

My Local Library

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At the library, I can use the computer for free. After my class, I stop in the reference section and read a newspaper from my country for a few minutes.

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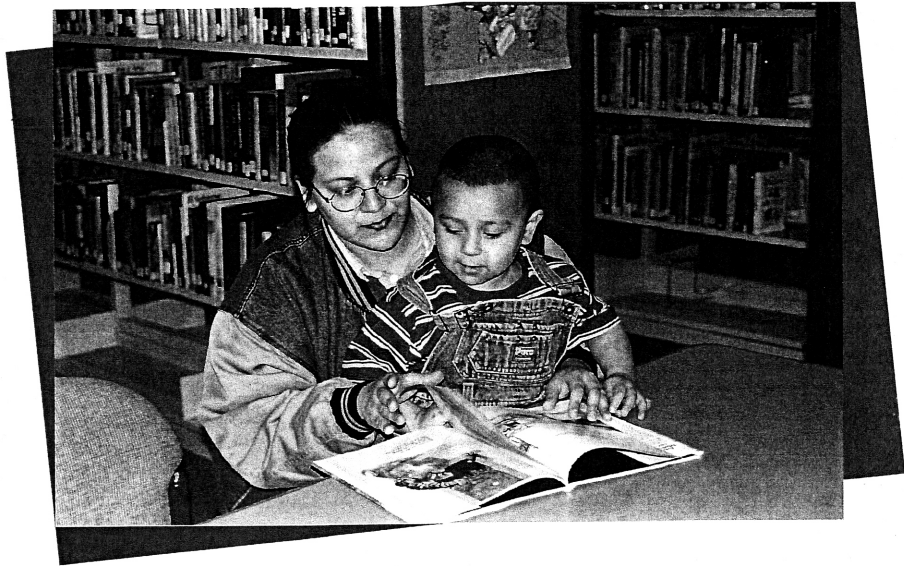


B Circle *True or False*.

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| 1. He drives to the library. | True | <input checked="" type="radio"/> False |
| 2. His son has a library card. | True | False |
| 3. His son likes books about animals. | True | False |
| 4. They can borrow videos for a month. | True | False |
| 5. He stays with his son at Story Time. | True | False |
| 6. He is learning how to use a computer. | True | False |
| 7. He has a computer at home. | True | False |
| 8. Newspapers are in the reference section. | True | False |
| 9. He likes to read the news from his country. | True | False |

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A. What can you do at the library?

- 1. I can borrow books.
- 2. I can borrow videos.
- 3. I can do my homework in the library.
- 4. I can buy magazines.
- 5. I can use the Internet.
- 6. I can read books to my children.
- 7. I can read the newspaper.
- 8. I can leave my child for the day.
- 9. I can get a library card.

I live in Oakland, California. I am from China, and there are many people from China in my neighborhood. I live in an apartment near the town. There are many Chinese stores on my street. There is a Chinese grocery store across from my apartment building. I can buy my favorite kinds of Chinese fruit, such as lichee



and duran. Every Friday I buy the Chinese newspapers there. There is a good video store on the corner. I can rent movies from the United States and from China. There are many Chinese restaurants. Some of the restaurants have very good food. There is a bank next to my apartment building. The tellers speak English and Chinese. My street is always busy, but on Saturday and Sunday, it is very busy.

B. Name six buildings or stores in your neighborhood.

_____	_____
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C. Write about your neighborhood.

I live in _____, _____. I live
in a **house** / **an apartment** on _____ Street. My neighborhood
is quiet / busy.

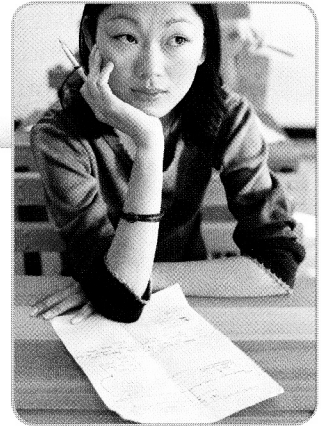
A Read the composition.

A Dream Vacation

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English IV



If I have free time and money, I will take my dream vacation. I would like to visit four South American cities: Lima and Cuzco in Peru, Buenos Aires in Argentina, and Rio de Janeiro in Brazil. Before I start my vacation, I might take a Spanish course. Also, I could ask some of my South American classmates to give me some advice. I want to know the best time to visit, too.

First, I will go to Peru. I will fly to the capital city, Lima. I may spend a few days visiting the museums, looking at the architecture, and eating the fresh seafood. After a few days, I will go to Cuzco to prepare for a trip to see the ruins of Machu Picchu. I hear that it is one of the most interesting archaeological sites in the world. When I get back to Cuzco, I might buy some souvenirs for my family and friends.

Then, I will travel to Buenos Aires, Argentina. I am taking dance lessons now, so I might take a tango class in Buenos Aires. I heard that Buenos Aires is the home of the tango. I would also like to visit a ranch and go horseback riding. I'm sure that I will eat some delicious Argentine barbecue.

Finally, I will fly to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, for my last stop. I'm going to visit a samba school and watch the students dance the samba. I might take a samba class. I want to relax on the famous Copacabana Beach, eat Brazilian barbecue, and see the museums. I hear that it is a very exciting city. This will be a great vacation.

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