Lesson 1: What’s San Salvador like?

Activity 1

Listen to the conversation between Astrid and her dad as they talk about where to go on their next vacation. Then answer the questions below.

1. Where does Astrid want to go on her next vacation?

2. What does Astrid’s dad propose?

3. Where are they going to go?

4. Does Astrid’s dad want to go to El Pital?

5. Who does Astrid want to invite?

Activity 2

Answer the following questions with your own information.

1. When do tourists visit El Salvador more frequently?

2. In your opinion, is El Trifinio a good place for tourists to visit?

3. Where is the Montecristo-Trifinio National Park located?

4. Which places can you mention when talking about ecotourism in El Salvador?

5. Is Perkin a nice place to visit for tourists?
Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

1. Our country ____________ (have) a lot of beautiful touristic places.
2. It ____________ (not rain) here in December and January.
3. My friends ____________ (want) to climb The Izalco Volcano, but I prefer to go swimming today.
4. ____________ everybody ____________ (like) pupusas in El Salvador?
5. Carlos usually ____________ (go) to the mountains for vacation.
6. She ____________ (love) going to the theater and reading books.
7. ____________ he ____________ (live) in San Salvador or in Santa Ana?
8. My sister ____________ (watch) international news only.
9. Which ingredients ____________ you ____________ (need) to prepare tamales?
10. José ____________ (love) going to the gym every day.
11. My brother in law ____________ (own) a restaurant.
12. _______ I _______ to move out? (have, interrogative)
13. They ____________ (go) to Nahuizalco to buy Crafts.

Complete the following sentences with the words given below:

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1. Izalco is the name of a ____________ in Sonsonate.
2. Guija is a ____________ located in Santa Ana.
3. Apaneca is a ____________ located in Ahuachapán, El Salvador.
4. The Hilton is a ____________ in San Salvador.
5. Tamales are one example of typical ____________ in El Salvador.
Lesson 2: What are the most interesting festivals in El Salvador?

1 Activity

Read the following conversation.

A: Hi, Bob! Let’s make plans for the weekend.
B: What! It’s only Monday! We’re going to work on the weekend if we don’t finish our job.
A: We’re going to finish it on Friday. I’m sure about this. Let’s make plans for the weekend.
B: What would you like to do, and who would you like to invite?
A: Let’s go to Los Chorros de la Calera. It’s about 30 minutes away from Juayúa.
B: I don’t know that place.
A: That’s why we’re going to go there. Let’s invite Claudia and Sonia. We can have lunch at the food festival.
B: That sounds good, but what time are we going to start working?
A: I’m already working!

Answer the questions according to the previous conversation.

1. What does Frank want to do?

2. What does Bob think?

3. Where are Frank, Bob and their friends going to go?

4. Who are they going to invite?

5. Where are they going to have lunch?

2 Answer the following questions with your own information.

1. What do Salvadorans celebrate the first week of August?

2. When is Independence Day in El Salvador celebrated?

3. What do Salvadorans celebrate on May 1st?

4. What do people eat for New Year’s Day?

5. What do Salvadoran people do for Easter vacation?
**Activity**

Complete the following questions with a Wh-word.

1. A: ____________ are some common typical foods in El Salvador?
   B: Pupusas and tamales.

2. A: ____________ are we going to eat?
   B: Fried yucca, beans soup, cheese and tortillas.

3. A: ____________ are you going to go camping?
   B: By the end of the month.

4. A: ____________ are we going to the beach?
   B: We’re going by bus.

5. A: ____________ are we going to go to Los Chorros and not to Las Tunas?
   B: Because the trip to Las Tunas takes too long, and I want to come back today.

6. A: ____________ is going to take us to Balboa Park?
   B: Carlos's going to take us there.

**Activity**

Circle the letter that completes each question.

1. When ____ people from San Miguel celebrate the day of the "Reina de la Paz"?
   A. don’t
   B. does
   C. do
   D. doesn’t

2. Why ____ Roberto want to go to see the monuments with us?
   A. don’t
   B. does
   C. do
   D. doesn’t

3. Who ____ know the colors of our flag?
   A. don’t
   B. does
   C. do
   D. doesn’t

4. Which national celebration ____ you enjoy most?
   A. don’t
   B. does
   C. do
   D. doesn’t

5. What ____ you experience when you listen to music from your country?
   A. don’t
   B. does
   C. do
   D. doesn’t

**Activity**

Answer the following questions with your own information.

1. Have you heard about the Talciguines in Texistepeque?
   ________________________________

2. Do you like to go to food festivals?
   ________________________________

3. Can you identify the flags of the Central American countries?
   ________________________________

4. What is in the coat of arms of El Salvador?
   ________________________________
Lesson 3: What’s your favorite food?

Read the following conversation.

A: Mom, why don’t we go out to eat something this afternoon?
B: If you give me a good reason to go, we’ll probably go, Jenny.
A: I feel like eating something sweet and delicious.
B: What’s something sweet and delicious for you? I thought you liked my food.
A: I do but I think it’s time to have something different.
B: Such as what?
A: We can go to Los Morritos and have some yucca and egg fritters with syrup.
B: Ok. I’m going to ask for some atol and rice pudding.
A: Great! Let’s invite dad!

Answer the questions according to the previous conversation.

1. What does Jenny want to do this afternoon?

2. What does Jenny want to eat?

3. Does Jenny like her mother’s food?

4. Where does Jenny want to go?

5. What’s Jenny going to eat? What about her mother?

Answer the following questions with your own information.

1. Do you like yucca fritters with syrup?

2. What do you prefer, pumpkin in syrup or bread pudding?

3. Do you usually have dessert after dinner?

4. Do you prefer vegetables or fruit?

5. Can you prepare typical food from El Salvador?

Write corresponding questions to the following answers.

1. ____________________________?
I prefer it roasted.

2. ____________________________?
I’d like some pasta and some fresh salad, please.

3. ____________________________?
No, I don’t eat beef. I’m a vegetarian.

4. ____________________________?
I usually eat chicken and fish with rice or some salad.
Lesson 4: Would you like to learn about your hometown’s historical events?

1 Activity

Read the following conversation.

A: Hi, Delmy!
B: Hi, Tomas! I need your help. Do you know anything about El Salvador’s history?
A: Of course I do! What’s wrong? You look desperate!
B: I am. I have an exam next week, and the exam is a report about the events related with the independence of El Salvador.
A: Don’t worry. It’s not difficult. We can look for the information on the internet. We can read books and also visit some museums. Let’s start with what we know.
B: I only know that El Salvador, as well as the other Central American provinces, became independent from Spain in 1821.
A: Right! I know that El Salvador resisted joining with Mexico in 1822.
B: Do you know what Manuel José Arce’s role in the independence process was?
A: I don’t really remember. We will have to find it out.

Answer the questions according to the previous conversation.

1. What’s Delmy asking Tomas for?

2. What does she have next week?

3. What does Tomas think about Delmy’s homework assignment?

4. What does Delmy know about El Salvador’s Independence?

5. What does Tomas know about El Salvador and Mexico?

6. Do they know about Manuel José Arce’s role in the independence process?

2 Activity

Answer the following questions.

1. When did the Ilamatepec Volcano erupt?

2. How many people were killed in the massive earthquakes of 2001?

3. Which was the first Central American country to implement a regional free trade agreement with the USA?

4. When did El Salvador gain independence from Spain?

5. Why was the capital city of El Salvador moved to Santa Tecla in 1917?
Lesson 5: What do you do at home?

1. **Activity**

*Read the following conversation.*

A: Hi, Deborah!

B: Hi, Daniel! Would you like to go to the San Andrés ruins with me?

A: Why do you want to go there?

B: To tell you the truth, I have a homework assignment from my history class. I have to write a report about one archaeological site from our country.

A: Then let’s go! And what does this report include?

B: Well, it includes a description of the place, the location, and the things one can see there.

A: I know it’s located in Santa Ana and that it has a site museum. You know it’s near Joya de Cerén, right? We can go to the two places, and then you can include both places in your report.

B: That’s a good idea! I’ll pick you up at 7:30 a.m. tomorrow morning.

*Answer the questions according to the previous conversation.*

1. Where does Deborah want to go?

2. Why does Deborah want to go there?

3. Does Daniel accept Deborah’s invitation?

4. What does Daniel suggest?

5. What does Deborah think about Daniel’s suggestion?

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2. **Activity**

*Answer the following questions with your own information.*

1. Which places did your parents use to take you on vacation when you were in primary school?

2. What did you use to do with your friends on weekends when you were around 12 years old?

3. Did you use to go out in the evenings when you were 15 years old?

4. What kind of music did you use to listen to when you were a teenager?

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Write the correct form of the verbs in parentheses.

1. The ideas you __________________ (write) in the letter were not clear.
2. You __________________ (spend) all the money on food. We don’t have money to buy the drinks now.
3. Claudia __________________ (get) a scholarship to study in Spain.
4. I stayed home, but my parents __________________ (go) to Guatemala on vacation.
5. My teacher __________________ (see) me at the restaurant last night. I can’t tell her that I was sick.
6. My boyfriend and I __________________ (make) some yucca fritters and syrup yesterday. They were good.
7. When I tasted those tamales, I __________________ (find) out she wasn’t a good cook.
8. Sidney came early to the meeting, but he __________________ (leave) about half an hour earlier.
9. No, I didn’t grow up in the city. I __________________ (grow) up in the countryside.
10. I __________________ (understand) you were going to bring some pupusas. Why did you bring yucca fritters?
11. We __________ (are) cleaning and moving furniture to the attic yesterday.
12. Those kids __________ (cry) for hours until their mom picked up at school.

Write corresponding questions to the following answers.

1. __________________?
   __________________
   No, I didn’t.
2. __________________?
   __________________
   She ordered a fish burger.
3. __________________?
   __________________
   She said she wasn’t hungry.
4. __________________?
   __________________
   Yes, we did.

Answer the following questions with your own information.

1. For you, what’s one of the most interesting history topics about El Salvador?
   __________________
   __________________
2. What makes this topic one of the most interesting?
   __________________
   __________________
3. Where can someone find information about this topic?
   __________________
   __________________
4. Do you know people who were part of this event?
   __________________
   __________________