# Lesson 79: The Crystal

The Crystal

How many people visited the Great Exhibition of 1851?

Perhaps the most extraordinary building of the nineteenth century was the Crystal Palace, which was built in Hyde Park for the Great Exhibition of 1851.

The Crystal Palace was different from all other buildings in the world, for it was made of iron and glass.

It was one of the biggest buildings of all time, and a lot of people from many countries came to see it.

A great many goods were sent to the exhibition from various parts of the world.

There was also a great The most wonderful piece is his deal of machinery on display.

The most wonderful piece of machinery on show was Nasmyth's steam hammer.

Though in those days, traveling was not as easy as it is today, steamboats carried thousands of visitors across the Channel from Europe.

On arriving in England, they were taken to the Crystal Palace by train.

There were six million visitors in all, and the profits from the exhibition were used to build museums and colleges.

Later, the Crystal Palace was moved to South London.

It remained one of the most famous buildings in the world until it was burned down in 1936.

The Crystal Palace, which was built for the Great Exhibition of 1851, was different from other buildings because it was made of iron and glass.

Goods from various parts of the world were on display, as well as a great deal of machinery.

So many visitors came by boat and train that it was possible to build colleges and museums from the profits.

After the exhibition, the Crystal Palace was moved to South London, where it remained until it was burnt down in 1936.

Last week we went to visit a modern exhibition in the National Art Gallery.

I got there by bus.

The exhibition attracted large crowds, especially young people.

A lot of modernist paintings were on display there.

They were all painted by the famous artists of the world.

I was deeply impressed by the paintings.

They were abstract and showed a striking contrast of the colors.

Though much more difficult to understand than the traditional paintings, they were more thought-provoking.

I walked round the exhibition hall and appreciated every painting.

Of all the exhibits on the show, I liked the ones by Dalí, Picasso, and Manet best.

I stayed in the art gallery the whole day.

Though I was tired at the end of the day, I still hated to leave, for I was so fascinated by these modern paintings.

There was also a great deal of machinery on display.

The most wonderful piece of machinery on show.

He has gone to Frankfurt on business.

I didn't catch the bus.

I came here on foot.

Tasked to see the officer on duty.

On the whole, it has been a very successful year.

Look at that smoke.

That building must be on fire.

I don't think it was an accident.

He did it on purpose.

On average, I make six telephone calls a day.

You mustn't, on any account, sign the contract before you read it.

I know I had agreed to let you go to the cinema, but on second thought, you should stay at home and finish your homework.

While the guard was on duty, he heard a shot.

I've changed my mind.

On second thought, I'll go by plane instead.

I think you dropped your handkerchief on purpose so that he could pick it up.

You must be exhausted!

Did you come all that way on foot?

You should have taken a taxi.

I'm not always pleased with his work, but on the whole, it is satisfactory.

You must not, on any account, leave this room.

On average, 250,000 tourists visit this town each year.

The Crystal Palace differed from all other buildings at the time because it was made of unusual materials.

The Great Exhibition of 1851 was highly successful.

When was the Great Exhibition? In 1851.

A great many goods were sent.

There were quite a few.

Traveling was not as easy as it is today.

It wasn't so easy to travel in those days.

On arriving in England.

When they arrived in England.

It was one of the most famous buildings in the world.

It was one of the most famous of all buildings.

It was an extraordinary building.

It was quite exceptional.

Goods were sent from various parts of the world.

They came from different parts.

There was a great deal of machinery.

This means there were many machines.

There were six million visitors in all.

That was the total.

Museums were built with the profits.

They were built with the earnings.

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