# English for Petroleum Students' Workbook





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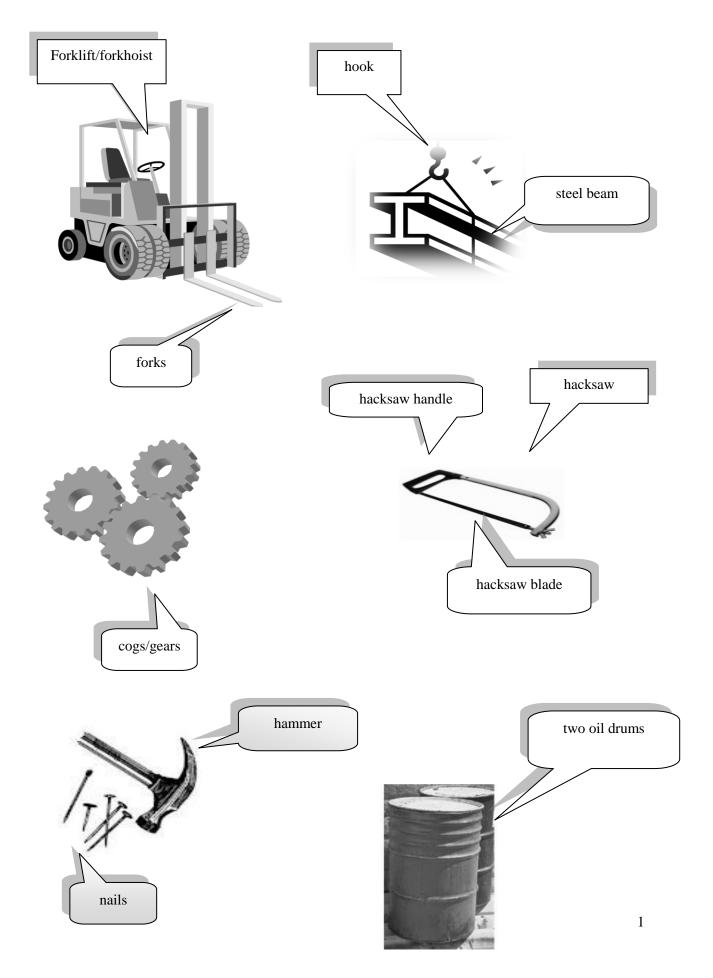
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# **1. MEASUREMENT**



# 1.1 Units of measurement

#### Length

millimetre (mm)	1,000 millimetres	=	1 metre
centimetre (cm)	100 centimetres	=	1 metre
metre (m)	1,000 metres	=	1 kilometre
kilometre (km)			

#### <u>Weight</u>

milligram (mg)	1,000 milligrams	=	1 gram
gram (g)	1,000 grams	=	1 kilogram
kilogram (kg)	1,000 kilograms	=	1 tonne
tonne			

#### **Volume**

millilitre (ml) 1,000 millilitres = 1 litre litre (l)

#### Area (2 dimensions)

Area = length x breadth (or width).

 $\circ$  3m\*4m = 12m<sup>2</sup> : 3 metres long by 4 metres wide is an area of 12 square metres.

#### **Volume** (3 dimensions)

Volume = length x breadth (or width) x height or depth

• 2 metres by 3 metres by 4 metres is a volume of 24 cubic metres.

#### **Prefixes**

'kilo' means 1000'centi' means 100'deci' means 1/10'milli' means 1/1000

#### **Fractions**

#### $\frac{1}{2} = half$

- half an hour (30 minutes)
- $\circ$  2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> = two <u>and</u> a half

#### $\frac{1}{4} = a$ quarter

- a quarter of an hour (15 minutes)
- $\circ$  3 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> = three and a quarter

#### **Decimals**

- $\circ$  0.25 = zero point two five
- $\circ$  2.5 = two point five

#### Writing numbers

• In English we use a 'comma' to separate each thousand: e.g. 2,000; 15,000; 25,000.

#### **Percentages**

 $\circ$  50% = fifty percent ('percent' means per hundred)

### 1.2 **Dimensions**

A dimension is a measurement of something's length, height, width, depth or thickness.

- Q: What are the dimensions of this room?
- A: This room is 12 metres long by 6 metres wide by 3 metres high.

ADJECTIVE	NOUN	TETUN
deep	depth	klean
long	length	naruk
wide	width	luan
broad	breadth	luan
high	height	aas
tall	height	ain aas
heavy	weight	todan
far	distance	dook; distansia
VERB	NOUN	TETUN
weigh	weight	tetu; todan
measure	measurement	sukat; sasukat

We use 'tall' but not 'high' with people. We can also use 'tall' with trees and buildings.

- $\circ$  He is a <u>tall</u> man.
- Our mango tree is very tall.

We use 'high' with buildings, trees, mountains and other things but <u>not</u> people.

'High' is used to describe the distance of something from the ground or from the top to the bottom.

- How <u>high</u> is that building?
- A very <u>tall/high</u> building is called a 'skyscraper'.
- There are a lot of <u>high</u> mountains in Europe.
- The wall around our garden is 2 metres <u>high</u>.
- The aeroplane flew very <u>high</u> up in the sky.

#### 1.3 Forming measurement questions

If we use a <u>noun</u> for asking a question about a measurement we use 'what'.

Question:What is the + dimension + of + something?Answer:The + dimension + of the + something + is + number + measurement

Q: What is the depth of the oil well?

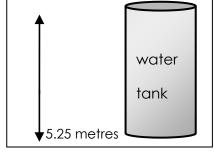
A: The <u>depth</u> of the oil well is 300 metres.

Q: What is the height of the derrick?

A: The <u>height</u> of the derrick is 60 metres.

If we use an <u>adjective</u> for asking about a measurement we use 'how'.

Question: Answer:	How + adjective + is + subject + is + number + methods where the subject + is + number + nu		
Q: <u>How long</u> A: This room	is this room? is five metres <u>long</u> .	- length	
	was the meeting? ng was two hours <u>long</u> .	- length of time	
· ·	is the oil well? s 300 metres <u>deep</u> .	- depth	
Q: <u>How tall</u> at A: I am 180 c	•	- height	
	is this room? is 3 metres <u>high</u> .	- height	
Q: <u>How far</u> is A: The airport	the airport? t is 15 kilometres <u>away</u> .	- distance	
<u>Exercise</u>			



Write two questions and two answers about the water tank. Use 'depth' and 'deep'.

1.	Q:
	A:
	A
2.	Q:
	A:



### <u>Exercise</u>

Complete the questions using 'how'.

1 (length of time) will you be away?
2 (distance) is Baucau from Dili?
3 (depth) is the water well in your village?
4 (height) is the derrick on the oil rig?
5. I drive to work every morning (length of time) does it take
you?
6 (height) are you?
7 (width) is the river.
8 (length of time) have you worked here?
9. The river where we go swimming is very (depth).
10.How (depth) is it?
11 (distance) is the bank from the hotel?
12 (height) is that mango tree in your garden?
13 (weight) is a sack of rice?

# 1.4 Questions and answers about measurements

For plural subjects, use:

Question:How many ... are there ...?Answer:There are ....

For example:

- Q: How many grams <u>are there</u> in a kilogram?
- A: <u>There are</u> one thousand grams in a kilogram.

#### **Exercise**

Insert 'is there' or 'are there' in the question, and write the correct answer, using a full sentence.

# 1.5 Approximations

These words are approximations.

ENGLISH	TETUN	ENGLISH	TETUN
exactly	loloos	nearly	besik
precisely	loloos	almost	besik
about	Maizoumenus	just under	besik
approximately	Maizoumenus	just over	liu uitoan

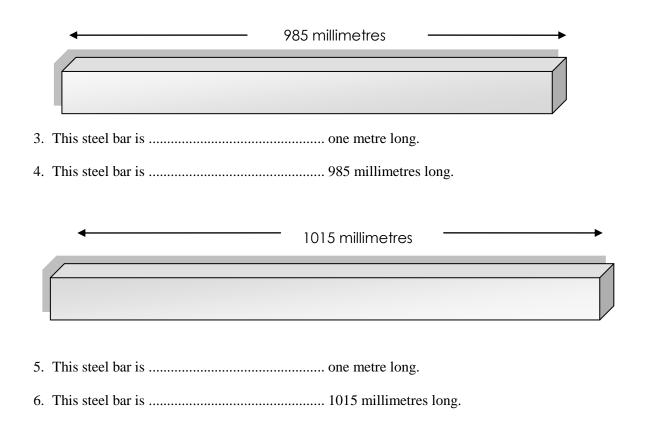
#### **Exercise**

Complete these sentences using a word from the above list.





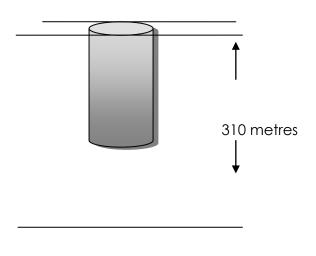
- 1. The time is ..... half past eight.
- 2. It is ..... twelve o'clock.

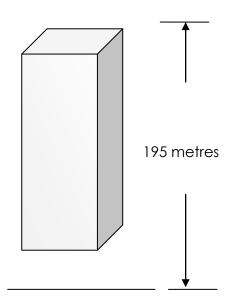


# 1.6 Height and depth

#### **Exercise**

# <u>Oil well</u>





<u>Building</u>

Answer these questions using the vocabulary in the box in section 1.5.

1.	The well is		(deep/depth).
2.	The well is		(deep/depth).
3.	The	(deep/depth) of the well is	
4.	The building is	200 metres	(high/height)
5.	The	. (high/height) of the building is	

#### **Exercise**

Insert the following dimensions onto the drawing.

This shipping container is 15 metres long by 3 metres high by 4 metres wide.



# 1.7 Exercise: Choosing verb tense

Complete these sentences using the correct form of the verb, using present simple, present continuous or simple past.

- 1. Last year the Main Well ..... (produce) 2,000 barrels of oil..
- 2. Currently oil pollution ...... (cause) a lot of damage to the environment along the American coast.
- 3. Nowadays oil pollution from ships ...... (damage) the coastal environment of many countries.
- 4. In 2011 oil pollution ...... (have) a serious effect on the marine environment around the world.

# 2. MAKING COMPARISONS

Study section 9.10 about making comparisons.

#### Exercise

Complete the table by adding the Tetun translation, and the comparative and superlative adjectives.

ADJECTIVE	TETUN	COMPARATIVE	SUPERLATIVE
important			
bad			
serious			
fast			
sharp			
hot			
beautiful			
handsome			
easy			
difficult			
young			
pretty			
strong			
old			
happy			
lucky			
deep			
hot			
heavy			
serious			

#### Exercise

Use the adjectives in the box and complete the story. Some adjectives can be used more than once.

late	early	good	cheap	slow
interesting	hard	quick	busy	J

# Adjectives require 'to be'

Every sentence must have a verb. If you use an adjective to describe the subject, you must also use a verb. Usually this verb is 'to be'.

- My workmates <u>are friendly</u>. (NOT: My workmates friendly.)
- My boss <u>was absent</u> yesterday.
- These work boots were expensive.
- <u>Is your job interesting</u>?
- <u>Was</u> the examination <u>difficult</u>?

# 2.1 Comparing quantity: 'much more', 'much less'

When we compare two or more quantities and we want to show that the difference is big, we can use:

"much more"	than	= a lot more	than
"much less"	than	= a lot less	than

Marcos has \$20 and Maria has \$6 dollars.

- Marcos has <u>the most</u> money.
- Maria has <u>the least</u> money.

Marcos has \$10 and Maria has \$2.

- Marcos has <u>a lot more/much more</u> money <u>than</u> Maria.
- Maria has a lot less/much less money than Marcos.

Marcos has \$10 and Maria has \$8.

- Marcos has <u>more</u> money <u>than</u> Maria.
- Maria has <u>less money</u> than Marcos.

#### **Exercise**

Maria has \$110 in the bank, Marcos has \$20 in the bank and Mario has \$150 in the bank.

Write five sentences comparing how much each person has in the bank.

1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	

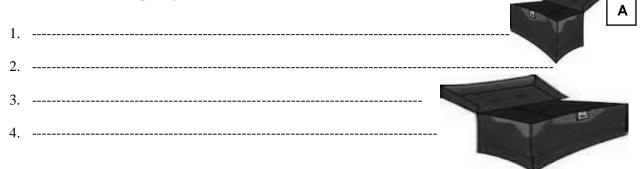
# 2.2 Comparing size

When we compare things like a house, shoes, clothes, vegetables, a city, a country, an apartment, a dog, a car and people we can use the adjectives **big** and **small**.

ADJECTIVE	COMPARATIVE (add – er)	SUPERLATIVE (ADD – EST)
big		
small		
long		

#### Exercise

Write four sentences comparing toolboxes A and B.



# 2.3 Comparing length

#### Two steel pipes

When we compare the length of something we use the adjectives short and long.

ADJECTIVE	COMPARATIVE (ADD – 'ER')	SUPERLATIVE (ADD - 'EST')
short		
long		

#### **Exercise**

Steel pipe A	()
Steel pipe B	
two comparative sentences about steel nines A and B	

Write two comparative sentences about steel pipes A and B.

1.	

2. -----

Write two superlative sentences about steel pipes A and B.

1. ------

2. ------

# 2.4 Comparing quantities

#### **Barrels of oil**

'Oil' is an uncountable noun. (Refer also to section **Error! Reference source not found.** on uncountable nouns.)

OIL DRUM 'A'

OIL DRUM 'B'



23 litres

#### **Exercise**

Complete these 10 sentences using comparisons.

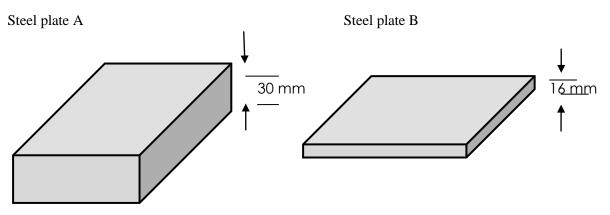
Answer questions 11 and 12 in full sentences. Refer to section 2.1.

- 1. There is ..... oil in drum 'A' ..... in drum 'B'.
- 2. Drum 'A' has the ..... oil in it.
- 3. Drum 'B' has ..... oil ..... drum 'A'.
- 4. Drum 'A' has ..... oil ..... drum 'B'.
- 5. Drum 'B' has the ..... oil in it.
- 6. Drum 'A' has 15 litres ..... oil than drum 'B'
- 7. There is ..... oil in drum 'B' ..... in drum 'A'.
- 8. There is much ..... oil in drum 'B' ..... in drum 'A'.
- 9. There is much ..... oil in drum 'A' ..... in drum 'B'.
- 10.Drum 'B' has 15 litres ..... oil ..... drum 'A'.
- 11. Which drum has the most oil in it?
- 12. Which drum has the least oil in it?

# 2.5 Comparing thickness

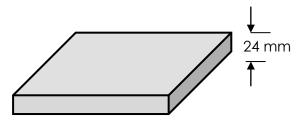
ADJECTIVE	TETUN	COMPARATIVE (ADD – ER)	SUPERLATIVE (ADD – EST)
thick			
thin			

### <u>Exercise</u>



- 1. Steel plate 'A' is thicker than steel plate 'B'.
- 2. Steel plate 'A' is 14 mm thicker than steel plate 'B'.
- 3. Steel plate 'A' is the thickest.

Steel plate 'C'



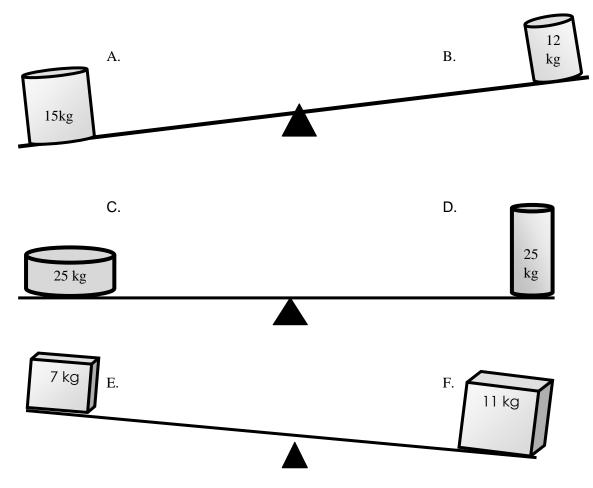
Write 6 comparative or superlative sentences about steel plates 'A', 'B' and 'C'.

1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	

# 2.6 Comparing weight

ADJECTIVE	COMPARATIVE	SUPERLATIVE
heavy		
light		

#### Exercise



Use the verb given or a comparative adjective from the table above.

- 1. Drum A ..... (weigh) 15 kg.
- 2. Drum A ..... (weigh) more/less than drum B.
- 3. Drum A is ..... than drum B.
- 4. Drum C ..... (weigh) the same as drum D.

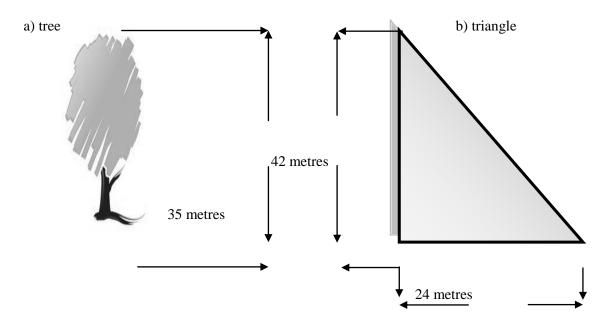
Write 2 comparative and 2 superlative sentences about boxes E and F

1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	

#### 2.7 Comparing height

ADJECTIVE	COMPARATIVE	SUPERLATIVE
tall		
short		

#### **Exercise**

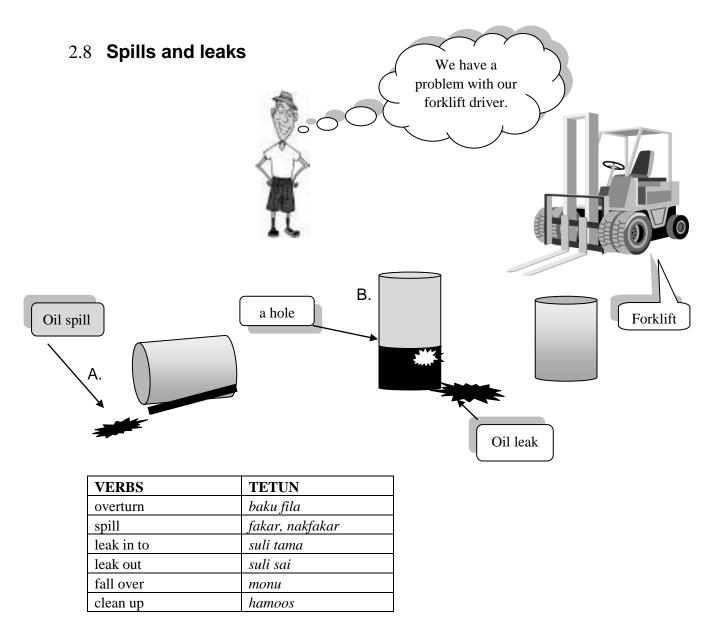


Fill in the blanks.

- 1. The tree is ..... metres high.
- 2. The triangle is ..... metres wide and ..... metres high.
- 3. The height of the triangle is ..... metres and its width is ..... metres.
- 4. The height of the tree is ..... metres.
- 5. The triangle is ..... than the tree.

Write two comparative and two superlative sentences about Mario and Marcos. Use the information below.

Mario : 25 years old; 165 cms tall Marcos : 37 years old; 170 cms tall



#### <u>Exercise</u>

Delete the incorrect form of the verbs in this paragraph.

#### Forklift accident in the oil store

This morning there <u>was/were</u> an accident in the oil store. The forklift <u>knocks over /knocked over</u> an oil drum (A) and a lot of oil <u>spills/ spilled</u> out. Then the fork lift <u>hit/hits</u> a second oil drum (B) and made a hole in the side of it. Oil <u>leaks/leaked</u> out of that drum and <u>make/made</u> a big mess on the floor. We <u>cleans/cleaned</u> up the mess immediately as oil on the floor is very dangerous because it is slippery.

Answer these two questions using the information given.

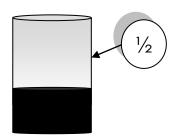
- 1. Why did oil spill out of drum A? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Why did oil leak out of drum B? \_\_\_\_\_

# 2.9 'Nearly', 'almost', 'a half' and 'a quarter'

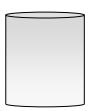
How much oil is there in the drum?



1. The oil drum is <u>nearly/almost</u> empty.

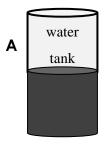


The oil drum is <u>half</u> full.
The oil drum is <u>half</u> empty.



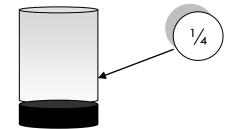
5. The oil drum is <u>completely/totally</u> empty.

#### Water tanks



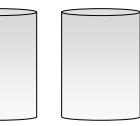


2. The oil drum is <u>nearly/almost</u> full.

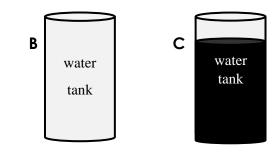


The oil drum is <u>a quarter</u> full.

4.



6. Both oil drums are completely empty.



#### <u>Exercise</u>

Write one question and one answer for each of the water tanks, asking how much water is in each.

1.	Q
	A
2.	Q
	A
3.	Q
	A

# Exercise: Changing positive to negative

Complete the table by inserting the negative form. Study the structure of negative sentences at the back of the workbook, in section 9.8.

POSITIVE	NEGATIVE
1. I worked late last night.	
2. I am working night shift next week.	
3. My son got up early yesterday.	
4. She is talking to the boss.	
5. We are going to Baucau next week.	
6. My brother lives in Australia.	
7. My supervisor is working today.	
8. The examination was difficult.	
9. It rained yesterday.	
10. They watch television every night.	

# **3. TRADE TOOLS**

# 3.1 Trade tools I

### **Exercise**

Write the name of the tool alongside the tool.

spirit level spanner	tape measure hacksaw	nut hammer and nails	bolt screwdriver	ladder
	2 Hill	3		4
5 A	6		7	
Active A		THE		0
8		9	10	

# 3.2 'Use for' and 'be used for'

Question:	What do we <u>use</u> a pen <u>for</u> ?	= What <u>is</u> a pen <u>used for</u> ?
Answer:	We <u>use</u> a pen <u>for</u> writing.	= A pen <u>is used for</u> writing.

#### **Exercise**

Choose the correct word from the above list.

1.	A is used for loosening and tightening
	onto
2.	If I want to tighten a screw I would use a
3.	To find the length and breadth of a room I would use a
4.	To cut a metal or plastic pipe I would use a
5.	To check if a post is vertical I would use a
6.	A is used for working in high places.

# 3.3 Verbs of the trade

VERB	TETUN
Nail	baku pregu
Hammer	baku ho martelu
Screw	aperta parafuzu
Fasten	hametin
Tighten	aperta
Loosen	halo folga, hamamar
Unscrew	kore parafuzu
Unfasten	kore
Saw	kadoo

#### **Exercise**

Delete the incorrect word or words.

- 1. This nut is tight/loose and could fall out. Could you please loosen/tighten it.
- 2. If you want to take the top off the water bottle you <u>screw/unscrew</u> the cap.
- 3. I want to remove this bolt but I am not strong enough can you please <u>tighten/loosen</u> it for me.
- 4. Please give me a screwdriver/hammer/spanner I want to hammer these nails in.
- 5. I want to cut this plastic pipe in half. Can you please give me a tape measure/hacksaw/hammer.
- 6. When you are flying you must <u>fasten/unfasten</u> your seat belt.
- 7. You need a <u>screwdriver/spanner</u> to take the nut off the bolt.

# 3.4 Text: An international oil company

#### **Royal Dutch Shell**

Royal Dutch Shell is known worldwide as Shell. It is an Anglo-Dutch petroleum company. It is one of the six largest oil exploration, natural gas, and petroleum companies in the world and was listed as the world's eighth largest company in 2010. Shell was created in 1907 when Holland's Royal Dutch Petroleum Company and Britain's Shell Company merged.

Royal Dutch Shell is a global group of energy and petrochemicals companies. It has around 101,000 employees in more than 90 countries. Shell produces 2% of the world's oil and 3% of gas. It has 44,000 service stations worldwide.

#### **Exercise**

Complete the following questions. Write complete sentences where required.

- 1. Find a word from the text which means the same as:
- joined together
- $\circ$  all over the world
- workers
- a place where people can buy fuel
- a business
- approximately

2.	How did Royal Dutch Shell get its name?
	Write down <u>one</u> superlative adjective from the text.
4.	Does Shell produce more oil than gas?
5.	What do you think a 'service station' is?
6.	Anglo-Dutch refers to two countries, what are they?

# 3.5 Trade tools II

Write the name of the tool alongside the tool.

knife 'G' clamp adjustable spanner	hammer drill toolbox shovel/spade		workbench sledge hammer cordless electric	e screwd	cordless electric drill a pair of pliers lriver	
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4 A ann		5				
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#### **Exercise**

Fill in the missing word.

1.	We have finished the job. Please put all the tools into the
2.	If you want to break concrete you should use a
3.	To cut cardboard or a box you could use a
4.	To remove a nail from a piece of wood you could use a

#### **Exercise**

Which of the above tools are 'power tools'? (i.e. use electricity) .....

.....

# 3.6 'Some' and 'any'

Read section 9.13 on 'some' and 'any'. Then choose the correct word in the sentences below.

- 1. I didn't have ..... screws so I had to borrow ..... from my workmate.
- 2. There isn't ..... water in the well, it is dry.
- 3. This evening I am going out with ..... friends of mine.
- 4. Can I please borrow ..... books about Timor?
- 5. Do you have ..... questions?
- 6. Would you like ..... coffee, sir?
- 7. My friend gave me ..... good advice yesterday.
- 8. The guest didn't have ..... cash so he paid by credit card.
- 9. I was too tired to do ..... work.
- 10.If you don't have ..... work to do please help in the kitchen.

# 3.7 Crossword: past tense

# Exercise

Insert the correct past tense of the verbs given.

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CLUES ACROSS	CLUES DOWN
1 to see	1 to sell
3 to call	2 to be
5 to shut	3 to catch
6 to tell	4 to sleep
9 to think	6 to teach
10 to fall	7 to know
11 to get	8 to buy
14 to bring	12 to write
17 to take	13 to dig
18 to dream	15 to run
	16 to have

# 3.8 Exercise: Tense

Study the simple present and simple past tenses in sections 9.1 and 9.3.

Complete the table by inserting either the simple past or the simple present tense. Add any time phrases that make sense.

SIMPLE PRESENT	SIMPLE PAST
My boss is absent today.	
	I got up at 6 o'clock this morning.
I always make my own breakfast.	
We have a meeting every Monday.	
	I started work this morning at 8 o'clock.
	Did you work last Saturday?
The restaurant closes at 11.00pm	
My sister goes to bed early.	
	I had lunch with my brother yesterday.
My friends go fishing every Saturday.	

#### Exercise

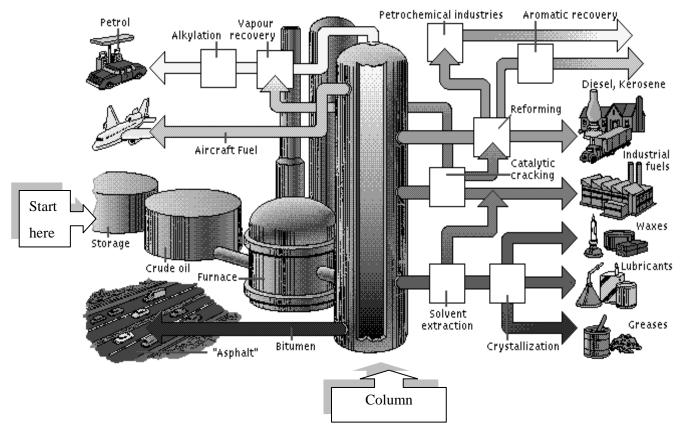
Complete these sentences using the correct form of the verb. Use simple present or present continuous. See sections 9.1 and 9.2 for explanations of these tenses.

- 1. At the moment the demand for oil ...... (increase) but the supply of oil ...... (decrease)
- 2. Royal Dutch Shell ...... (currently, drill) for oil in the Java Sea. The Company ....... (explore, also) other potential sites.
- 3. Mobil ...... (expect) the new well to produce 1,000 barrels a day next year.
- 4. Oil companies ...... (search, always) for new supplies of oil and gas.
- 5. Some oil wells ..... (be) very old but they

..... (still, produce) oil every day.

# 4. PRODUCTION AND TRANSPORTATION

# 4.1 Text: An oil refinery



Follow the flow of petroleum from crude oil to the end products.

#### FROM CRUDE OIL TO AVIATION FUEL.

When crude oil comes from the oil well or an oil tanker it goes into storage. From there it goes into a furnace where it is heated. From the furnace it goes into a column. The heaviest parts of the crude oil, such as bitumen and asphalt, go to the lower part of the column. The lighter parts go higher up the column and will become different products.

#### **Exercise**

Refer to the paragraph and answer the questions.

- 1. Which parts of the crude oil go to the bottom of the column?
- 7. Underline one superlative and three comparative adjectives in the paragraph.

### 4.2 **Pronoun 'one'**

'One' is a number. It is also used as a pronoun; we use it so that we do not need to repeat a noun. Look at these examples:



- I have forgotten my pen. Can I borrow <u>one</u>? (= Can I borrow <u>a pen</u>?)
- My mobile phone is broken so I'm going to buy a new <u>one.</u> (= a new <u>mobile phone</u>)

#### **Exercise**

Insert 'one' or 'ones' in the following sentences.

- 1. My new drill is better than my old .....?
- 2. That book is \$5. How much is this.....?
- 3. My new work boots are more comfortable than my old .....
- 4. I have sold my old motorcycle and bought a new .....
- 5. Which car do you like, this .....?
- 6. You have finished your coffee, would you like another .....

# 4.3 Vocabulary: oil pipelines



The Alaska pipeline carries millions of barrels of oil each day across one thousand kilometres of countryside.

#### **Exercise**

Insert the best word into the paragraph.

refinery	subterranean export	leak environment
pipelines	environmental tanker	submarine transport

# <u>Pipelines</u>

Oil are used to take oil from an oil well to an oil
for conversion to petrol and other products or to a port for to other countries
by Pipelines are an important form ofand are also
used to carry gas, and water. In some countries pipelines due to corrosion
from the rain and the sun, and the oil causes serious damage to the Pipelines
need to be maintained regularly to look after them and to avoid this damage.
To avoid visual pollution, some pipelines go underground, they are called
pipelines. Other pipelines go under water from the oil field to the refinery, these are
pipelines.

# 4.4 Texts: An oil pipeline and the Panama Canal

#### **Oil pipeline**

British Petroleum (known as BP) is a very large international oil company. From next year BP plans to ship 100,000 barrels of oil a day by pipeline to Panama's Pacific coast port where it will be loaded onto tankers bound for the U.S. Crude oil tankers too large to traverse the Panama Canal usually go around South America but the overland pipeline greatly reduces transit times and lowers freight costs. The trans-Panama pipeline's capacity is 600,000 barrels a day.

#### The Panama Canal

The Panama Canal joins the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. The canal is slightly more than 64 km (40 miles) <u>long/length</u>. Each year more than 12,000 ships pass through the canal, cutting about 12,600 km (7,800 miles) off the voyage between the two oceans. The minimum <u>deep/depth</u> is 12.5 m (41 ft), and the minimum <u>wide/width</u> is 91.5 m (300 ft), allowing all the largest ships to pass through.

#### **Exercise**

Refer to the two paragraphs and answer the following questions. Answer in complete sentences where required.

1. What	at is 'the US'? (parag	graph 1)		
2. Find a word from paragraph 1 which mean the same as:				
0	going to	·		
0	big	<u>.</u>		
0	across	<u>.</u>		
0	· <b>J</b>	<u></u>		
0	goods, cargo	·		
3. In paragraph 2, delete the incorrect underlined words.				
4. What is a tanker?				
5. What are the two oceans mentioned in paragraph 2?				
6. How deep is the Panama Canal?				
	I			
7. Why do ships use the Panama Canal? Discuss this with a colleague.				

# 4.5 Vocabulary: petroleum

# **Exercise**

Write the word or words from the box alongside the correct definition.

oil rig	submarine	oil tanker	oil refinery	crude
subterranean	geologist	oil field drill	reservoir	

Definitions:

1.	Found below the surface of the earth.	
2.	An area containing reserves of oil.	
3.	A factory for purifying a raw material suc	h as sugar or oil
4.	A machine for making holes.	
5.	A natural place where something is stored	
6.	A natural or unrefined state.	
7.	A structure used as a base when drilling for	or oil
8.	Located beneath the surface of the water.	
9.	A person who studies the composition of t	he earth.
10	.Tanker, a ship or vessel designed to carry	liquid cargoes in bulk

## **Exercise**

Use the vocabulary in the box to complete the paragraph below.

## The petroleum process

Oil companies employ to study rock formations and to locate
new supplies of oil known as
as they are found under the
sea and other fields are because they are found under the surface
of the earth. An is constructed over the oil field and
a bores a well through to the oil
where the oil is stored. The
,unrefined oil is then taken by, which are special ships for
carrying liquid products, to anwhere the oil is processed into
different petroleum products.

# 4.6 Text: The Timor Sea

Choose the correct word or the correct form of the verb. The Timor Sea ...... (be) a stretch of water which...... (separate) the island of Timor and northern Australia at a ..... (wide/width) of about 480 km. The sea ..... (cover) an area of 450,000 sq km, and ..... (reach) a ...... (deep/depth) of 3,200 m. The sea ...... (contain) significant oil The rights to these deposits ...... (be) at the centre of a long-standing controversy, dating back to the 1970s. In 1972 Australia ...... (claim) about 85 per cent of the Timor Sea. Portugal ...... (dispute) this and ...... (put forward) an argument demanding the boundary be fixed mid-way. In July 2001 a 'Timor Sea Agreement' ...... (be) signed in Dili, establishing a joint petroleum development area. The agreement ...... (specify) that 90 per cent of the petroleum produced would belong to Timor-Leste, and 10 per cent to Australia. Answer these questions with full sentences. 1. How wide is the Timor Sea? ..... 2. What is the depth of the Timor Sea? ..... 3. What is the area of the Timor Sea? Write the number out in words. 4. What important deposits have been found in the Timor Sea? ..... ..... 5. How much of the Timor Sea did Australia claim in 1972? ..... 6. Which country challenged this claim? .....

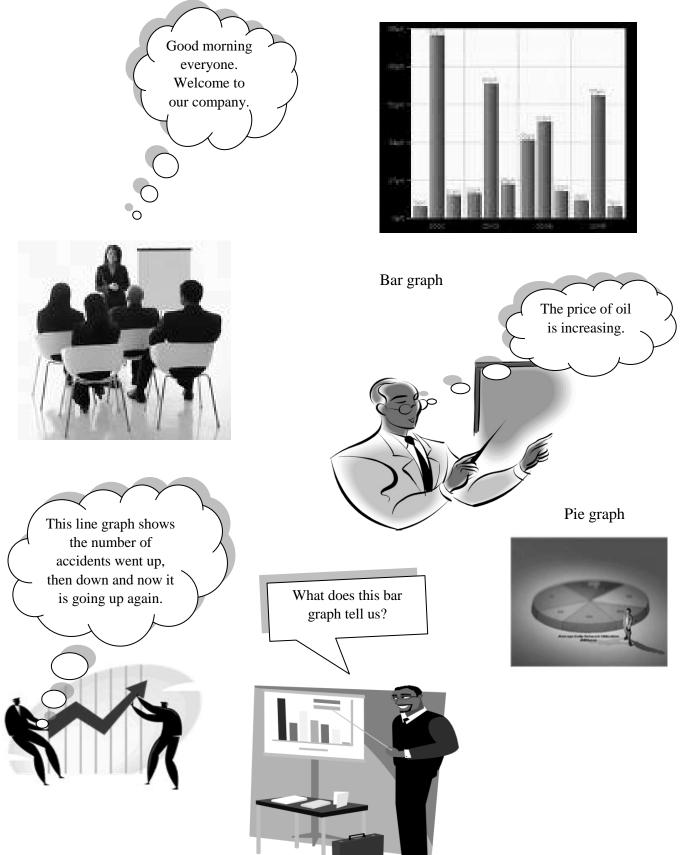
# 4.7 **Crossword: opposites**

Write in the opposite of the words given.

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CLUES ACROSS	CLUES DOWN
1 down	2 impossible
3 enemy	3 against
6 answer	4 dusk
7 build	5 subtract
8 sense	8 often
10 invisible	9 spend
12 arrive	11 outside
14 found	13 praise
15 none	16 hate, dislike
18 second hand	17 lend
19 divide	20 well
22 junior	21 women

# **5. GRAPHS, CHARTS AND TABLES**



# 5.1 **Prepositions for prices**

It is important to use the correct preposition with price changes.

Study this e.g. and then try the exercises.

Old price	\$100
New price	\$105
Increase	\$5
Increase	5%

- The price has increased by \$5. = The price has gone up by \$5.
- The price has increased by 5%.
- There has been an increase <u>of</u> \$5 in the price <u>of</u> rice.
- The price has gone up to \$105. (new higher price)
- The price has increased from \$100 to \$105. (old price to new higher price)

## **Exercise**

Complete the sentence with one of these prepositions: by, from, in, of, to.

- 1. The price of oil has increased ......\$5.
- 2. There was an increase ...... \$5 in the price of oil.
- Last year the price of oil went up ......\$75.....\$85. That is an increase ......\$10.
- 5. The price of a litre of petrol has increased ...... 10 cents a litre.

## **Exercise**

The new price of a sack of rice is: The old price of a sack of rice was:	\$40 \$30	COTOT
The price has gone up by:	\$	10 Port

Write four sentences using this information, explaining the price change and using the correct preposition.

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## 5.2 Vocabulary: change

VERB	TETUN	NOUN
vary	muda (tuun-sae)	variation
change	muda	change
fluctuate	muda (tuun-sae)	fluctuation
increase	sae, aumenta	increase
decrease	tuun, hamenus	decrease
rise	sae, aumenta	rise
go up	sae, aumenta	
jump	sae makaas ('haksoit')	jump
fall	tuun	fall
drop	tuun	drop
go down	tuun	
decline	tuun	decline
plummet	tuun makaas	
ADJECTIVE	TETUN	ADVERBS
sharp	makaas	sharply
sudden	derepenti	suddenly
gradual	neineik	gradually
slight	uitoan	slightly
steady	neineik-neineik (laos derepenti)	steadily
slow	neineik	slowly

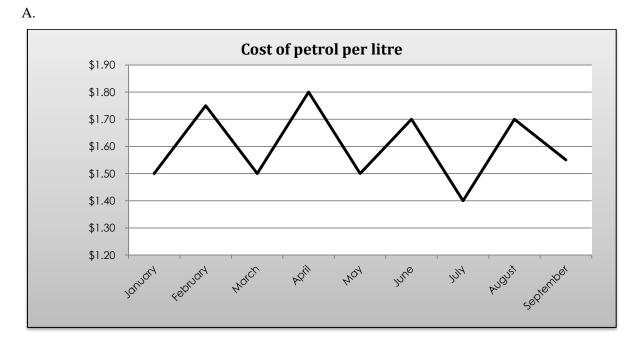
# 5.3 Describing price changes in Clarkesville

## **Exercise**

The following line graphs show the price of some consumer goods last year in the imaginary city of Clarkesville.

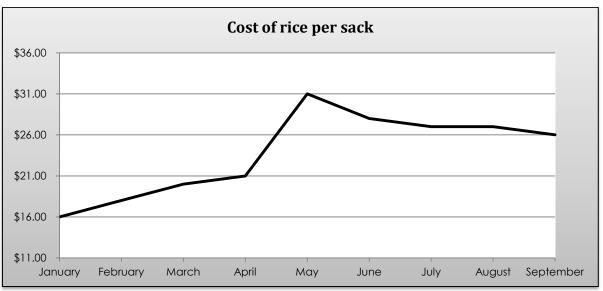
For each graph, choose two sentences from the list below which describe the graph most accurately. Write the sentences below the graph.

- 1. There was a gradual fall in the price, then it dropped suddenly, and then it started to rise again.
- 2. The price rose sharply then gradually fell.
- 3. The price increased slowly then jumped abruptly then decreased gradually.
- 4. There was a slow increase in the price then it went up sharply and then gradually decreased.
- 5. The price fluctuated.
- 6. The price went down gradually then dropped suddenly and then slowly increased.
- 7. The price went up and down.
- 8. The price jumped suddenly then fell steadily.



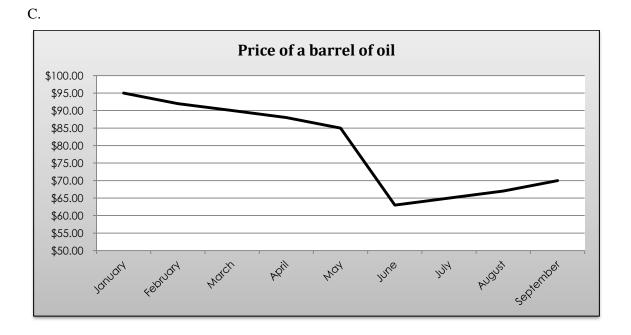






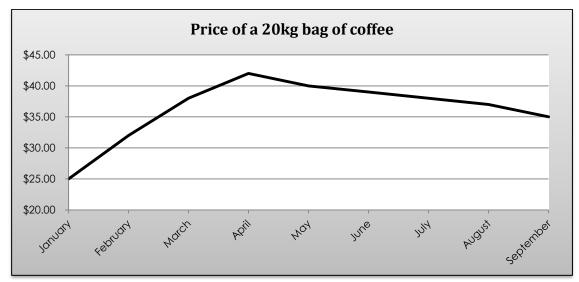
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# Exercise

Study the charts and write answers to the following questions. Use complete sentences.

1. In which month was the price of rice at its lowest?

What was the highest price for a sack of rice?
What was the highest price for a litre of petrol?
n which month was petrol at its most expensive?
n which month was the price of a barrel of oil at its lowest?
What was the highest price for a barrel of oil?
What was the highest price for a 20 kg bag of coffee?
n which month was the price of coffee at its highest?

# 5.4 Text: A major oil company

### <u>Mobil</u>

Mobil is a major American oil company that merged with Exxon in 1999 to form ExxonMobil. It operates petrol stations, carwashes, convenience stores and auto-repair shops throughout the world. It was founded in 1911 and quickly grew to be one of the world's most important oil companies.

ExxonMobil is the world's largest international oil and gas company and the world's largest refiner and marketer of petroleum products. ExxonMobil is also a technology company, applying science and innovation to find better, safer and cleaner ways to deliver the energy the world needs.

The company employs over 80,000 people worldwide.

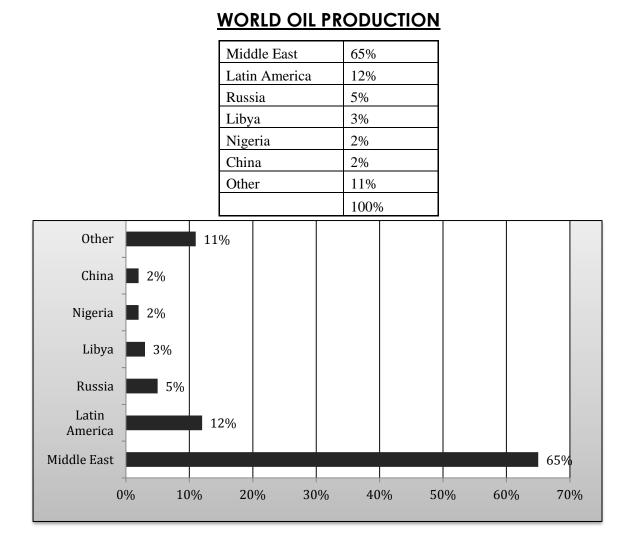
### **Exercise**

Refer to the paragraph and write down answers to the following questions. Use complete sentences where required.

1. Find three comparative adjectives.

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5.	Find two superlative adjectives.
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7.	
8.	When was Exxon Mobil founded?
9.	How many employees does Exxon Mobil have?

# 5.5 Bar chart: oil production



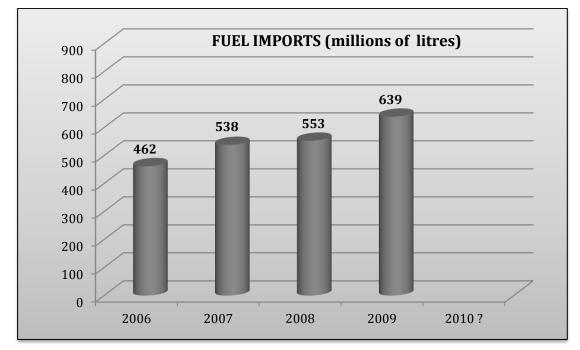
#### **Exercise**

Refer to the above chart and answer the following questions.

- 1. What type of chart is this? It is a ..... chart.
- 2. Libya produces ...... (more/most/less/least) oil than China but ...... (more/most/less/least) oil than Russia.
- 3. The Middle East produces ...... (much more/many more/much less/many less) oil than Latin America.
- 4. The Middle East produces ...... (more/most/less/least) oil than all the other regions put together.
- 5. Which two countries produce the same percentage of oil? .....

# 5.6 Column chart: fuel imports

These are the actual import figures for the Lao PDR as published in the Vientiane Times, November 2010.



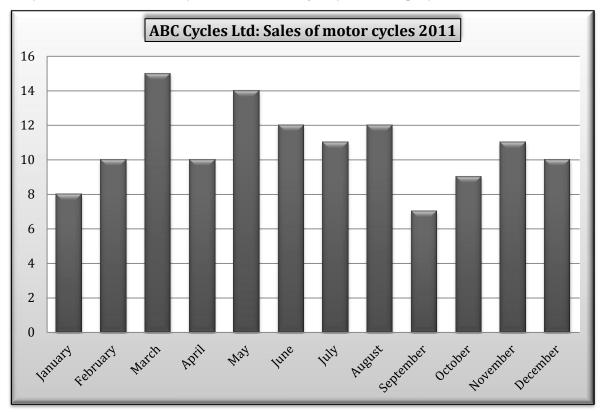
## Exercise

Study the chart and answer the following questions in full sentences.

1.	How many millions of litres were imported in 2009?
2.	Are fuel imports increasing or decreasing?
3.	What do you think the 2010 import figure <u>could</u> be? Why?
4.	Write 4 sentences which explain the chart using comparisons. See chapter 2 for help with comparisons.
5.	
6.	
7.	
8.	

# 5.7 Column chart: ABC motor cycle sales

Study the bar chart for motor cycle sales of the imaginary ABC company.



Answer the following questions in full sentences.

How many motor cycles did ABC Cycles sell in April 2011?
Which were the best two months for motor cycle sales 2011?
Write a sentence comparing sales for October and February 2011.
Which were the worst two months for motor cycle sales in 2011?
Which were the worst two months for motor cycle sales in 2011?
In 2011 was July a better month than August for motor cycle sales?
Write two superlative sentences about the chart.
Write two superlative sentences about the chart.

## 5.8 Compounds with 'some' and 'any'

Study section 9.14 about compounds with 'some' and 'any'. Then insert the correct pronouns below.

- 1. Does ...... (someone/anyone) know where Mario has gone?
- 2. The nurse gave me ...... (something/anything) for my toothache.
- 3. Has ...... (anyone/someone) seen my ticket? I can't find it.
- 4. Josie can't find her suitcase. ..... (anyone/someone) must have taken it.
- 5. You should find ..... (someone/anyone) to help you move that luggage.
- 6. My boss was angry, but I didn't do ..... (something/anything) wrong.
- 7. Does ...... (anybody/somebody) want to work my night shift tonight?
- 8. Did you go ...... (anywhere/somewhere) last weekend, or did you stay home?

# 5.9 **Possessive pronouns and determiners**

There are two types of words which show possession or ownership. The first type act as adjectives and are used in front of nouns. They are also called possessive determiners. e.g. <u>my</u> friend, <u>his</u> book, <u>their</u> children.

The second type is called a possessive pronoun. They stand on their own and take the place of a noun to show ownership. e.g. This phone is <u>mine</u>.

SUBJECT PRONOUN	POSSESSIVE DETERMINER	POSSESSIVE PRONOUN
Ι	my	mine
he	his	his
she	her	hers
it	its	its
we	our	ours
you	your	yours
they	their	theirs

## **Exercise**

Choose the correct possessive word to complete the sentence.

- 1. They are ..... (our/ours) friends.
- 2. They are workmates of ...... (her/hers)
- 3. I put ...... (my/mine) tools in ...... (my/mine) toolbox and I put ...... (your/yours) in ...... (your/yours)
- 5. Safety is ..... (your/yours) responsibility.

- 8. I can't find ...... (my/mine) hacksaw. Can I borrow ...... (your/yours)?

# 5.10 Countable and uncountable nouns

Study section 9.11 about countable and uncountable nouns.

#### **Exercise**

Are the following nouns countable or uncountable? Tick the correct column.

NOUN	COUNTABLE	UNCOUNTABLE
screw		
information		
news		
petroleum		
nail		
hammer		
plastic		
wood		
furniture		
computer		
person		
gas		

#### Exercise

Complete these sentences by writing in the correct determiner in the space.

- 1. I haven't done ...... (much/many) work today because the drill is damaged.
- 2. There are not ...... (much/many) weeks left to the end of the training course.
- 3. There's too ...... (much/many) traffic on the roads in the morning and too ...... (many/much) bad drivers.
- 4. How ...... (much/many) people were at the meeting?
- 5. We don't have ..... (much/many) time to finish the project.
- 6. How ..... (many/much) days are there in January?
- 7. There are too ..... (many/much) cars on the road.
- 8. We didn't have ...... (many/much) lessons last week because it was the week before the examinations.
- 9. The roads were flooded because there was too ...... (much/many) rain.
- 10. There are too ...... (many/much) plastic bottles thrown away.

# Exercise

Tick the correct box: Are these nouns countable or uncountable?

NOUN	COUNTABLE	UNCOUNTABLE
tea		
coffee		
pollution		
traffic		
rain		
tool		
equipment		
money		
sugar		
knife		
electricity		
work		
power		
child		

# 5.11 Verbs with similar meanings

For each verb on the left, find a verb from the right that has a similar meaning.

extract	differ
find	discover
increase	look for
investigate	make
produce	provide
search	raise
supply	remove
vary	study

# 5.12 Exercises: Past and present continuous tense

## **Exercise**

Complete the table by rewriting the examples in simple past or present continuous tense. (Replace time phrases with any phrase you like.)

SIMPLE PAST (PAST TIME)	PRESENT CONTINUOUS (NOW OR THE
	FUTURE)
1. The shop closed ten minutes ago.	
2.	I am going on a Safety Course next month.
3.	Where are you going tomorrow?
4. We had a meeting last Monday.	
5. I started work this morning at 8 o'clock.	
6. Did you work last Saturday?	
7.	My boss is working late tonight.
8.	The restaurant is closing in ten minutes.
9. I helped my brother with his homework last night.	
10.I didn't go to work yesterday.	

## **Exercise**

This is a conversation between Mario and Maria. Complete the dialogue by inserting the correct tense of the verb.

Mario:	Where (you, go) next weekend?
Maria:	We (go) to Atauro Island on Saturday morning and we
	(come back) on Monday morning.
	We (go) there last month and
	we (enjoy, really) it.
Mario:	Who (you, go) with on Saturday?
Maria:	I (take) some visitors from Australia.
	They (arrive) last night and
	they (stay) for a few weeks.
Mario :	(you, get) sea sick?
Maria:	I hope you have a good trip.

# 6. EMPLOYMENT

# 6.1 Mario's job application

Hi, I'm Mario.

me.

There (be) three people on the interview panel.		
There		
introduce) themselves then they (ask) me about my education and about my		
experience. I (tell) them it (be) my first job		
pplication and that I (not, have) any experience.		
They (tell) me about the job and (give) me some		
information about the company to read. I (ask) some questions but		
(not, ask) about the pay. I (want) them to think		
(be) only interested in the job and my future. The interview		
(be) very thorough and I (be) pleased when		
t (be) over.		
This morning I (be) both surprised and pleased because		
hey (telephone) me and (offer) me the job.		

I ...... (be) very happy and I ..... (say) 'yes' immediately.

From the dialogue find a synonym for each of the following words:

1.	knowledge	·	
2.	right away	·	
3.	worried	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
4.	untidy	·	ø
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# 6.2 **'Used to'**

We use <u>used to</u> when we are talking about something which was true for quite a long time in the past, but is not true any more. Look at the examples below.

Here is some information about Mario.

	YEAR 2001	NOW
Home	East Timor	Indonesia
Marital status	Single	Married
Job	UN	University
Weight	75 kilograms	130 kilograms
Hobby	football	chess

- Past tense: In 2001, Mario <u>lived</u> in East Timor.
- Past with <u>used to</u>: Mario <u>used to</u> live in East Timor. (Now he lives in Indonesia.)

## **Exercise**

Look at the information about Mario. Write four sentences about Mario comparing how his situation used to be in 2001 with what it is now.

1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	

# 6.3 Exercise: possessive pronouns and determiners

Choose the correct word and write it in the space.

I work for a large oil company in Indonesia but	(my/mine) sister works for
a small printing company in Malaysia (He	er/Hers) office is much smaller
than (mine/my) but (my/mine) has a bette	r view than
(her/hers) (Our/O	ours) working hours are 40 hours
a week.	
(My/Mine) salary is quite good but	(her/hers) is
better.	

Choose the correct word and write it in the space.

I went shopping with ..... (my/mine) mother last Saturday and we each bought a pair of shoes.

(Her/Hers) are size 43 but (my/mine) are size 40.
(Her/Hers) shoes are black and (my/mine) are
brown (Her/Hers) shoes were much cheaper than
(my/mine) but (her/hers) are a better brand.
Fortunately she can't borrow (my/mine) because
(my/mine) shoes are too small for her and (her/hers) are too big for me.

Choose the correct word and write it in the space.

I borrowed a set of spanners and (ye	our/yours) hacksaw from
(your/yours) toolbox this morning.	I needed the spanners to repair
(my/mine) motorcycle today becaus	se I left
(my/mine) set at home so I borrowe	.d
(your/yours). I know the hacksaw is	. (your/yours) and not
(my/mine) because it has	(your/yours) name on
it. Please forgive (me/my).	

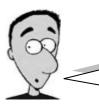
I promise to give them back to you on Monday.

# 6.4 Exercise: tense

Complete the table by filling in the space in the correct tense.

SIMPLE PRESENT	SIMPLE PAST TENSE
1. On day shift we have lunch early.	
2.	Mario was absent yesterday.
3. My friend telephones me every evening.	
4.	Did you watch television last night?
5. Is there a meeting tomorrow?	
C And there are transisted in success had all	
6. Are there many tourists in your hotel?	
7.	I checked my emails this morning.
8. Do you walk to work in the morning?	

# 6.5 Text: Mario's first day



Hi, this is Mario again.I want to tell you about my first day at work.

Insert the correct verb tense (past or present).

Y	esterday	(be) my first day on the job. I	(report) to
th	e safety m	nanager at 8 o'clock along with about ten other new staff. I	(be)
th	e only per	rson from East Timor and so I (be) a bit ner	vous but I soon
(make) friends with some people from Indonesia.			
T	he safety r	manager (explain) the importance of safety.	
Η	e	(give) us all a copy of the safety manual and	
he	e	(tell) us to read and understand it. He	(say) we
		(be) responsible for our own safety and that it	(be)
in	nportant to	o observe all safety notices and warnings. He then	(say) if we
		(have) an accident we must report it to our supervisor	immediately, and he
	•••••	(show) us how to fill in the forms.	
T	he safety r	manager (give) us all a pair of overalls, a ne	ew pair of safety
bo	pots and a	helmet. He (tell) us that we must always w	ear our helmet when
W	e are in a	'hard hat area'. Then he (show) us a video	on safety. Some
pe	eople	(ask) questions. When we	(finish) we all
		(go) to lunch.	
Answ	ver the fol	lowing questions in full sentences.	
1.	Who did	the new employees report to on their first day?	
2	What die	d the safety manager give to the new employees?	
2.	w nat uit	the safety manager give to the new employees:	
3.	In your o	opinion who is responsible for safety? Discuss this with a colleague	2.
1	From the	e text find another word (a synonym) for	
	4. From the text find another word (a synonym) for:		
5.	Handboo	ok :	
6.	uneasy	:	
7.	security	·	
8.	significa	unce :	
	-		

# 6.6 Exercise: 'much', 'many', 'any' or 'some'

Complete the sentences by inserting the correct determiner. See section 9.13 for 'some' and 'any', and section 9.11 for 'much' and 'many'.

# 6.7 Text: Mario's day shift

Every third week I work day shift. That means I start work at 6 o'clock and finish at 2.00 pm. When I get to work in the morning the supervisor tells us our duties for the week. He usually sends me to the warehouse to load the trucks. I don't mind because it is good exercise but sometimes the boxes are too heavy for me to lift so somebody helps me. Monday and Friday are the busiest days and by the end of the week I am really tired.

Unfortunately on day shift we don't have an hour for lunch, we only have 30 minutes so there isn't much time to have a rest. At lunchtime I go with my workmates to the cafe next door and we talk about work and sport.

When I finish work I usually go with my friends to play football and afterwards we meet at a restaurant near the beach. I stay up late on day shift as I don't have to get up too early the next day.

#### **Exercise**

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

1. Why die	1. Why did Mario ask somebody to help him lift the boxes?		
2. What do	. What do they talk about over lunch?		
3. From th	3. From the writing find <u>one</u> superlative adjective.		
4. How of	I. How often does Mario work day shift?		
5. From th	e passage find and write down synonyms for the words below:		
6. begin	:		
7. boss	·		
8. fill	<u></u>		
9. pick-up	:		
10.sleepy	:		
11.sadly	:		
12.close to			

# 6.8 Text: Mario's afternoon shift

Insert the correct form of the verb into the spaces below.

Yesterday afternoon I (work) a double shift.
We (be) very busy on the rig because the drill
(break) just after I started my shift and we
(have) to attach a new bit. We (call out) the
mechanics and it (take) them nearly five hours to replace it. The
supervisor (not, be) happy because it usually
(take) about two hours. Then, one of my colleagues
(have) an accident. He (slip) on some oil
and (pull) a muscle in his leg. We (take) him
to the clinic and the nurse (examine) him, gave him some pain killers
and then (send) him home. He will be off-work for a week. I
(not, finish) until 6.00am and I (be) really
tired by the time I (reach) home so I (go)
straight to bed.

Answer the questions below in complete sentences.

1. What is a 'double shift'?	
2. How long did it take them to replace the bit?	
3. How did his colleague pull a muscle in his leg?	
4. What did the nurse do?	
5. How long will he be absent from work?	
6. Why was the supervisor unhappy?	
7. What did Mario do when he got home?	
8. What time did Mario finish his shift?	
9. How long does it usually take to fix the drill?	

# 6.9 Text: Mario on night shift

Last night my shift started at 10 pm but I clocked-in 15 minutes earlier so that I had time to put on my safety equipment, my overalls, my boots and my helmet. I put my gloves in my back pocket as I do not need them all the time.

The first thing I did was to check-in with my supervisor to receive my instructions. Then I went to my work station. I checked my tools and cleaned the work area to remove any dangerous bits and pieces from the floor. During the shift the supervisor came around to check on me. We had a coffee break at midnight and a 'lunch' break at 2.30am. My shift finished at 6.00am and the day shift took over. When I finished my shift I reported to the supervisor. I told him about a few safety issues then I signed-out and went home to bed.

# <u>Exercise</u>

Answer the following questions in complete sentences.

1. Why did Mario clock- in early?

AE	DVANTAGES DISADVANTAGES	
	colleague or in a group.	
8.	. What are the good points and the bad points of working night shift? Discuss this with a	
7.	7. Have you ever worked all night? When?	
6.	What time did Mario have lunch?	
5.	What was the last thing Mario did before he went home?	
4.	Why did Mario 'remove any dangerous bits and pieces'?	
3.	Why does Mario put his gloves in his back pocket?	
2.	What items of safety equipment does he use?	



# 6.10 'WH' questions

Study sections 9.6 and 9.7 about 'WH' questions.

#### **Exercise**

Write 'WH' questions to ask for the underlined information. (Remember to check the verb tense and use the same tense in the question.)

• We saw <u>my uncle</u> at the market.	Who did you see in the market?
1. Maria has just phoned Marcos.	
2. I like <u>this one</u> .	
3. <u>This piece</u> of steel is the longest.	
4. Maria has gone to a meeting.	
5. We are going to Baucau by bus.	
6. We are coming back <u>next year</u> .	
7. We stayed for a week.	
8. Your shift starts at <u>6 o'clock</u> tom	orrow morning.
9. Our house was built in 1995.	

### **Exercise**

Your sister has just returned from Singapore after studying there for one year. You want to know about Singapore. What would you ask her? Write five 'WH' questions.

1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	



## Exercise

You have been invited to a conference in Jakarta. Write five 'WH' questions asking for information about the conference.

1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	

# 6.11 Exercises: Verb tense

Study section 9 on Verb tense.

## **Exercise**

Complete the table by inserting sentences in the correct tense.

SIMPLE PAST	PRESENT CONTINUOUS (FOR FUTURE)
1. When did your brother come back from	
Australia?	
2.	Are you going to work tomorrow?
3. Did you send an email to Mario?	
4.	Where are you going tomorrow?
5. Did you watch television last night?	
6.	Is the new manager starting work tomorrow?
7.	How are you feeling today?.
8. Did you go to the meeting yesterday?	

# <u>Exercise</u>

Insert the correct form of the verb into the spaces below.

The Safety Meeting	(start) at 10 o'clock. It is now nearly
midday and the meeting	(not, still, finished).
	(start) drilling three months ago but it
	(yet, not, locate,) any new wells.
Shell	(discover) a new oil field off the coast of Brazil last year
and it	(recently, find) a huge gas field in the Gulf of Mexico.

# 7. HEALTH AND SAFETY



**QUESTION**:

If you see this sign, what type of safety equipment should you wear?

ANSWER;

## **QUESTION**?

Where would you see this sign?

ANSWER:



# 7.1 Safety signs and symbols

Safety signs and symbols consist of messages, words and symbols with a variety of sizes, shapes and colours. All the shapes and colours are standardised. Each shape and each colour has a different meaning.

#### The shapes of workplace health and safety signs

#### **Triangles:**

A triangle shows a warning, for instance that there is danger from toxic gas or electric shock.

#### **Circles:**

A circle shows that you should do something, for example that you should wear eye goggles and safety hard hats.

A circle with a diagonal line across it shows that you must not do something, for example that you must not eat or drink in this place.

#### **Squares or rectangles:**

Squares and rectangles show information.

#### The colours used in workplace safety signs and symbols

#### Red:

Red marks emergency devices like fire fighting equipment, or shows that you must not do something.

#### Yellow:

Yellow marks warnings.

#### **Blue:**

Blue shows that you must do something, or shows information. For example a sign to wear personal protective equipment.

#### Green:

Green shows the location of first aid equipment.

#### **Examples of signs**

Here are some examples of signs. For each sign write down:

- 1. What does this sign mean?
- 2. Where would you see a sign like this?











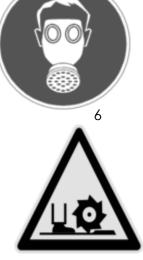




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#### Review:

- 1. What are red signs used for?
- 2. What are green signs used for?
- 3. What are triangular signs used for?
- 4. What are circular signs used for?

Discuss the answers to these questions:

- 1. Why are signs used and not words?
- 2. Do you think people take notice of signs?
- .....

# 7.2 Accident reporting I

Sometimes accidents happen at work. These accidents are reported by filling out an accident report. Insert the correct tense in the spaces below. Then complete the report below the story.

## THE ACCIDENT

My friend, Mario Oliveira (be) very unlucky yesterday, Wednesday afternoon.
It (be) his twenty seventh birthday and he (have) an
accident at work. At twenty minutes to three he (trip) over an iron bar which
(be) on the floor and he (fall) and
(hurt) his arm. I (take) him to the doctor immediately.
The doctor(think) it(be) broken but he
(take) an x-ray and (find) that it (be) only bruised. He
(put) his arm in a sling and (give) him some pain killers
and (tell) him to come back in a week for a check up.

## ACCIDENT REPORT FORM

Today's date:/						
Victim's family name: First name:						
Age:						
Date of accident:						
Part of body affected: please tick ( $\checkmark$ )						
O Arm	0	Leg	0	hand		
O Head	0	Chest	0	foot		
Type of injury:						
O cut	0	burn	0			
O break	0	sprain	0	bruise		
Time off work:						
<b>O</b> 0 - 1day	0	2 – 3 days		0	4 – 7 days	
Description of accident.						
1						



Action taken to prevent future accidents.

## 7.3 'Should' and 'shouldn't'

Study section 9.18 on should or shouldn't.

## **Exercise**

Insert <u>should</u> or <u>shouldn't</u> into the sentences below.

- 1. It looks like it is going to rain. We...... go home before it starts.
- 2. That box looks very heavy. You ..... lift it by yourself.
- 3. I think we ..... ask someone how to operate this machine.
- 4. That's a good idea. Who ..... we ask?
- 5. We ..... ask the shift supervisor.
- 6. We ..... be careful.
- 7. You ..... take risks
- 8. You ..... touch hot things without gloves

#### **Exercise**

Another student is going for a job interview tomorrow. Write five sentences giving them advice about what they should and should not do in the interview.

- 1. You should \_\_\_\_\_\_
- 2. You should \_\_\_\_\_\_
- 3. You should \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. You shouldn't \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. You shouldn't \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Exercise**

Match sentences 1–5 with sentences a–e.

- 1. What should I do when I start work?
- 2. You shouldn't use a hammer.
- 3. We should read the instructions first.
- 4. You shouldn't forget your helmet.
- 5. Where should I meet you?

- a. We shouldn't guess.
- b. You should sign in.
- c. You should use a screwdriver.
- d. We should meet at the ANZ Bank.
- e. You should protect yourself.

# 7.4 Warning signs I

Signs are very common on building sites and in industrial areas such as factories. They are used to warn people of danger. It is important to understand what the signs mean.

For each of the following signs, write down:

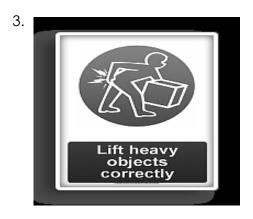
- 1. Does this sign give an instruction, a warning, or information?
- 2. What does this sign mean?
- 3. Where do you think you would find this sign?

Then discuss what is on each of the signs.









\_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_\_

# 7.5 Vocabulary: Safety

Complete the sentences by using words from the box.

unsafe hazard unprotected accident(s) dangerously danger	hazardous injury protected	dangerous gloves	safe hard hat	
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1. To protect your head you should wear a
2. If you drive you will cause an
3. Is it to swim in the sea at night? No, it is very
4. Working on an oil rig is a occupation.
5. There are a lot of on an oil rig.
6. Because of the earthquake, many tall buildings became
7. It is not for women to be out late at night.
8. Which is the most occupation in the world?
9. Because his hands were he suffered a serious
10. The company said the oil spill was an and they have apologised.
11. With more cars there will be more



# 7.6 Accident reporting II

Unfortunately accidents happen all the time in industry and they must be reported. This is an example.. Insert the correct tense in the spaces below. Then complete the report below the story.

ACCIDENT REPORT FORM							
Today's date:	/	/					
Victim's family	name:			First name:			
Age:							
Date of acciden	ıt:/.		y of accid	ent: Time: am/pm			
Part of body aff	fected: p	lease tick (✓)					
O Arm	0	Leg	0	hand			
O Head	0	Chest	0	foot			
Type of injury:							
O cut	0	burn	0				
O break	0	sprain	0	bruise			
Time off work:							
O 0 - 1day	0	2 – 3 days		O 4 – 7 days			
Description of a	accident.						
Action taken to prevent future accidents.							

# 7.7 Warning signs II

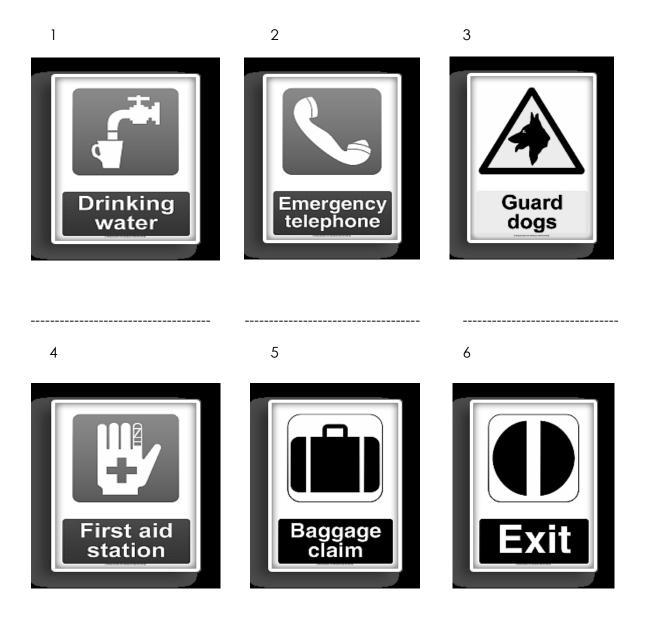
For each of the following signs, write down:

- 1. Does this sign give an instruction, a warning, or information?
- 2. What does this sign mean?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. Where do you think you would find this sign?

Then discuss what is on each of the signs.



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# 7.8 Exercises: 'WH' questions

# **Exercise**

See section 9.6 on WH questions. Write a 'WH' question for each of the following answers asking for the information underlined.

You can buy a 'sim' card <u>in Colmera.</u>
The meeting started <u>at 10 o'clock.</u>
Your interview is at <u>3.30pm on Friday.</u>
The approximate depth of the well is <u>1200 metres.</u>
It is 15 kilometres to the airport.

# **Exercise**

Your brother has just returned from shopping. Write five 'WH' questions you could ask him.

1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	

# **Exercise**

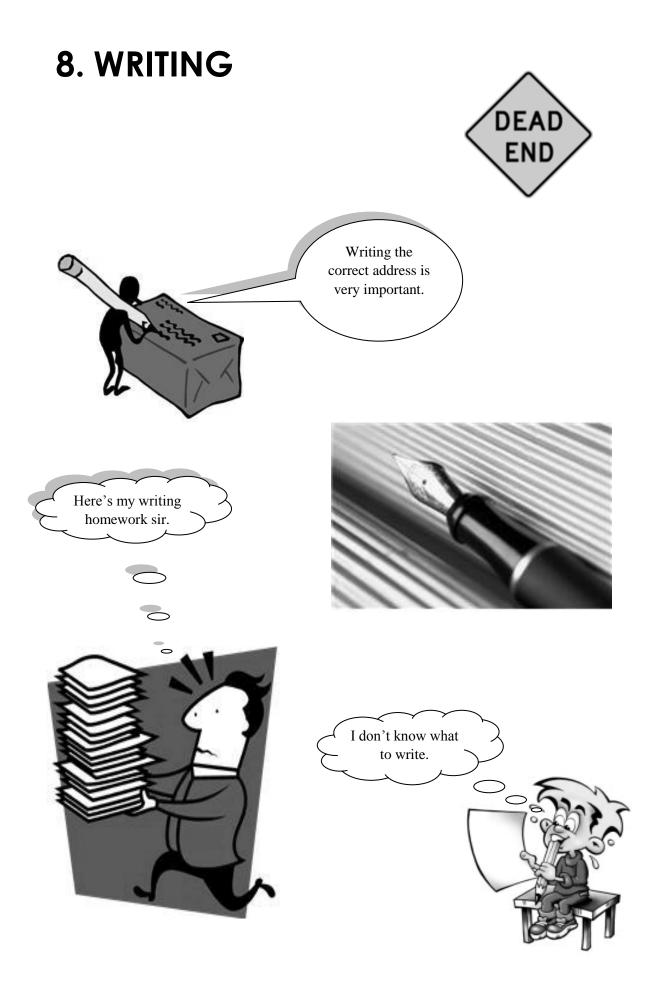
You want to go to the airport. You want to know the distance, the cost by taxi and the time it takes. What five 'WH' questions could you ask?

1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	

# 7.9 Exercise: Negatives

Write negative sentences for the ones provided. (See section 9.8 for information on forming negatives.)

POSITIVE	NEGATIVE
The road is flooded.	
I worked overtime last night.	
The oil drum is full.	
I left my tools at home.	
Tighten the nut very tightly.	



# 8.1 Filling in a form

Complete the application form using your own details. Note that:

- Block capitals = the whole word is written in capital letters
- D.O.B. = date of birth
- Spouse = husband or wife

## APPLICATION TO OPEN A BANK ACCOUNT

Please complete this form in block capitals.

Please answer with a tick ( $\checkmark$ ) in boxes. Answer every question.

			•						
Family name(s)	)					Given n	ame(s)		
D.O.B///			Nationality:						
	Day	Month	Ye	ar					
Place of birth:							male		female
□ Married		Single				No. of c	hildren	:	
Address:									
Is this property:	: 🗆	rented?				owned?			
How long have	you live	ed there?							
$\Box$ 0 – 3 years;		4 – 10 y	vears		more th	an 10 ye	ars		
Occupation:									
Employer / Sch	ool:								
				_					
How long have	you wor	rked / stu	idied th	ere?					
$\Box$ 0 – 3 years;		4 – 10 y	vears		more th	an 10 ye	ars		
Type of accoun	t:								
Joint account:		ves				no			
□ cheque acco		-	saving	s account	t				
If joint account			-						
Applicant's	-								
	•								ccount only)
Spouse s sig	,indiai C.	•••••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	•••••	•••••	•••••	(10	n joint a	count only)

# 8.2 Rules of punctuation

# **Exercise**

Complete these rules of punctuation by filling in the gaps with the words below:

comma (,)	full stop (.)	question mark (?)
capital letter (A)	apostrophe (')	exclamation mark (!)
1. Every sentence i	n English starts with a	
2. Every sentence i	n English ends with a	
3. Names of days a	nd months start with a	
4. A question ends	with a	
5. You use a	at the end of a sente	nce to express surprise.
6. At a	you pause briefly.	
7. Names of people	e, countries, places and organized	sations start with a
8. Language names	start with a	
9. You cannot use	a in the middl	e of a sentence except for names.
10.If a letter is left of	out of a word you must use an	

## **Exercise**

Rewrite these passages with correct punctuation.

- The wet season is from about may to october with rainfall averaging 1,778 mm and a dry cool season extends from about november to february the remainder of the year is hot and humid temperatures in april the warmest month average 28.9° c and in january temperatures average 21.7°c
- 2. brazil is the largest country in south america.the republic has a common frontier with every country of south america except chile and ecuador.brazil is the fifth-largest country in the world. most of the people of brazil live near the atlantic ocean in the great cities of são paulo and rio de janeiro but the capital is brasília. the country was once a portuguese dependency and portuguese is the national language. brazil is famous for coffee and it hosts a well-known festival every july.

3. my name is joshua and im african im from a country called kenya and i speak swahili. i live in a small town close to the capital city, nairobi. my parents are farmers. i come from a big family – ive got five brothers and three sisters. im twenty years old but i left school a long time ago because i had to help my family on the farm. i like football and sometimes my friends and i organise a football match on sundays.

# 8.3 Definite and indefinite articles

Study section 9.12 on definite and indefinite articles.

#### **Exercise**

Insert the correct articles: the or a.

I have two fruit trees in my garden, ..... mango tree and ......tamarind tree. ..... mango tree is much bigger than ..... tamarind tree and its fruit is more delicious. ..... mango tree fruits in August and ..... tamarind bears fruit in May.

## **Exercise**

Insert <u>the</u> or  $\underline{a / an}$  to complete the sentence.

- 1. My friend lives in ..... small village in Baucau Province.
- 2. This weekend I am going to write ..... letter to my friend.
- 3. Yesterday was ..... hottest day of year.
- 4. Where is ..... nearest restaurant?
- 5. Is there ..... restaurant near here?
- 6. Where do I go to send ..... letter? To ..... post office.
- 7. We are expecting guests from Japan and China. ..... guests from Japan are arriving shortly, but ...... guests from China arrive tomorrow.
- 8. We walked to a waterfall. Near ...... waterfall we found ...... small restaurant where we had ...... meal.

## **Exercise**

Underline all the nouns in this paragraph. Then insert the correct article: <u>a</u>, <u>an</u>, or <u>the</u>. Remember we usually use <u>a</u> the first time we mention something and <u>the</u> for later times.

I have just started new job with international oil company
company has very strict safety policy because last year there were lot of
accidents on the rig. The safety manager said the accidents were unavoidable policy
is explained to all new employees on their first day and they are also given safety
handbook safety handbook provides a lot of information about what to do if there is
an accident. Every month we have safety meeting next meeting is on
Monday. We should go.

## **Exercise**

Insert <u>a/an</u> or <u>the</u> to complete the sentence.

- 1. Yesterday we climbed Mt. Ramelau. When we got to ..... top of ..... top of ...... mountain there was ...... beautiful view.
- 2. What is ..... highest mountain in the world?

3. Dili is ..... small city with friendly people.

- 4. At my school, ..... children like to play sport.
- 5. Hong Kong is ..... busiest city in Asia.
- 6. My friend has just started ..... new job at ...... Ministry of Tourism.
- 7. East Timor is one of ..... smallest countries in South East Asia.

# 8.4 Conjunctions: 'and', 'or', 'but'

Study section 9.15 on conjunction 'and', 'or' and 'but'. Then insert the correct linking word into the sentences below.

- 1. Which tool do you want? A spanner ...... a screwdriver?
- 2. I went to bed early..... unfortunately I got up late.
- 3. My motorcycle is old ..... it still runs well.
- 4. I have been to Brazil ...... I have never been to Portugal.
- 5. Would you like a standard room ...... a superior room?
- 6. Each room has a television ..... no air conditioning.

- 7. Please bring my hammer ..... some nails.
- 8. You have two choices. You can use nails ...... you can use screws.
- 9. I have a cordless drill ..... the battery is flat.
- 10. If there is an accident you must make two reports, a verbal report ...... a written report.

# 8.5 Formal and informal writing

When we write a letter or an email we must decide whether the communication is <u>formal</u> or <u>informal</u>, as this affects the language we use.

Usually <u>informal</u> writing is to friends or people we know very well, about non-work matters. <u>Formal</u> writing is to people we don't know, to business people or when writing about work issues, such as applying for a job.

## Exercise

Is this communication formal or informal? Tick ( $\checkmark$ ) the correct answer.

1. to a hotel, to ask for information.

□ informal		formal
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2. to the manager of a company, to advertise your company's products.

□ informal	formal

3. to a friend, about what you did on your holidays.

□ informal		formal
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4. to an important business woman, congratulating her on winning a business prize.

□ informal		formal
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5. to a possible employer, applying for a job.

formal

6. to an airline, to complain about the service.

□ informal		formal
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- 7. to the bank manager applying to borrow money.
  - □ informal □ formal
- 8. to the UN asking about a scholarship.

9. to a host family thanking them for looking after you during your year of study.

□ informal	formal

# 8.6 Writing a basic business letter

The following phrases are usually found in a standard business letter.

#### Starting the letter

Dear Sir/Madam, Dear Ms Smith,	Use this if you don't know who you are writing to. Use a title and surname if you know the name of the person you are writing to, and have a formal relationship with them. Common titles are 'Dr', 'Mr', 'Mrs', 'Miss' and 'Ms'. For women, use 'Ms' unless you are asked to use 'Mrs' (for married women) or 'Miss' (for
Dear Frank,	single women). Use a first name if the person is a close business contact or friend.
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#### Referring to the letter or advertisement you are replying to:

- Thank you for your letter of 5 March.
- With reference to your advertisement in the Times
- In reply to your letter of 23 March,
- With reference to your phone call today,

#### Giving the reason for writing:

- I am writing to enquire about ...
- I would like to apologise for ...
- I am writing to confirm ...

#### **Requesting something**

- Could you possibly ...?
- I would be grateful if you could ...

#### Agreeing to requests:

- <u>I would be delighted to present the speech at your graduation ceremony.</u>
- <u>I would be pleased to assist you in your research</u>.
- <u>I would be happy to provide the information that you require.</u>

#### Giving bad news:

- <u>Unfortunately</u> the meeting has been changed.
- I am afraid that I can't come on Monday.
- <u>I'm sorry for</u> the late reply.

#### **Enclosing documents**

- <u>I am enclosing</u> the information you asked for.
- <u>Please find enclosed</u> the information you wanted.
- Enclosed you will find the information you requested.

#### Closing

- Thank you for your help. Please contact us again if we can help in any way.
- Please feel free to contact us if there are any problems.
- Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

# **Referring to future contact:**

- I look forward to hearing from you soon
- I look forward to meeting you next Tuesday.

# Signing off:

Yours faithfully,	Use this if you don't know the name of the person you're writing
	to
Yours sincerely,	Use this if you know the name of the person you're writing to
Best wishes/Best regards,	you can use this if the person is a close business contact or friend

Then sign your name, and write it in full.

# 8.7 Writing a covering letter for a job application

When we apply for a job, we usually write a letter (called a 'covering letter') and a curriculum vitae. The letter gives information about yourself, why you are applying for the job, your qualifications and your personal qualities.

In English, letters have a very specific layout and format. Here is an example.

Your contact address Your contact telephone number Your email address

Going to (name or department) Address City

Date (day, month, year)

Dear Sir/Madam

#### Paragraph one: introduction.

I am writing to apply for the position of ....., which was advertised recently in the ..... (newspaper) / on your website. I have attached my curriculum vitae to support my application.

## Paragraph two: qualifications.

Write about your qualifications, where you have studied, what you have studied and how this can be used in the job. Include any further study you are planning.

## Paragraph three: personal.

Write why you are the right person for the job, your work experience, your personality. Use expressions from the advertisement.

#### Paragraph four: conclusion.

Say that you look forward to hearing from them and that you are available for an interview at their convenience.

Sign off:

Yours sincerely,

Signature

Your full name

# Exercise

The following advertisement appeared in the Chicago Tribune dated 25 July, and also on the web site of the Mexted Oil Company.

MEXTED OIL COMPANY Inc. 250 Long Beach Drive, Austin, Texas, USA. We are looking for an Oil Rig Technician in our Austin office. The role involves taking, evaluating and recording rock and soil samples from off-shore drilling rigs and therefore attention to detail and computer literacy are important requirements. This is a position for someone with a BSc (Geology) or a BMechEng who wants to enter the exciting oil industry. There is plenty of opportunity for promotion for those who are prepared to make this a career. We are looking for an enthusiastic person who is a team player, who can work without supervision and who has initiative. The job can be physically demanding with some shift work and long hours in a dirty and dangerous environment and in all weathers. To apply.

Address your application to the personnel manager. Applications close in 14 days.

Imagine that you have finished your degree. Write a covering letter applying for this job. First use the table below to match your qualities with the job. Write some comments in the box. Then use this information to write your letter on the following page.

REQUIREMENTS	HOW DO I MEET THESE REQUIREMENTS? (WRITE NOTES)
Qualifications	
Computer literacy	
Detail focused	
Team player	
Physically fit	
Enthusiasm	

# 8.8 Writing emails

## Some rules

Emails are now a very important means of communication. It is therefore important that they are written correctly. Here are some guidelines for a good formal email.

Do:

- ✓ use a subject line which says briefly what the email is about. Often two or three words are enough.
- $\checkmark$  write the most important information first.
- $\checkmark$  use numbers and bullet points to make the message clearer.
- $\checkmark$  it is better to use correct simple English than to use long sentences which are confusing.
- $\checkmark$  use paragraphs to keep the email clear and easy to understand.

Do not:

- ★ write 'hello' as your subject line
- **\*** write whole words in capitals, eg. HELLO
- **x** use different fonts in the email
- **x** use informal abbreviations like *cos*, and *uni*,
- ★ use acronyms like BTW, ASAP, BFN, except for organisations (e.g. UNDP, ANZ)
- **x** use 'smileys' O. These are only appropriate in informal emails to friends.

## **Exercise**

There are at least ten errors in this email. Find them and correct them.

Subject: Email about the details of the conference in august.

HELLO marcos,

*How are you today!!!*. The weather is HOT today. It rained all night last night. How is YOUR family? My family is well.

Here is the information about the conference:

- The conference is on monday 25<sup>th</sup> august.
- It will start at 9 o'clock am.
- It will finish at 4.30 pm.

If you need any more information please contact me. My telephone number is 123 4567.

Regards

# Exercise

Write an email using the following sentences in the correct order.

- 1. I look forward to meeting you next week.
- 2. Our office is located close to the station. The best thing to do is catch a taxi.
- 3. I am writing to confirm your visit to us next month.
- 4. Best wishes, John.
- 5. When you arrive, please ask for me at reception and I will come and meet you.
- 6. Dear Peter,
- 7. If you need to contact me, my mobile number is 123 4546.

# **Exercise**

You are going on leave for two weeks. Send an email to your colleagues to let them know.

# **Exercise**

Write an email to the Australian Embassy asking for information about studying in Australia.

# 9. VERB TENSES

# 9.1 Simple present tense

## Function of simple present tense

The simple present tense is used for an action that is repeated or usual. The action can be a habit, a hobby, a daily event, a scheduled event or something that often happens. It is also used for future planned events.

Here are some examples of simple present tense:

- > Fact (or something we believe to be true)
  - Beijing is the capital of China.
  - Exxon and Royal Dutch Shell are very big oil companies.
  - All my friends live in Baucau.

## > Opinion:

- A job in the oil industry has a good future.
- I think that is a good idea.

## > Habit:

- My husband usually gets up at 6.00 o'clock every day.
- We always have lunch at 12.30pm.
- We normally go to the market on Saturdays.

## > Timetables, schedules and rosters:

- The plane from Darwin arrives at 9.00am.
- Your shift begins at 8.30am.

## > Future: for future events or programmes

- The meeting starts at 9.00am tomorrow.
- The bus leaves at 10 o'clock.

## Structure of present tense

The verb 'to be' is irregular:

Subject	Verb
Ι	Am
he/she/it	Is
we/you/they	Are

For all other verbs, we put 's', 'es' or 'ies' on the third person singular form.

Where the verb ends in 'y' we delete the 'y' and add 'ies'

• carry = carr+ies = carries

Where the verb ends in 'o' or an 's'-like sound ('x', 'z', 'ss', 'ch', or 'sh'), we add 'es'

- go = goes
- fix = fixes
- buzz = buzzes
- miss = misses
- catch = catches
- wash = washes

There is only one irregular form

• have = has

# 9.2 **Present continuous tense**

#### Present continuous for present time

We use the present continuous tense for an action that is happening now or around now. It is unfinished and not permanent or habitual. To show we are talking about the present time, we can use time phrases such as: <u>now</u>, <u>at the moment</u>, <u>currently</u>, <u>at present</u>, <u>nowadays</u>.

- I <u>am living</u> in Colmera at the moment.
- They <u>are going</u> to the meeting. (now)
- I <u>am reading</u> a motorcycle magazine.
- Marcos is repairing his motorcycle.
- At the moment I <u>am teaching</u> English.
- At present we are negotiating a new contract with the Government.

#### **Present continuous for future**

Present continuous can also be used for an action happening in the future. In this case we may add a future word, for example: this afternoon, tomorrow, next week/month/year.

- We are going shopping tomorrow.
- My brother is going to Australia next week.
- My friend is coming back to Timor next year.

#### **Construction of present continuous tense**

Subject	+	verb 'to be'	+	main verb	+	'ing'
Ι	+	am	+	walk	+	ing
He/she/it	+	is	+	walk	+	ing
We/you/they	+	are	+	walk	+	ing

#### **Present continuous spelling**

When the verb ends in 'e', delete the 'e' and add 'ing'.

•	ache	=	ach+ing	=	aching
•	drive	=	driv+ing	=	driving
•	wave	=	wav+ing	=	waving

For all other verbs, add 'ing'.

٠	stay	=	staying
٠	try	=	trying
•	carry	=	carrying

# **Present continuous exceptions**

We do not usually use the following verbs in the continuous tense.

#### **Emotion and thought:**

believe	dislike	doubt
imagine	know	like
love	hate	prefer
realise	recognise	remember
suppose	understand	want
wish		

#### Sense:

appear	hear	see
seem	smell	sound
taste		

#### Other:

be	belong	concern
consist	contain	cost
depend	deserve	fit
include	involve	lack
look	matter	need
owe	own	possess

For all these verbs, we do not use present continuous. Instead we must use simple present tense.

#### **Incorrect: Present continuous**

- **✗** I am knowing your friend. **✗**
- ★ He is not understanding the teacher.
- ★ I am remembering your birthday.

## **Correct: Simple present**

- ✓ I know your friend.
- $\checkmark$  He does not understand the teacher.
- ✓ I remember your birthday.

# 9.3 Simple Past Tense

## **Function of simple past tense**

The simple past tense is used to describe actions that happened at a past time, which have been completed at the time of speaking.

We can use a time phrase when we use the past tense, for example: <u>yesterday</u>, <u>last week</u>, <u>two weeks</u> <u>ago</u>, <u>last night</u>.

- Last night I watched television with my family.
- I <u>started</u> my new job yesterday.
- My brother <u>bought</u> a new motor cycle last week.
- I <u>lived</u> there many years <u>ago</u>.

## **Structure of past tense**

The verb 'to be' is irregular:

Subject	Verb
I/he/she/it	Was
we/you/they	Were

Where the verb ends in a consonant plus 'y' we delete the 'y' then add 'ied'.

٠	carry	=	carr+ied	=	carried
٠	dry	=	dr+ied	=	dried

For all other verbs, add 'ed'.

٠	employ	=	employed
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• walk = walk	ed
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• start = started

Some verbs are irregular. These needs to be learned. There is a list of irregular verbs in section 9.9

## **Pronunciation**

The pronunciation of final 'ed' depends on the last sound in the verb.

If it is 't' or 'd', then the sound is 'ed'.

started	Started
decide	Decided

If it is any other voiceless consonant (p, k, s, ch, sh), then the sound is 't'.

Word	Pronunciation
helped	Helpt
asked	Askt
missed	Mist
watch	Watcht
wished	Wisht

If it is a vowel or any other voiced consonant (b, g, z, v, l, m, n, r, w, y) then the sound is 'd'.

Word	Pronunciation
tie	tied
sob	sobd
bag	bagd
gaze	gazd
received	receivd
mill	mild
form	formd
turned	turnd
answered	answerd
flow	flowd
toy	toyd

# 9.4 Present Perfect

## **Function of present perfect**

The present perfect is used when talking about a past event which is still relevant now. The action in the past has a result now.

- Marcos has lost his mobile phone. (He lost it, and still hasn't found it.)
- ExxonMobil <u>has discovered</u> a new oil field in the Timor Sea. (They discovered oil, and hope it will make them rich.)

We also can use present perfect when we talk about a period of time that continues from the past until now.

- I <u>have been</u> here <u>for</u> about a year.
- I have been here since 2011. (i.e. from 2011 to now)
- I haven't seen my friend <u>since</u> last week.
- I have been busy this week. (From Monday until now; this week has not yet finished.)

We can use the present perfect with adverbs such as just, yet, already.

- I haven't found a job <u>yet</u>. (not yet = *seidauk*)
- She has just finished breakfast. (just = foin)
- I have <u>already</u> finished the report. (already = *tiha ona*)

## Structure of present perfect

Subject	+	verb 'have'	+	past participle
He/she/it		Has		Walked
I/we/you/they		have		Walked

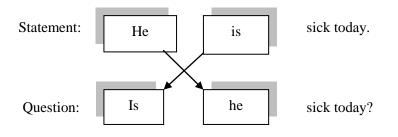
The past participle for regular verbs is the same as the simple past (verb + 'ed'), but for irregular verbs it must be memorised.

There is a list of irregular verbs and their past participles in section 9.9.

# 9.5 Forming yes-no questions

# Questions with the verb 'to be'

With the verb 'to be', we move the verb to the front. The verb must still agree with the subject.

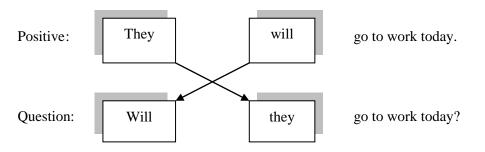


- <u>Is</u> she your sister?
- <u>Are</u> you busy?
- <u>Was</u> the examination difficult?
- <u>Were</u> the students late?

## Sentences with an auxiliary

All other questions need an auxiliary. If the statement has an auxiliary, then move the auxiliary to the front, before the subject. Auxiliaries include: 'to be' for present continuous, 'have' for present perfect, and modal auxiliaries such as <u>can</u>, <u>could</u>, <u>may</u>, <u>might</u>, <u>shall</u>, <u>should</u>, <u>will</u>, <u>would</u>.

This example shows how to form a question in the present continuous tense.



- <u>Would</u> you like to go to the party?
- <u>Can</u> you play chess?
- <u>Are</u> you going to work tomorrow? (present continuous)
- <u>Is</u> he watching television at the moment? (present continuous)
- <u>Have</u> you had lunch yet? (present perfect)
- <u>Has</u> your sister returned from Australia? (present perfect)

## Sentences without an auxiliary

If a statement does not have the verb 'to be', and does not have an auxiliary, then you need to add the auxiliary 'do'. The auxiliary verb must still agree with the subject, as usual, the main verb stays in the infinitive.

Auxiliary 'do'	Subject	Main verb	Rest of sentence
(agrees with subject)		(infinitive)	
Does	your sister	Live	in Dili?
Do	you	Play	football?
Did	John	like	the movie?

# 9.6 'WH' question words

'WH' questions are 'open' questions. They are used to find information. This is how the different 'WH' words are used. As in all questions, the verb comes first, after the 'WH' word.

who	Person	• Who is the duty manager today? John is.
1	0	• Who did you go with? I went with Martin and Jo.
whose	Owner	• Whose bicycle is that? It belongs to Julia.
		• Whose house did you go to? We went to auntie Di's.
<u>when</u>	time	• When is your flight to Singapore? Tomorrow
		afternoon.
		• When did you arrive in Dili? Last Thursday.
<u>what</u>	thing/event	• What is this? It's an 'X box'.
		• What did she say? She said, "No!"
		• What happened? He resigned.
		• What is the date today? Today is the 15 <sup>th</sup> .
$\underline{what} + noun$		• What time is the meeting? It is at 8pm.
		• What size are you looking for? A size 8.
		• What kind of music do you like? Jazz and rock.
		• What type of mobile did you buy? A Nokia.
<u>why</u>	reason	• Why is the plane late? Because there was a big storm.
where	place	• Where is the meeting being held? At Hotel Timor.
		• Where are you going? I'm going to the university.
which	choice between alternatives	• Which is the best cafe: Cafe Aroma or City Cafe? I
		prefer Cafe Aroma.
		• Which one do you prefer? I prefer that one.
how	general information	• How is your family? They're all well.
	-	• How was the meeting? It was long and boring.
	means, method	• How do you spell that please? It's spelled 'J O'.
		• How do you turn this computer on? Press on that
		button there.
<u>how</u> +	degree. See section 1.3.	• How long did you stay in Bali? Two weeks.
adjective	-	• How many bags do you have? Three.
-		• How far is the airport from the city? Eight
		kilometres.

# 9.7 Forming 'WH' questions

With 'WH' questions the verb order is the same as in 'yes/no' questions except that there is a 'WH' word or phrase before the auxiliary.

## WH questions with the verb 'to be'

'WH'	'to be'	Subject	<b>Rest of sentence</b>
Where	is	he	now?
What type of bike	is	it?	
How far	is	Suai	from Dili?

## WH questions with other verbs

As in yes-no questions, you must use an auxiliary. If there is no auxiliary in a statement, then add the auxiliary 'do'.

'WH'	Auxiliary	Subject	Main verb (infinitive)	Rest of sentence
Where	are	you	going?	
When	can	you	come	to meet me?
What time	does	the meeting	start?	
Which one	did	you	buy	at the market?

# 9.8 Forming negatives

#### Negatives with the verb 'to be'

When forming negative sentences we use not. With the verb 'to be', not comes after the verb.

- They are not very diligent.
- Justin is not American.

Often <u>not</u> is abbreviated to <u>n't</u>. It then either joins with the pronoun or joins with the verb to make one word.

Long form		Abbreviation	Example
I am not	=	I'm not	I'm not ready yet.
He/she/it is not	=	He/ isn't	The drill isn't here.
We/you/they are not	=	We/ aren't	We aren't late.
He/she/it was not	=	He/ wasn't	He wasn't a good worker.
We/you/they were not	=	We/weren't	They weren't worried.

## Negatives with other verbs

With all other verbs, the negative (not or  $\underline{n't}$ ) follows an auxiliary verb. If there is no auxiliary verb, then add 'do'.

Often <u>not</u> is abbreviated to  $\underline{n't}$ . It then joins with the auxiliary to make one word.

Long form		Abbreviation	Example
do not	=	don't	We <u>don't</u> have enough time to finish the job today.
does not	=	doesn't	He <u>doesn't</u> know.
did not	=	didn't	We <u>didn't</u> have any problems on the night shift.
have not	=	haven't	They haven't discovered oil yet.
has not	=	hasn't	He <u>hasn't</u> finished his breakfast yet.
had not	=	hadn't	He <u>hadn't</u> seen anyone.
can not	=	can't	They <u>can't</u> come tomorrow.
could not	=	couldn't	I couldn't attend the class yesterday as I was sick.
have not	=	haven't	We haven't seen John since yesterday. Is he away?
had not	=	had not	We hadn't been to Bali before. It was all new for us.
must not	=	mustn't	You <u>mustn't</u> smoke in here.
should not	=	shouldn't	You <u>shouldn't</u> kick the dog.
will not	=	won't	I <u>won't</u> get home until late.
would not	=	wouldn't	He's stingy: he wouldn't help you even if he could.
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# 9.9 List of irregular verbs

PRESENT	TETUN	PAST	PAST
		(SIMPLE)	PARTICIPLE
am/ is / are	-	was/were	been
become	sai	Became	become
begin	hahuu, komesa	Began	begun
bite	tata	Bit	bitten
break	tohar	Broke	broken
bring	lori mai	brought	brought
build	harii	Built	built
buy	sosa	bought	bought
catch	simu	caught	caught
choose	hili	Chose	chosen
come	mai	came	come
cost	folin	cost	cost
cut	koa, tesi	Cut	cut
do	halo	did	done
draw	halo dezenyu	drew	drawn
drink	hemu	Drank	drunk
drive	lori (kareta)	Drove	driven
eat	haan	ate	eaten
fall	топи	Fell	fallen
fight	istori malu, baku malu	Fought	fought
find	hetan (buat nebee ita buka)	Found	found
fly	semo	flew	flown
forget	haluha	forgot	forgotten
get	hetan, simu	got	got/gotten
give	foo	gave	given
go	baa	went	(i) gone (ii) been
grow	aumenta ba dadaun	grew	grown
hang	tara, tabele	hung	hung
have	iha (mempunyai)	had	had
hear	rona	heard	heard
hide	subar	Hid	hidden
hit	baku	Hit	hit
hold	kaer	Held	held
hurt	estraga, halo aat; moras	Hurt	hurt
keep	rai; hakiak (animal); halo tuir (lei)	Kept	kept
know	hatene, konyese	Knew	known
leave	husik; aranka	left	left
lend	foo empresta	Lent	lent
let	husik (ema halo buat ruma)	let	let
lie	toba; bosok	lay	lain
lose	lakon	Lost	lost
make	halo, kria	made	made
mean	signifika	Meant	meant

PRESENT	TETUN	PAST	PAST
		(SIMPLE)	PARTICIPLE
meet	hasoru	met	met
pay	selu	paid	paid
put	tau, rai	put	put
read	lee	read (red)	read (red)
ride	sae (kuda, motor, bisikleta)	rode	ridden
ring	dere; (sinu, telefone) lian	rang	rung
rise	sae	rose	risen
run	halai	ran	ran
say	hatete	said	said
see	haree	saw	seen
seek	buka	sought	sought
sell	faan	sold	sold
send	haruka (ba fatin ruma)	sent	sent
shine	nabilan, naroman	shone	shone
shoot	tiru	shot	shot
shut	taka	shut	shut
sing	hananu, kanta	sang	sun
sit	tuur	sat	sat
sleep	dukur	slept	slept
speak	koalia	spoke	spoken
spend	gasta	spent	spent
stand	hamriik	stood	stood
steal	naok	stole	stolen
swim	nani	swam	swum
take	lori, lori ba	took	taken
teach	hanorin	taught	taught
tell	hatete	told	told
think	hanoin	thought	thought
throw	soe, tuda	threw	thrown
understand	kompriende	understood	understood
wake	hadeer; fanu	woke	woken
wear	hatais	wore	worn
win	manaan	won	won
write	hakerek	wrote	written

# 9.10 Comparisons

When we compare two (or more) people or things we use a 'comparative' adjective plus 'than'.

• John is <u>taller than</u> Bill.

When we want to say that someone is taller or smarter than everyone else we use '<u>the</u>' plus a 'superlative' adjective.

 $\circ$  I am <u>the tallest</u>. = I am taller than everyone else.

#### **Comparative adjectives**

With adjectives of one syllable: we add 'er'.

0	large	>	larger (than)
0	small	>	smaller (than)

With two-syllable adjectives ending in 'y'; we delete the 'y' and add 'ier'.

0	easy	>	easier (than)
0	busy	>	busier (than)

With other adjectives with two or more syllables we use 'more' followed by the adjective.

0	expensive	>	more expensive (than)
0	difficult	>	more difficult (than)

#### **Superlative adjectives**

With adjectives with one syllable we use 'the' and add 'est'.

0	large	>	the largest;
0	small	>	the smallest

With two-syllable adjectives ending in 'y'; we delete the 'y' and add 'iest'.

0	easy	>	the easiest
0	busy	>	the busiest

With other adjectives with two or more syllables we use 'the most' followed by the adjective.

0	expensive	>	the most expensive
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 $\circ$  difficult > the most difficult

#### **Spelling**

When an adjective ends in a vowel + a consonant, we double the consonant.

- $\circ$  big > bigger (than) or the biggest
- $\circ$  thin > thinner (than) or the thinnest

## **Irregular forms**

	COMPARATIVE	SUPERLATIVE
good	better (than)	the best
bad	worse (than)	the worst
little	less (than)	the least
much	more (than)	the most
many	more (than)	the most
far	futher (than)	the furthest

There are some adjectives that do not follow these rules. You need to memorise them.

# 9.11 Uncountable nouns, 'many', 'much' and 'a lot of'

#### **Countable and uncountable nouns**

Nouns can be countable or uncountable.

Countable nouns can be counted: e.g. one spanner, two spanners; one nail, four nails.

An uncountable noun cannot be counted. For instance, we cannot count water, oil or rice. We cannot give a number to an uncountable noun but we can give a quantity. e.g. <u>three litres</u> of oil; <u>a bottle</u> of water; <u>five kilograms</u> of rice.

Uncountable nouns take a singular verb.

- Petrol is expensive.
- There <u>is</u> no water left in the bottle.

## 'Much' / 'many' / 'a lot of'

Much is used with uncountable nouns such as rice, water, and petrol.

- <u>How much</u> rice would you like?
- Australians don't eat much rice.

Many is used with countable nouns such as bolts, screws or knives.

- <u>How many</u> nails are there in that box?
- There are <u>many</u> students in this class.

<u>A lot of and lots of can be used with both countable and uncountable nouns.</u> There is no difference between the two.

- I have <u>a lot of friends</u>. = I have <u>lots of friends</u>.
- We have <u>a lot of</u> work to do to finish this project on time. = We have <u>lots of</u> work to do to finish this project on time.

# 9.12 Definite and indefinite articles

## **Overview**

English has two articles: '<u>the</u>' and '<u>a/an</u>'. We use <u>the</u> before a noun when it is clear which person or thing we mean. That's why <u>the</u> is called a 'definite article'.

We use <u>a</u> when we are not referring to a specific item. That's why <u>a</u> is called an 'indefinite article'.

- My father is <u>a</u> doctor. (There are many doctors and he is one.)
- <u>The</u> doctor from the clinic came to attend to my son last night. (This is one specific doctor.)

So, when we first introduce something, we use <u>a</u> and when we talk about it again, we use <u>the</u>.



• We had <u>a meal</u> at <u>a restaurant</u> near the beach. <u>The restaurant</u> was very busy and <u>the meal</u> was very good.

# Using 'a' or 'an'

Whether to use <u>a</u> or <u>an</u> depends on the sound that the next word begins with.

We use <u>a</u> if the next word begins with a consonant sound: a <u>h</u>ospital, a <u>b</u>oy, a <u>b</u>icycle, a <u>t</u>ree, a <u>d</u>og, a <u>b</u>ig cat. Note that some words are written with an initial vowel, but sound like they have an initial 'y'. We use <u>a</u> with these words too: a <u>u</u>ser, a <u>u</u>tensil, a <u>u</u>tility room, a <u>u</u>niversity, a <u>u</u>nion.

We use <u>an</u> if the next word begins with a vowel sound: an <u>o</u>range, an <u>a</u>pple, an <u>egg</u>, an <u>o</u>ven, an <u>o</u>rganic garden, an <u>o</u>nion. Note that some words are written with an initial silent 'h' but sound like they start with a vowel. We use <u>an</u> with these words too: an <u>h</u>our, an <u>h</u>onest person.

## Rules for using 'the'

We use the when it is clear which person or thing we mean. So we use it for:

- People or things which are unique, and everybody knows about: <u>the queen of England</u>, <u>the Prime Minister</u>, <u>the sun</u>.
- People or things which we have already started talking about: I bought a book and a newspaper yesterday. <u>The book</u> was expensive, but <u>the newspaper</u> was cheap.

However, in English we do not use any article\_before most place names:

- continents: <u>Asia</u>, <u>Europe</u>, <u>Africa</u>.
- most countries/territories or states: <u>Italy</u>, <u>Mexico</u>, <u>Brazil</u>, <u>Portugal</u>. However there are a few country names which include the: <u>the Netherlands</u>, <u>the Philippines</u>, <u>the United States</u>, <u>the United Kingdom</u>.
- cities or towns: Manila, Miami, Dili.
- streets: <u>Comoro Road</u>, <u>Banana Road</u>
- most mountains: <u>Mount Everest</u>, <u>Mount Fuji</u>. The names of ranges (long lines of mountains) do take <u>the</u>: <u>the Andes</u>, <u>the Rockies</u>.
- islands: <u>Atauro Island</u>, <u>Christmas Island</u>

Do use 'the' before:

- names of rivers, oceans, seas: the Nile, the Amazon River, the Pacific, the Timor Sea.
- points on the globe: the equator, the North Pole, the tropics.
- geographical areas: <u>the Middle East</u>, <u>the Far East</u>.
- acronyms: <u>UNESCO</u>, <u>DIT</u>, <u>ASEAN</u>.

Here are some other common types of nouns which don't take an article:

- languages and nationalities: <u>Chinese</u>, <u>English</u>, <u>Spanish</u>. (You do use 'the' if you are referring to the people: of the nation: '<u>The Spanish</u> are known for their warm hospitality.')
- sports: <u>football</u>, <u>volleyball</u>, <u>basketball</u>.
- diseases: malaria, dengue fever, AIDS, cancer. Exceptions are: the flu, a cold.
- meals: <u>breakfast</u>, <u>lunch</u>, <u>dinner</u>

# 9.13 'Some' and 'any'

In general we use 'some' in positive sentences and 'any' in negative sentences and questions.

Some is used in positive sentences:

- I asked for some information about the job.
- I need some screws to finish this job.
- We need some help to move these boxes.

Any is generally used in negative sentences:

- He doesn't have any experience.
- We didn't have any nails so we used screws.

Any is used for most questions:

- Do you have any spare hacksaw blades?
- Do you have any information about your oil company?
- Have you applied for any jobs recently?

But <u>some</u> is used for making offers or asking for things, even if you use a question:

- Would you like some tea?
- Would you like some ice-cream with your pudding?
- Could you give me some assistance?
- Can I have some time off work tomorrow?

# 9.14 Compounds with 'some' and 'any'

<u>Someone</u> and <u>somebody</u> mean 'some person'. <u>Anyone</u> and <u>anybody</u> mean exactly the same, but are used in negative statements and most questions.

Something and anything mean 'some thing'.

Somewhere and anywhere mean 'some place'.

All these words are used in the same way as <u>some</u> and <u>any</u>. (These are described in section **Error!** eference source not found..)

Some is used in positive sentences:

- <u>Someone/somebody</u> is here to see you.
- I'm hungry, I want <u>something</u> to eat.
- Inês is going somewhere, but she won't tell us where. It is a secret.

Any is used in negative sentences:

- John didn't like the party, because he didn't know <u>anyone/anybody</u> there.
- I'm not hungry, I don't want <u>anything</u> to eat.
- I'm not going <u>anywhere</u> tonight, because I'm too tired.

Any is used in most questions:

- Does <u>anybody/anyone</u> mind if I turn on the fan?
- Is <u>anything</u> wrong?
- In Dili, is it safe to go <u>anywhere</u> at night?

But some is used for making offers or asking for things, even if you use a question form:

- Can <u>someone/somebody</u> please help me?
- Would you like <u>something</u> to eat?
- Please put this money somewhere safe, so that thieves can't find it.

# 9.15 Conjunctions: 'and', 'or', 'but'

When we write we can join clauses with <u>conjunctions</u> to form complex sentences. Here are some important conjunctions and how they are used.

'And' (Tetun 'no', 'i', 'ho') links phrases or clauses which are both true.

- Yesterday it was hot and sunny.
- My name is Ken and I come from New Zealand.
- My friend can speak Indonesian and Portuguese.

'<u>Or</u>' (Tetun 'ka') can be used to show choice.

- Would you like coffee <u>or</u> tea?
- Is this sugar <u>or</u> salt?
- Did she say 'fifteen' or 'fifty'?

'But' (Tetun 'maibee') is used to link items that have contrasting meanings.

- Your computer is very old <u>but</u> it is still useful.
- My brother speaks Tetun and English <u>but</u> he doesn't speak Portuguese.

# 9.16 Conjunctions: 'because', 'so', 'therefore'; 'although'

Here are some conjunctions to link a reason and a result.

'<u>because</u>'('tanba')

- I took a taxi to the office <u>because</u> it was too far to walk.
- We didn't play football <u>because</u> it was raining.

#### "<u>so</u>" (*"nunee, entaun, nee duni"*)

- It was too far to walk <u>so</u> I took a taxi.
- It was raining, so we didn't play football. We played cards instead.

'<u>therefore</u>' ('*tanba nee*')

- He hasn't attended any classes. <u>Therefore</u> he can't sit the examination.
- The score at the end of the game was a draw. <u>Therefore</u> these two teams will have to play again.

The following conjunctions all mean 'maski': though, although, even though.

- My sister applied for the job <u>though</u> she didn't really have the right qualifications.
- He telephones his family every weekend <u>although</u> it is very expensive.
- Even though the teacher explained everything, some of the students still didn't understand.
- I agreed to work night shift even though I was very tired.

Both ... and ... can be used together to emphasise that two things are true.

- At the market I saw <u>both</u> my brother <u>and</u> my sister.
- My new office is <u>both</u> comfortable <u>and</u> big.
- My new job as a customer services officer is <u>both</u> interesting <u>and</u> well paid.

<u>Either ... or ...</u> emphasises that there is a choice between two alternatives.

- We can <u>either go to the beach or to the market</u>. We can't go to both.
- I have left my keys <u>either</u> in the office <u>or</u> at the restaurant; I don't know which.
- You can <u>either</u> apply for a job now <u>or</u> continue your studies. You can't do both.

<u>Neither ... nor ...</u> emphasises that two things are both not true.

- Some people can <u>neither</u> use a computer <u>nor</u> use a mobile phone.
- When my brother went to Australia he <u>neither</u> phoned <u>nor</u> wrote.
- I have got <u>neither</u> the time <u>nor</u> the money to go on holidays.

# 9.17 Conjunctions of time

Some common time conjunctions are:

before ('molok', 'antes'),

- Turn off the power <u>before</u> you repair the machine.
- <u>Before</u> you eat, you should wash your hands.

#### <u>after</u> ('*liu tiha*')

- <u>After</u> you turn off the power, it is safe to repair the machine.
- I usually brush my teeth <u>after</u> breakfast and always <u>before</u> going to bed.

since ('dezde', ho mos 'tanba')

- It is a long time <u>since</u> I saw you.
- Ever since he finished his degree, he has received a lot of job offers.

## when ('bainhira')

- It was raining <u>when</u> I left work last night.
- When I lived in Brazil, I visited the Amazon.

while ('bainhira, durante')

- My friend listens to music while he works on his computer.
- While you are at university, you should study hard.

# 9.18 'Should' / 'shouldn't'

<u>Should</u> is a modal verb. It is used to give advice and to make recommendations. <u>Should</u> is not as strong as <u>must</u>. Both <u>should</u> and <u>must</u> are always used before another verb; that other verb must be in the infinitive.

- You should speak to the manager.
- You must speak to the manager.
- You shouldn't use your mobile phone when driving.
- You mustn't use your mobile phone when driving.
- = It is a good idea (Diak liu...).
- = There is no alternative (tenki).
- = Polite advice (Diak liu la bele...).
- = Prohibition (La bele).

# 9.19 Using nouns, adjectives and adverbs to describe change

Adjectives describe a noun.



• There has been a <u>rapid increase</u> in the price of oil. (rapid = fast)

Adverbs add information to verbs, adjectives and other adverbs. Often we can form an adverb by adding 'ly' to an adjective. (However, not all words ending in 'ly' are adverbs.)



• The price of oil <u>increased rapidly</u> last month.



• There was a very rapid increase in the price of oil last month.