

PLACEMENT TEST AUDIOSCRIPT

1 | AT THE COLD CUT CAFÉ

- ALICE:** Is this the only café around here? It seems so unfriendly. Where are the employees? Who is working? Let's go somewhere else.
- JOANNE:** Wait. I think that guy over there is a waiter. . . . Is he coming this way?
- ALICE:** Yeah, he sees us.
- WAITER:** Welcome to the Cold Cut Café. Follow me. . . . Here are your menus. Let me know when you're ready.
- JOANNE:** OK. These chairs are so uncomfortable. And it's so cold in here. Look, you're shaking. Excuse me! Can you turn up the heat, please? We're really cold.
- WAITER:** Sorry, our heater isn't working.
- ALICE:** You know, this part of Vancouver needs a good café. Let's start our own café, where people can be comfortable! We can call it the Comfort Café!
- JOANNE:** That's a great idea!

2 | THE BIG IDEA

- ANDY:** Look at all that wood left over from building the house. They shouldn't throw it out like that. Hey, we should use it for something.
- TAYLOR:** I know! Can we make a treehouse out of that kind of wood?
- ANDY:** I think so. Actually, that's a great idea! Should we build it in the tree by the fence?
- TAYLOR:** I don't know if Mom and Dad will let us. Let's go ask Dad. We can convince him.
- ANDY:** OK. . . . Dad!
- MOM:** Could you please shut the door?
- ANDY:** Sorry, Mom. Dad! May we build a treehouse in the tree by the fence, please?
- DAD:** Well, a treehouse sounds like a good idea. But there's one problem. The tree by the fence won't be able to hold the weight of a treehouse.
- TAYLOR:** Could we please put it in a different tree then?
- DAD:** Sure. You should build it in the tree on the side of the house. That one can hold the weight.
- ANDY:** Thanks Dad! This is going to be great.
- DAD:** I think so, too. I always wanted a treehouse when I was a kid, but I couldn't have one.

3 | AN INTRODUCTION TO NEW ZEALAND

New Zealand is a small country that has geographic, political, economic, and cultural features that make it unique. The two islands of New Zealand, which resulted from volcanic activity in the South Pacific Ocean, have lush farmland and beautiful landscapes.

Despite its relatively small size, New Zealand has established its own position in global affairs. For example, New Zealand doesn't allow any ships that carry nuclear weapons to visit its ports. Ships that use nuclear energy are not welcome either.

In addition, New Zealand has been a strong advocate of the United Nations, which is an organization that tries to resolve conflicts around the world. New Zealand also supports the World Trade Organization, which works to break down international trade barriers. The products which New Zealand sells in international markets are primarily agricultural ones such as milk, lamb, and beef.