

I. READING

Whale-watching in Newfoundland, Canada

I was swimming in cold, dark water and looking straight into the eye of a whale. The whale was less than 100 metres away and seemed as large as a cathedral. All I could hear was the sound of my heart beating. It was the experience of a lifetime.

I went whale-watching in Bay Bulls, about fifty kilometres south of St John's, which is the capital of the island of Newfoundland, the most easterly point of North America. Bay Bulls is no further north than Paris is, but feels much colder thanks to the winds which blow in from the Arctic. Twenty-two different kinds of whale swim through the rich feeding waters along the island's coast, making Newfoundland one of the best places in the world to look for these huge creatures. This means that in Bay Bulls you can expect to see greater numbers of whales than sightseeing boats. I sailed with Wildland Tours and my guide was the naturalist, David Snow. Wildland Tours always makes sure you're accompanied by a local expert like him so you don't miss anything the island has to offer.

As we got in our boat, David said, 'Whales are gentle and curious animals. They like to have a good look at us but if we're not in their way, they don't worry about us.' So as not to stress the whales or other wildlife, Wildland Tours limits the size of its tourist groups and only uses small boats. We watched for signs of whales and then headed towards them. David can recognize the type of whale even from a great distance. 'They're minke,' he said, pointing to a spot on the horizon. I asked him if they'd get close enough for me to reach out and feel their skin. 'It has been known, but I wouldn't recommend you to try it,' he said. David showed me how to dive into the water, warning me to stay close to our boat. And then it happened. A huge shadow of blue-black turned and a great mountain lifted from the sea, looked straight at me, and then fell beneath the waves again. David told me the whale looked at me for just a second, but it seemed an age.

Sarah Tucker

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1. The capital of Newfoundland is

- ☐ A) Bay Bulls. ☒ Б) St John's.
☒ B) north of Bay Bulls. ☐ Г) south of Bay Bulls.

2. Whales are animals.

- ☒ A) nosy ☒ Б) gentle
☐ B) violent ☒ Г) enormous

3. Bay Bulls as Paris.

- ☒ A) is situated as far north
☐ Б) has the same kind of weather
☐ B) is as big city
☒ Г) is not as warm

4. Newfoundland is good for whale-watching because whales

- ☐ A) frightened most people.
☐ Б) are afraid of people.
☒ B) can find a lot of food there.
☐ Г) drive out other wildlife.

5. David Snow

- ☒ A) is a naturalist. ☒ Б) was Sarah's guide.
☒ B) is a local expert. ☒ Г) knows a lot about whales.

6. Sarah Tucker

- ☒ A) was able to see a whale up close.
☒ Б) felt excited.
☒ B) dived into cold water.
☐ Г) touched whale's skin.

7. Choose the true sentences.

- ☐ A) Whales become anxious when people approach them in small boats.
☐ Б) In Bay Bulls, there are often fewer whales than tour boats in the water.
☒ B) Davis Snow advises tourists against touching the whales.
☒ Г) On a Wildland Tours trip, tourists are likely to find what they've gone to see.

II. COMMUNICATION

8. A: Could I ask you something?

B:

- ☒ A) Please do.
☒ Б) By all means.
☐ B) I'm sorry to hear that.
☒ Г) Certainly.

9. A: I feel exhausted.

B:

- ☒ A) Why don't you have a nap?
☐ Б) I hope you are right.
☒ B) I'd take a long sleep if I were you.
☐ Г) How are you today?

10. A: Could you help me with my essay?

B:

- ☐ A) That's a good idea.
☐ Б) I'd rather do it myself.
☒ B) Yes, of course.
☒ Г) Sure, no problem.

11. A: What was your skiing camp like?

B:

- ☐ A) It was in January.
☒ Б) Boring. The weather was awful.
☐ B) I like skiing.
☒ Г) Great! I learnt a lot.

12. A: I've stained your blouse. I'm so sorry.

B:

- ☒ A) Never mind.
☒ Б) That's all right.
☐ В) I don't think so.
☒ Г) It doesn't matter.

13. A: How much is admission to the museum?

B:

- ☒ A) It's one pound for children.
☐ Б) It's open to 5 p.m.
☐ В) It's 10% off.
☒ Г) It's free of charge.

III. VOCABULARY

14. Mrs Weir works in an office. She's

- ☒ A) an accountant. ☐ Б) a chef.
☒ В) a secretary. ☐ Г) a waitress.

15. We usually a lot of photos while we are on holiday.

- ☐ A) do ☐ Б) make ☐ В) ride ☒ Г) take

16. Does the film have? We can't understand Russian.

- ☐ A) soundtracks ☒ Б) subtitles
☐ В) tunes ☐ Г) reviews

17. Cathy likes playing the in her free time.



- ☒ A) recorder ☐ Б) harmonica
☐ В) trombone ☐ Г) French horn

18. I need a of bread. Could you bring me one?

- ☐ A) clove ☐ Б) pinch
☒ В) slice ☒ Г) loaf

19. The is a reptile.

- ☒ A) crocodile ☒ Б) tortoise
☐ В) hawk ☒ Г) lizard

20. When a volcano erupts, lots of comes out of its crater.

- ☒ A) harmful gas ☐ Б) hail
☒ В) hot lava ☒ Г) ash

21. You can admire in the United States of America.

- ☐ A) Great Slave Lake
☒ Б) Mount Rushmore National Memorial
☐ В) Stonehenge
☒ Г) Death Valley

IV. GRAMMAR

22. Mr Clark for the same company for twenty-five years.

- ☐ A) is working
☐ Б) works
☒ В) has been working
☒ Г) has worked

23. My history project this week.

- ☒ A) might be finished
☒ Б) will be finished
☒ В) has to be finished
☐ Г) will finish

24. Let's begin

- ☐ A) play. ☒ Б) to play.
☐ В) be playing. ☒ Г) playing.

25. There are drifts on the roads because it all night.

- ☐ A) was snowing
☐ Б) snowed
☒ В) has been snowing
☐ Г) has snowed

26. Because of the weather conditions, the match has been

- ☒ A) put off for the next day.
☐ Б) put up for tomorrow.
☒ В) called off.
☐ Г) taken away.

27. He is probably too shy to make a speech at this meeting. He too shy to make a speech at this meeting.

- ☒ A) might be ☒ Б) could be
☐ В) must be ☒ Г) may be

28. This is the gold bracelet Amanda got for her birthday.

- ☒ A) — ☒ Б) that
☒ В) which ☐ Г) whose

29. Look! Katya is talking your boyfriend.

- ☐ A) of ☒ Б) with ☐ В) at ☒ Г) to

30. If Mrs Evans had more money, she buy a new car this year.

- ☒ A) would ☐ Б) will
☒ В) could ☒ Г) might