

Structures

1. Discussing past situations and actions when the time of the situation/action isn't important:
 - I've **finished** the job.
 - I've **bought** a new car.
2. Talking about things you've done before, although it's not important to say when you did them:
 - I've seen this movie **before**.
 - I've used this software **before**.
3. Talking about trips to places you went to and returned from:
 - I've **been to** Madras.
 - I've **been to** the Sahara Desert.
4. Saying that someone has left to go to a place but hasn't returned:
 - She's **gone to** Beijing on business.
 - They've **gone to** the supermarket.
5. Talking about things you have/haven't done in your whole life:
 - **Have** you **ever** been to Thailand?
 - Yes, I've been there.
 - No, I've **never** been there.

Reading 3.1

3.1 Reading

BOOK REVIEW

100 Things to Do Before You Die

by Dave Freeman and Neil Tépica

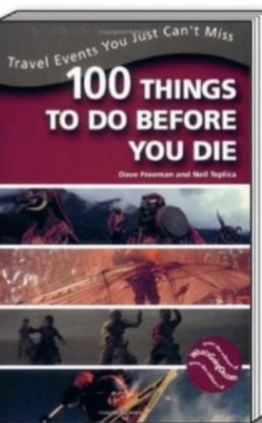
Have you walked through fire before? Have you watched a million butterflies in the sky? Have you ever jumped into a cold bog and swum through the mud with dozens of other crazy

bathers? If you answered "yes" to two or more of these questions, it's certainly because you've read the classic travel book *100 Things to Do Before You Die*, and have done some of the unique things and been to some of the amazing places in it.

The book gives 100 examples of the most spectacular and eccentric experiences you can have on

earth. It also tells you how to organize the adventures, with information on where, when and how to go to the places, in 49 different countries.

The list of 100 includes: the Sanja Matsuri Music Festival in Japan, the *Marathon des Sables* (Marathon of the Sands) – a six-day "ultramathon" (264 kilometers/156 miles) in the Moroccan



desert, the Monarch butterfly migration in Mexico, the World Bog Snorkeling Championships in Wales (UK) and the Anastenaria Fire Walking Ceremony in Greece.

3.1 Follow-up

Look at the sentences about experiences from the book review in Reading 3.1. Complete them using the correct forms of the words

- 1 I've _____ *100 Things to Do Before You Die. (read)*
- 2 I've _____ in the mud in a Welsh bog. (*swim*)
- 3 I've _____ across the desert in Morocco. (*run*)
- 4 I've _____ the Monarch butterfly migration in Mexico. (*see*)
- 5 I've _____ to the Anastenaria Fire Walking Ceremony in Greece. (*be*)

Practice Exercise 1

Audio link: <https://www.inlingua.com/audios>

3.1 Listening (Track 09)



Complete this conversation about the book, *100 Things to Do Before You Die*. Then, listen and check your answers.

A: I'm reading an interesting book at the moment: *100 Things to Do Before You Die*.

B: Really?

A: 1 _____ (you / read) it?

B: 2 _____ (I / not / read) it. But 3 _____ (I / hear) of it.

Is it good?

A: It's interesting, yes.

B: So what is it, exactly? A list of places the authors 4 _____ (be) to?

A: It is, but a lot of the things are interesting events, like music festivals, art exhibitions, races, and that kind of thing.

And some are really out of the ordinary; things that most people 5 _____ (never / see). There's the world's biggest tomato fight, in a town in Spain, for example.

B: I see. Sounds crazy.

A: The book or the tomato fight?

B: Well, both. 6 _____ (I / never / have) a tomato fight, but it sounds like fun.



Practice Exercise 2

Complete the sentences in 1–5.

- 1 The job's finished. I / do / all the work
- 2 you / read / the book before / ?
- 3 I / be / to this restaurant before
- 4 you / ever / take / an English course / ?
- 5 I / never / swim / in the Pacific

ANSWERS

Follow-up 3.1

1. read
2. swum
3. run
4. seen
5. been

Practice Exercise 1

1. Have you read it
2. I haven't read it
3. I have heard of it
4. Have been to
5. Have never seen

Practice Exercise 2

1. I have done all the work
2. Have you read the book before?
3. I have been to this restaurant before.
4. Have you ever taken an English course?
5. I have never swum in the pacific.