1 VOCABULARY Weather and travel experience

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So many nice co-workers asking how my vacation was… It wasn't great… 😔

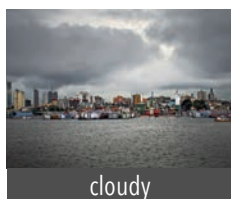**A** WEATHER ▶08-01 Listen. Then listen and repeat.
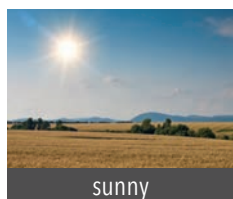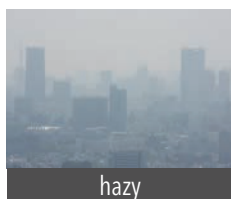
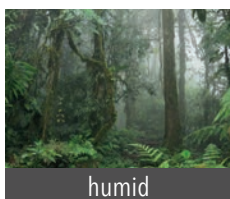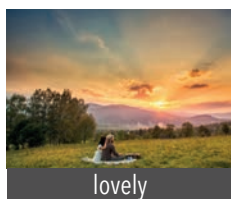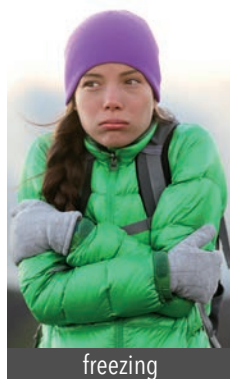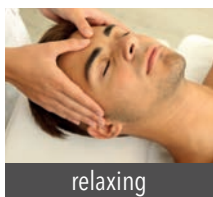| sunny | cloudy | clear | hazy | |
| boiling | dry | humid | lovely | freezing |
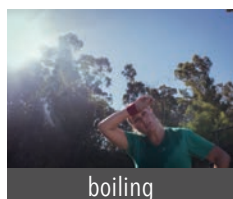
B PAIRS Describe today's weather. Use the words from 1A.

C TRAVEL EXPERIENCE ▶08-02 Listen. Then listen and repeat.
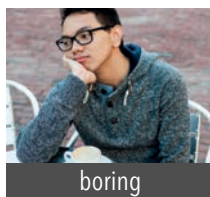

| horrible | relaxing | stressful | exciting | boring |

D PAIRS Which words in 1C are positive? Which are negative? Make two lists.

2 GRAMMAR Simple past with *be*: Review

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Affirmative statements				Negative statements		
Subject	*Be*			**Subject**	*Be + not*	
I	**was**	on vacation last week.		I	**was not**	at work.
We	**were**	at the beach.		We	**were not**	at home.
Questions				**Answers**		
Wh- word	*Be*	**Subject**		**Affirmative**	**Negative**	
	Was	it	fun?	Yes, it **was**.	No, it **was not**.	
	Were	you	in New York?	Yes, we **were**.	No, we **were not**.	
How	**was**	your trip?		It was great!		
Where	**were**	you?		In Central Park.		

Notes
• We almost always use the contractions *wasn't* and *weren't* in speech and informal writing.
• Notice the past tense in sentences with *there + be* and *it + be*.

There were two restaurants in our hotel.   **It was** sunny yesterday
Was there a pool? Yes, **there was**.   **Was it** fun? No, **it wasn't**.

3 PRONUNCIATION

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A ▶08-04 Listen. Notice the pronunciation of *was / wasn't* and *were / weren't*. Then listen and repeat.

The weather was great.   It wasn't humid.

We were away on vacation.   We weren't home.

B ▶08-05 Listen. Circle the word you hear. Check your work with a partner. Then listen and repeat.

1. Our hotel **was / wasn't** very good.
2. We **were / weren't** in Madrid.
3. There **were / weren't** a lot of people on the beach.
4. The food **was / wasn't** good, but I **was / wasn't** hungry.

C PAIRS For each sentence in 3B, change one or two words to make a new sentence.
1. Our hotel was very clean.

4 CONVERSATION

A ▶08-06 Listen or watch. Match the questions and the answers.

___ 1. Where was Rosa yesterday?   a. In London
___ 2. How was Rosa's day yesterday?   b. Not good
___ 3. How was the weather in New York? c. In New York
___ 4. Where was Diego last week?   d. Sunny and clear
___ 5. How was Diego's vacation?   e. Cloudy and freezing
___ 6. How was the weather in London?   f. Lovely

B ▶08-07 Listen or watch. Complete the conversation.

Diego: I _____ on vacation last week.

Rosa: Oh, yeah? _____ you?

Diego: I was in London.

Rosa: And   _____ it?

Diego: Well, the weather _____ horrible! It _____ really cloudy and cold. And everything _____ really stressful. It _____ relaxing at all.

C ▶08-08 Listen and repeat. Then practice with a partner.

D PAIRS Make new conversations. Use these words or your own ideas. Use different names and places.

lovely   sunny and clear
exciting   boring

5 TRY IT YOURSELF

A MAKE IT PERSONAL Describe a place you visited recently. What was it like? How was the weather? Choose three words to describe it and tell your partner.

A: I was in Cartagena in February.
B: Oh, yeah? How was it?
A: It was lovely and relaxing. The weather was sunny and clear. ...

B WALK AROUND Describe the place to other classmates.
Was anyone in the same place? Compare your descriptions.   ☐ I CAN DESCRIBE A PLACE.