

> Grammar

1 Complete the sentences using the simple past. [8 points]

1. She (take) her vacation took in Los Angeles.
2. Last week, he (go) _____ to the movies three times.
3. They (not / watch) _____ their favorite TV show last night.
4. Ken (not /study) _____ for the test over the weekend.
5. When Sally was in Europe, she (visit) _____ five different countries.
6. We (speak) _____ English every day on our trip to Toronto.
7. He (not / have) _____ a good time at the party yesterday.
8. They (not / understand) _____ what we were saying.

2 Write questions in the simple past. [10 points]

1. you / write / a report / about the students / in our school
Did you write a report about the students in our school ?
2. she / take / some photographs / of the garden
_____?
3. They / play / the piano / at the school party
_____?
4. he / know / about / the test today
_____?
5. why / they / come / late for class
_____?

3 Complete the sentences in the past perfect. [5 points]

1. They were late because they (forget) *had forgotten* about the meeting.
2. We were hungry because we (not have) _____ anything to eat for lunch.
3. She didn't pass the test because she (not study) _____ very hard.

4. I (meet) _____ them two weeks before at a party.
5. He was bored because he (see) _____ the movie twice.

4 Write questions. Use the simple past and the past perfect. [16 points]

1. When / you / go / to Asia / you / be / to Japan / before

2. he / finish / dinner / when / we / call

3. she / make / a decision / before / he / arrive / at the meeting

4. the meeting / start / when / the director / tell / everyone / the news

> Vocabulary

5 Complete the sentences with the words in the box. [6 points]

<i>identity</i>	<i>festival</i>	<i>meditation</i>
<i>cultures</i>	<i>generation</i>	<i>turban</i>

1. Indian and British cultures are rather formal.
2. Diwali is a very important Hindu _____.
3. It can be extremely difficult for immigrants to maintain their cultural _____.
4. The attitudes of first _____ immigrants and their children can be quite different.
5. It's really common for Sikh men to wear a _____.
6. It's pretty common for Buddhists to practice _____.

> Communication

6 Answer the questions about yourself.
[10 points]

1. What city are you from?

2. Where is your family from originally?

3. When did they first come to your country?

4. Does anyone in your family speak another language?

5. Do you have any relatives in other countries?

> Reading

7 Read the text. Write T for true or F for false
[5 points]

1. T Italians think they are more normal than other people.
2. Some people think Italians are too emotional.
3. Some people find Japanese to be bad-mannered.
4. Many people find Americans to be too formal.
5. According to the article, we have to learn to be more emotional if we want world peace.

Colliding Cultures

There are few countries in the world where people do not believe that they are the best, the most intelligent, or at least the most normal. If we each consider ourselves “normal,” then it must mean that we consider everyone else to be strange! This is clearly shown in how one nation thinks about another.

For example, for some, Italians are extremely emotional because they speak loudly and use their arms a lot when talking. To others, Japanese may appear rather cold because they have a very formal culture. Then again, many people think that Americans are quite bad-mannered because they have an extremely informal culture! Italians, however, are often more likely to criticize themselves before others. That is part of their culture. But compared to other cultures, they do consider themselves to be more “normal.” How tolerant we will need to become if we are to live happily and peacefully in the world today!

Adapted from *When Cultures Collide* by Richard D. Lewis

> Writing

8 Use the information in the chart to write a short biography about the singer, Shakira.
[10 points]

Name	Shakira Isabel Mebarak Ripoll
Professional name	Shakira
Country of origin	Colombia
Birthdate	February 2, 1977
Important events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • when 2, brother killed in motorcycle accident • in second grade, teacher tells her she sings like a goat!
Accomplishments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at 4, father takes her to restaurant where she hears Middle Eastern music and sees bellydancing • first solo CD, at 14, sells only 1,000 copies, but now an international star who has sold over 50 million CDs