat • mit dem *past tense* Details von Ereignissen in der Vergangenheit angibt und • Angaben zur Häufigkeit macht. Üben Sie nun, was Sie gelernt haben.

1 Is that a fact?

Setzen Sie folgende Zahlen in den Text ein.
120° / 30 / 40% / 250 / 19,000,000 / 13,000

Australia is (1) miles (20,900 km) away from Britain.
It is more than (2) times bigger than the United Kingdom but the population of Australia is much smaller – (3), compared with Britain's fifty-nine million.
(4) of Australians have one parent born abroad and only 2 percent of Australians have Aborigine blood. Of course it's a very hot country – the highest temperature recorded was forty-nine point two degrees Celsius, that's (5) Fahrenheit, in Western Australia. But some towns in North Queensland have (6) inches (635 cm) of rain a year – that's as high as a double-decker bus!

Schreiben Sie nun die Zahlen in Worten.

LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

Katy is nervous before the climb and has to go to the toilet. She asks the guide: "Excuse me, where's the loo, please?". An American would ask: "Where's the bathroom, please?".
In public buildings like restaurants and theatres you usually see the sign *Ladies* and *Gents* (BE) or *Restroom* (AE) on the lavatory doors. And on the street you may see the sign *Public Convenience*.



3 What have they done?

Setzen Sie die Verben in das *present perfect* (*has/have done*).

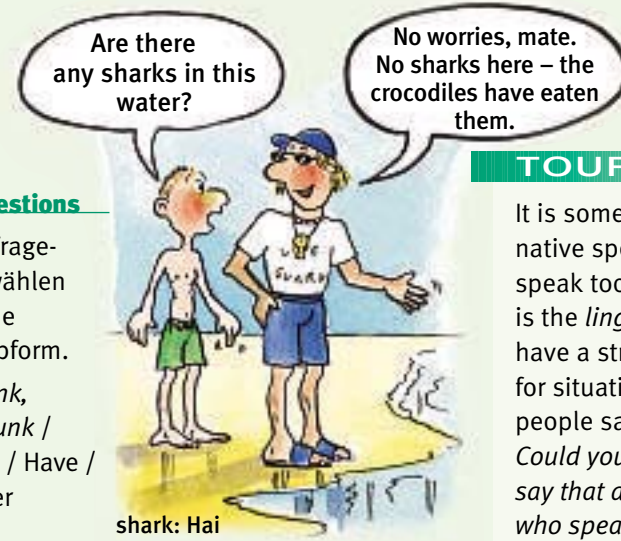
- Sam (climb) the Statue of Liberty.
- Katy (do) never anything like that.
- She (take) lots of photos.
- (eat) you ever Japanese food?
- I (not meet) Katy's mother.



2 24 Listen and repeat

Sprechen Sie die Sätze nach.

- How do you feel?
- Have you ever done anything like this before?
- I've never been to Australia.
- I'd really like to go there.
- I've been to London.
- I was there in 1999.
- How often do you have a holiday abroad?
- We sometimes have an English breakfast.
- The temperature was thirty-two degrees.
- It's about two hundred and fifty kilometres away.



4 Make questions

Bilden Sie Frage-sätze und wählen Sie dabei die richtige Verbform.

- they / *drink, drank, drunk* / Australian / Have / ever / beer
..... ?
- Did / waiter / tip / *give, gave, given* / you / a / the / dinner / after
..... ?
- did / plane / What / *take, took, taken* / time / the / off
..... ?
- ever / Has / *eat, ate, eaten* / he / ostrich
..... ?
- you / American / an / *speak, spoke, spoken* / Have / ever / to
..... ?
- swim, swam, swum* / sea / in / Did / the / you / year / last
..... ?

5 Choose the right tense

Welche Zeitform ist richtig: *present perfect* (*have/has done*) oder *simple past* (*did*)?

- (see) you ever a crocodile?
- No, I (see) never a crocodile but I (see) an alligator. I (see) one when I (go) to South Africa in 1999.
- I (fly) never in a helicopter. (do) you ever that?
- Not me! My brother (fly) in a helicopter! And he (fly) in a sports plane, too. He (fly) over the Grand Canyon in America last year.

TOURIST TIP

It is sometimes difficult to understand English native speakers if they have a dialect or if they speak too fast. And in countries where English is the *lingua franca*, people you speak to may have a strong accent. So learn a few phrases for situations when you don't understand what people say to you: *Sorry, I don't understand.* / *Could you speak slowly, please?* / *Could you say that again, please?* / *Is there anybody here who speaks German?* And take Pocket Tourist with you on holiday to give you more help.

6 25 Speaking English

Padma und Katy sprechen über ihre Familien. Hören Sie den Dialog an und ergänzen Sie die fehlenden Informationen:

- Katy's mother English to her.
- Katy's father English at home.
- Katy's father English at work.
- Padma and her family Hindi at home.
- Padma and her family English when they have guests.

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