

### Unit 14 – Trip to New York II

**Transcript** 

#### **INITIAL TEXT**

(Introduction)

Hi! Welcome to the initial text of the unit The Trip to New York II. Here Mark's story continues.

Let's start.

Hi! I am Mark, the writer. The writer of romantic novels. Some of my books are "Love yes, money as well," "Leave me alone," or the best-seller "The love machine."

Last year I visited New York. I spent a few days in that wonderful city. My hotel was very close to Central Park, the largest and most important public park in Manhattan.

The day after I arrived, I started walking down the streets of New York. I was eager to see the Empire State Building, which is probably New York's best-known building.

Later that same day, I found myself in the heart of Times Square, New York's liveliest square and known for its numerous movie theaters and big Broadway billboards.

I started getting hungry, so I went to a restaurant, and I ordered a hamburger and some French fries. I ate very well (and maybe too much!).

The next day, I visited The Statue of Liberty. The height of the Statue of Liberty is 151 ft. from the base to the torch. With the pedestal and foundation included in the measurement, the full height is 305 ft. I took many photos! That was impressive.

After visiting the Statue of Liberty, I went to a bar. There I ordered a pint of beer while looking through all the pictures I took during the day.

During the days I was in New York, I visited more places, and every day I learned something new. It was a great adventure! This was one of my favorite trips!

Perfect! This is the end of this initial text. See you in the ministory.

#### MINI-STORY A1

(improve your speaking)

Welcome to the mini-story A1 of the unit The Trip to New York II. Let's start!

#### The character of today's story is Mark.

Who's the character of today's story?

Mark. Mark is the character of today's story.

Is Lucas the character of this story?

No. Not Lucas. Lucas is not the character, but Mark. Lucas is his friend, by the way.

### Mark is a writer of romantic novels. He has written seventeen romantic books.

What's Mark?

A writer. Mark is a writer. He writes romantic novels. He has written several books.

Who's a writer?

Mark. Mark is a writer.

What kind of novels does Mark write?

Romantic. Mark writes romantic novels. He has written seventeen books so far.

How many books has Mark written?

Seventeen books. He has written seventeen books so far.

#### Mark visited New York last year.

What did Mark visit?

New York. Mark visited New York.

Did Mark visit the city of New York two years ago?

No. Not two years ago. Last year. Mark visited that city one year ago.

When did Mark visit New York? When?

One year ago. Last year. Mark visited New York last

year.

Did Mark visit New York alone or with his friend Lucas?

Alone. Mark visited New York alone.

#### Mark spent a few days in New York.

How many days did Mark spend in the city?

A few days. Just a few days in the city.

# Mark's hotel was very close to Central Park, the largest and most important public park in Manhattan.

What was near Central Park?

Mark's hotel. Mark's hotel was near Central Park.

Whose hotel? Whose?

Mark's. Mark's hotel was near

Central Park.

Was the hotel far from Central Park?

No, the hotel wasn't far from Central Park. It was near Central Park.

### Mark started walking down the streets of New York. He was eager to see the Empire State Building.

Did Mark want to stay at the hotel?

No. Mark didn't want to stay at the hotel. He wanted to visit the city! The hotel was only for sleeping.

Did Mark want to visit the city?

Yes, he wanted to visit the city. He started walking down the streets of New York the day after arriving.

When did Mark visit the city?

The day after arriving. He visited the city the day after arriving.

#### Mark walked down the streets of New York, eager to see the Empire State Building.

Someone walked down the streets of New York. Who was this person?

Mark! Mark, the writer, walked down the streets of New York.

Did Mark drive a car down the streets of New York?

No. He didn't drive a car. He walked. He walked down the streets of New York.

Was he eager to see the Statue of Liberty?

No. He wasn't eager to see the Statue of Liberty. Mark was eager to see the Empire State Building.

## Mark saw many people. New York was a tourist city, so there were many tourists.

Did Mark see many people?

Yes. He saw many people. There were many tourists like Mark.

Did Mark find tourists?

Yes. He found many tourists.

What did Mark find?

Tourists. He found many tourists on the streets of New York near the Empire State Building.

Where?

Near the Empire State Building. Mark found many tourists on the streets of New York near the Empire State Building.

Was New York a tourist city?

Yes! It was a tourist city. Many tourists visited New York.

Why did Mark find so many tourists?

Because New York was a tourist city, that was the reason.

# Later that same day, Mark found himself in the heart of Times Square, New York's liveliest square.

Did Mark find anything?

Yes. He found something. He found himself in the heart of Times Square.

Where did Mark find himself?

In the heart of Times Square. Mark found himself in the heart of Times Square, which was New York's liveliest square.

Was the Time Square a quiet square?

No. No. Time Square wasn't a quiet square. It was New York's liveliest square.

# Times Square was New York's liveliest square and known for its numerous movie theaters and big Broadway billboards.

Was Time Square known for its pizza restaurants?

No. No. Time Square was known for its movie theaters.

Were there just a few movie theaters in Time Square?

No. There weren't just a few movie theatres. Times Square was known for its numerous movie theatres.

Were there any Broadway billboards in Times Square?

Yes, there were. There were big Broadway billboards in Times Square.

Small billboards?

No. No. The billboards weren't small. The billboards in Times Square were big.

This is the end of this part. See you in the next one!

#### MINI-STORY A2

(improve your speaking)

Welcome to the-mini story A2 of the unit The Trip to New York II.

### After walking for a few hours, Mark was hungry, so he went to a local American restaurant.

Who was hungry?

Mark. Mark was hungry.

Mark was hungry, so he went to an Italian restaurant, right? No! He didn't go to an Italian restaurant.

Where did he go?

To a local American restaurant. Mark was hungry, and he went to a local American restaurant.

What kind of restaurant? A vegetarian restaurant?

Not a vegetarian restaurant. He went to a local American restaurant.

Why did Mark go to a restaurant?

Because he was hungry, he went to a restaurant because he was hungry.

No. No. He didn't eat just a little. He ate too much. He ate ten hamburgers.

#### There he ordered a hamburger and some French fries.

Did he only order a hamburger?

No. No. He didn't only order a hamburger. He ordered a hamburger and fries.

Did he order German fries?

No. He didn't order German fries. Mark ordered French fries.

Who ordered a hamburger?

Mark. Mark ordered a hamburger and some French fries.

# The food was really tasty, so he ended up ordering ten hamburgers. Mark ate very well and maybe too much!

Was the food tasteless?

No. No. The food wasn't tasteless. The food was really tasty.

Did Mark order nine hamburgers?

No. He didn't order nine hamburgers. He ordered ten hamburgers.

Did Mark drink too much?

No. No. Mark didn't drink too much.

Did he eat just a little?

# The next day, Mark visited the Statue of Liberty, which measured a total of 305 feet. He took many photos!

Did Mark visit the Rockefeller Center?

No. Mark didn't visit the Rockefeller Center. He visited the Statue of Liberty.

When did Mark visit the Statue of Liberty? Last year?

No. No. Not last year. Mark visited the Statue of Liberty the next day.

Was the Statue of Liberty small?

No. The Statue of Liberty wasn't small. It was very high. It was 305 ft. tall.

Was the Statue of Liberty only 30 ft. tall?

No. The Statue of Liberty wasn't only 30 ft. tall. It was 305 ft. tall.

Did Mark shoot any videos?

No. He didn't shoot any videos. Mark took pictures.

So, Mark took pictures of the Statue of Liberty. Right?

Yes. Mark took many photos of the Statue of Liberty.

After visiting the Statue of Liberty, Mark went to a bar. There he ordered a pint of beer while looking through all the pictures he took during the day.

Did Mark go to a supermarket after visiting the Statue of Liberty?

No. He didn't go to a supermarket. After visiting the Statue of Liberty, he went to a bar.

When did he go to a bar, before or after visiting the Statue of Liberty?

Not before. After visiting the Statue of Liberty, he went to a bar.

Did he order a glass of wine?

No. No. He didn't order a glass of wine. He ordered a pint of beer.

So, did he order a gallon of beer?

No. No. He didn't order a gallon of beer. He ordered just a pint of beer. A gallon of beer was a bit too much for Mark.

Was he looking at the people in the bar while drinking his pint of beer?

No. He wasn't looking at the people in the bar. He was looking through all the pictures he took during the day.

When did he take the pictures? The night before?

No. He didn't take the pictures the night before. He took the pictures that same day.

During the days he was in New York, Mark visited more places, and every day he learned something new. It was a great adventure!

Did Mark visit more places?

Yes. Mark visited more places.

When did he visit more places? During the days he was in New Jersey?

No. No. He didn't visit more places during the days he was in New Jersey. He visited more places during the days he was in New York.

Mark learned something. Right?

Yes. Mark learned something new.

When did he learn something new? Every week?

No. Not every week. He learned something new every day.

Was it a terrible adventure for him?

No. It wasn't a terrible adventure for him. It was a great adventure for Mark!

All right. That's the end of the story of Mark. See you in the Point of View lesson!

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#### POINT OF VIEW STORY

(improve your grammar)

Welcome to the Point of View lesson of the unit The Trip to New York II. Let's start!

Hi. I'm Mark. I've always liked discovering new places, and today hasn't been an exception.

Today I've had a fantastic day in New York. In the morning, after having breakfast, I started walking down the streets of New York. I was eager to see the Empire State Building.

Later that same day, I found myself in the heart of Times Square, New York's liveliest square and known for its numerous movie theaters and big Broadway billboards. It has been an interesting morning, but I started getting hungry, so I went to a restaurant, and I ordered a hamburger and some French fries. I ate very well (and maybe too much!).

The next day, I visited The Statue of Liberty, which was 305 ft. tall. I took many photos! That was impressive.

After visiting the Statue of Liberty, I went to a bar. There I ordered a pint of beer while looking through all the pictures I took during the day.

Without a doubt, it's been a fascinating day. Now I'm going to sleep. Good night!

Ok. Now it's time to change the tense. Let's go into the future!

Hi. I'm Mark. I'll always love discovering new places, and today won't be an exception.

I'm gonna have a great day in New York today. In the morning, after breakfast, I'll start walking the streets of New York City. I'll be anxious to see the Empire State Building.

Later that same day, I'll find myself in the heart of Times Square, New York's busiest square and known for its numerous movie theaters and big Broadway billboards.

It'll be an interesting morning, but I'll start to get hungry, so I'll go to a restaurant and get a hamburger and some fries. I'll eat very well (and perhaps too much!)

The next day, I'll visit the Statue of Liberty, which will be 305 ft. tall. I'll take lots of pictures! That'll be awesome.

After I visit the Statue of Liberty, I'll go to a bar. There I'll order a pint of beer while looking through all the pictures I took during the day.

No doubt, today will be a fascinating day, so I'll go to bed. Good night!

All right! That's the end of this lesson. See you next time!



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