GOING BACK IN TIME

LESSON 1

ACTIVITY A.

• Fill in the box. [You may use the Appendix - Irregular Verbs (p.162) for help]

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• Learn new things about some famous people. Use some of the verbs in the box in the Past tense to complete the following sentences. You may use some of the verbs more than once.

2. Marie Curie .......................... Polish. She ........................... in 1867. She .......... in Poland and also in France, where she ............... Pierre Curie, who later ................. her husband.
3. Nikos Kazantzakis ............... a Greek writer from Crete. He ............... a lot of books and ........................ popular all over the world.
4. Picasso ......................... a Spanish artist. He ....................... a lot of paintings. His most popular painting is “Guernica”. On the other hand, Leonardo da Vinci ...................... Italian.
He .......................... an artist and a scientist. He ..........................
“The Mona Lisa” (La Gioconda). Leonardo ........................…… a lot of
things about the human body, as he ........................ very good at anatomy,
that’s why his paintings ........................ unique and people think he
........................…… a genius.

5. Romeo and Juliet ........................ each other a lot, but their families
.............. each other, so at the end of the play Romeo and Juliet
.............. themselves as they could not be together.

ACTIVITY B.

• Read the movie treatment of a famous Shakespeare play. What’s the name of the play?
The Montagues and the Capulets were the two most important rival street gangs in Los
Angeles. Eminem was a Montague, and Jennifer Lopez was a Capulet. One day they met
at a dinner party and fell in love. But when they found out that they were members of
rival gangs, they realized that they had to keep their relationship a secret. It was Saturday
night and Eminem was on his way home when he met Tobey Maguire, who was a
Capulet. They got into a fight, and Eminem killed Maguire. Eminem had no choice but to
leave town, leaving Jennifer behind .........................

(Adapted from “It’s Magazine”, 2003)

• Now write a modern-day movie treatment for Shakespeare’s Hamlet. Use the information
below to help you. Your scenario may use the clues provided in the box or your own ideas
and imaginative spirit.

Hamlet was the son of King Hamlet of Denmark. King Hamlet (his father) died only a few
months before the start of the play. After King Hamlet’s death, his brother, Claudius,
became king and married King Hamlet’s widow, Gertrude. Young Hamlet was worried
about the situation. He thought Claudius killed his father in order to become King himself.
One night, Hamlet saw his dead father’s ghost, who told him that Claudius indeed
murdered him. Hamlet decided to take revenge on his father’s murder and …

.............................................. was the son of .............................................., a rich businessman and
manager of a successful computer company .............................................. died only a
few months before the start of the play. After .............................................. death,
his brother, .............................................., became the manager of the company himself and
married .............................................. widow, ..............................................
Young .............................. was worried about ..............................................
..........................................................
ACTIVITY C.

What do you know about other famous people? Use the information in Lesson 1 and any other kind of books you may think of to match the following sentences.

1. The Wright brothers invented
2. Alexander Fleming discovered
3. Marilyn Monroe
4. Mother Teresa, a Catholic nun,
5. Kostis Palamas
6. Albert Einstein was the scientist who
7. Joan of Arc
8. Maria Callas
9. Konstantinos Paleologos was
10. Odysseas Elistis and George Seferis were the two Greek poets that

ACTIVITY D.

Use the words in the box to fill in the sentences.

1. Shakespeare was a British ................................ He wrote ................................ and .......................................................... “Hamlet” and “Romeo and Juliet” are two of his most ...................................................... plays.
2. Nadine learnt a lot about Shakespeare in her ......................... class.
3. Nadine wants Kostas to do her a .............................. She wants him to send her some information about Greek writers, ........................................ or .................................
4. Konstantinos Kavafis was a Greek ....................... who lived in Alexandria, Egypt.
5. Greece and Italy are ............................................. countries.

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LESSON 2

**ACTIVITY A.**

The following conversation takes place at a Police Station in New York. There was a burglary at a flat in New York two days ago. The burglar stole a valuable piece of jewellery that belonged to the owner of the flat, Mrs Kate Bullock. A policeman is interrogating Mrs Annie Carter, who is a neighbour, about the burglary. Fill in the policeman’s questions.

Policeman: Well, Mrs Carter, I need to ask you some questions about the night of 8th June. Is that OK?

Mrs Carter: Yes, of course. What would you like to know?

Policeman: ................................................................. ?

Mrs Carter: I was at home.

Policeman: ................................................................. ?

Mrs Carter: No, I’m afraid I was alone.

Policeman: ................................................................. ?

Mrs Carter: Well, I got home at about seven in the evening.

Policeman: ................................................................. ?

Mrs Carter: No, I didn’t hear anything strange. You see, I always listen to music when I’m at home.

Policeman: I see. ......................................................... ................................................................. ?

Mrs Carter: No, I didn’t see Mrs Bullock that night. I thought she was out, having dinner with friends.

Policeman: ................................................................. ................................................................. ?

Mrs Carter: Well, yes, she told me something was missing from her apartment, but I had no idea of how valuable that necklace was. I wish I could be of more help, but ......

Policeman: Never mind, Mrs Carter. Thank you for your time. Enjoy your afternoon. But don’t hesitate to call me in case you remember something.
**ACTIVITY B.**

- Read about the Minotaur. Some sentences are missing from this myth. Read the ones that follow and decide where they should go.

**The Minotaur’s maze.**

There are many strange creatures in the Greek myths. One of them is the Minotaur, which had the body of a man and the head of a bull. Every year seven youths and seven maidens were sent into the maze and starved to death, or were eaten by the Minotaur. No-one had ever escaped. When he arrived at Knossos the king’s daughter Ariadne fell in love with him and decided to help him. Theseus found the Minotaur and killed him with his sword. Then he followed the trail made by the string. Soon, he found the way out of the maze and back to Ariadne, who waited for him.


a. She gave him a large ball of string, which he unwound as he went into the maze.
b. One year the hero Theseus offered to be one of the seven.
c. The Minotaur lived in a huge maze at Knossos on the island of Crete.

**ACTIVITY C.**

*Here is Theseus with the Minotaur in the maze, but where is the string to show him how to get out? See if you can help him find the way by drawing in the correct path.*
ACTIVITY D.

Now write about any myth from Greek mythology you like. Then read your stories to your classmates, so you can all learn more about the myths of Ancient Greece.

ACTIVITY E.

Write the missing questions or answers.

1. ..........................................................................................  ? He was born in 1564.
2. What did Marie Curie discover? .................................................................
3. .................................................................................................  ?
   No, he wasn’t. Palamas was a poet.
4. .................................................................................................  ?
   He discovered America in 1492.
5. Who was Doménikos Theotokópoulos?
   .................................................................................................
6. .................................................................................................  ?
   The battles took place in Minor Asia and Asia.
7. .................................................................................................  ?
   He died in 323BC.
8. Did Leonardo da Vinci paint “Guernica”? 
   .................................................................................................
10. .................................................................................................  ?
   Yes, she was. Everybody liked her because she was an excellent opera singer.