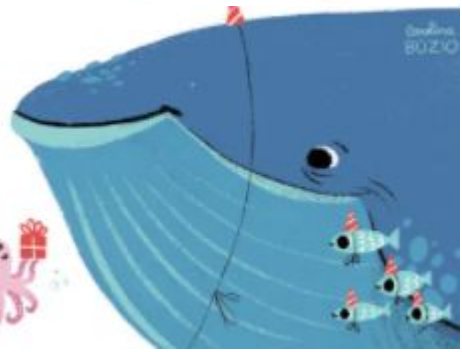




"Have a whale of a time!"

... it means ...

... really enjoy what you are doing.



Hey Mike,

1▶ Greetings 1) ..... California! I'm having the time 2) ..... my life! I've been at Camp Pacific for a week now and I 3) ..... done millions of exciting things.

2▶ So far, I've met 4) ..... lot of interesting people and I've made some new friends! Together we've gone sailing, wave riding 5) ..... water skiing! The beaches are fantastic, so we've spent some time sunbathing, too. We 6) ..... visited Legoland, the famous theme park, and we've been 7) ..... some hair-raising rides! We haven't done any souvenir shopping 8) ....., but there's plenty of time for that.

3▶ I've taken a lot of beautiful pictures to show you when I get back. See you in two weeks. Take care!

Love,  
Janet



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The UK

What is the postcard about? What is the person writing about? The address? Who is the person?

The postcard is about Janet's holiday in California.

California



Приветствие

Тихий океан

До сих пор/пока что

Парусный спорт

Катание на волнах

Катание на водных  
лыжах

Пляж

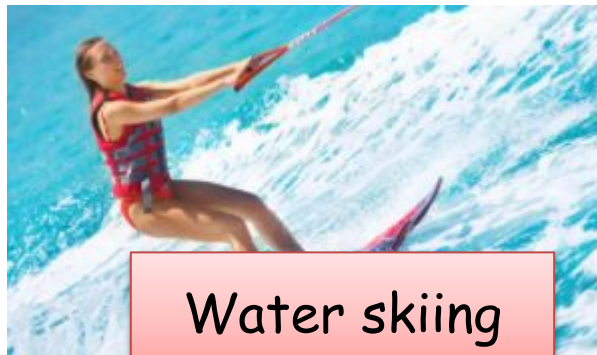
Загорать

Жутко страшный,  
ужасный

Сувенир

Возвращаться

Заботиться

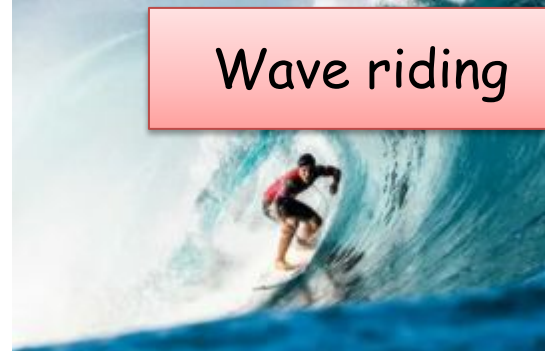


Water skiing

Sailing



Wave riding



To sunbath







*travelling in a boat with sails*

*sth you buy to remind you of a place*

*exciting rides*

*lying in the sun*

*return*

*surfing*

*sth friendly you say when you meet or write to sb*

*standing on a ski while being pulled by a boat*

1. Greetings
2. Millions
3. Sailing
4. Wave riding
5. Water skiing
6. Sunbathing
7. Hair-raising rides
8. Souvenir
9. Get back

*a great number*

Read again and fill in the missing words. Listen and check. Explain the words in bold.

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Love,  
Janet

Opening remarks

Activities

Closing remarks

Edinburgh  
United Kingdom

Match the paragraphs to the headings:  
closing remarks - opening remarks - activities

Find the adjectives in the text that describe the following nouns. Use these phrases in sentences of your own.

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Love,

Planet



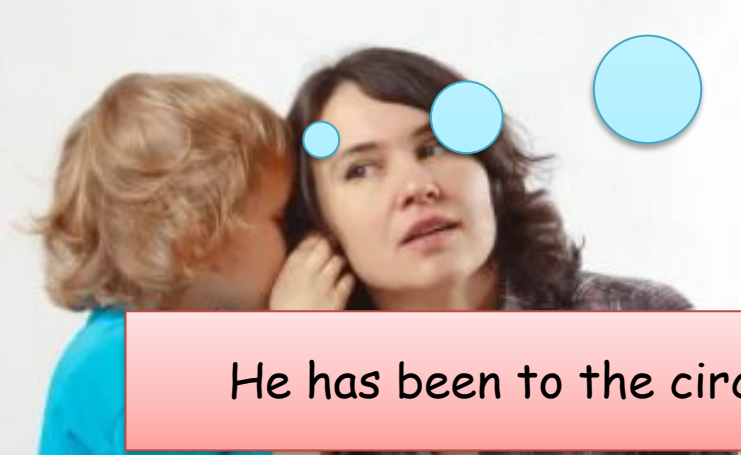
1. **exciting** things
2. **interesting** people
3. **new** friends
4. **fantastic** beaches
5. **famous** theme park
6. **hair-raising** rides
7. **beautiful** pictures

The letter



## has gone / has been

He has gone to the circus (= he's still there)

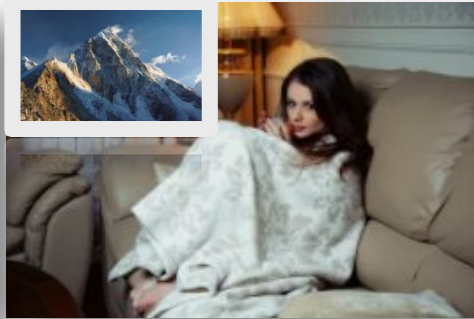


He has been to the circus (= he has already come home)



Read the examples. Then complete the sentences with **has gone** or **has been**.

1. John isn't here. He ..... has gone ..... to the supermarket.
2. She ..... has been ..... to the mountains twice.
3. Lucy ..... has gone ..... to a summer camp. She'll be back in a week.
4. Tony ..... has been ..... to Legoland, but I haven't.



List the activities Janet **has/hasn't done** yet at Camp Pacific. Imagine you are Janet. Act out a telephone conversation.



I've met a lot of friends.



I've gone sailing.



I haven't done any souvenir shopping yet.

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The letter

## Writing (a postcard)

You are spending a week at a holiday resort. Write a postcard to your English penfriend. Write about where you are, what you have done so far and if you like it there.



Hi Sally,

Greetings from Santorini! I'm having a whale of a time. I've been here for a week now and I really like it.

So far I've met lots of interesting people and I've made some new friends. I've also been swimming and I've even tried water-skiing! My brother and I have been to the volcano site too! It was amazing.

I've taken lots of pictures to show you when I get back! See you soon.

Love,  
Emma

