

# 1 LANGUAGE FOCUS • *Is there ... ? , Are there ... ? , How many ... ?*

## • *Definite and zero article*

I can ask and answer questions about places.

### 1 Complete the questions. Then choose the correct answers.

- 1 ..... there a school on the ship?  
a. Yes, there is.      b. No, there isn't.
- 2 ..... there any swimming pools?  
a. Yes, there are.      b. No, there aren't.
- 3 How many cafés and restaurants ..... there on the ship?  
a. Yes, there are.      b. There are twenty.

### 2 Choose the correct words in the Rules.

#### RULES

- 1 We use *some / any* in questions.
- 2 We use *Yes, there is* and *No, there isn't* with singular nouns / plural nouns.
- 3 We use *Yes, there are* and *No, there aren't* with singular nouns / plural nouns.
- 4 We use *How many ... ?* with singular nouns / plural nouns.

### 3 Match 1–6 with a–f to make questions. Then write answers about your town or city.

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|-----------------|--------------------------|
| 1 Is there a    | a. people are there?     |
| 2 Are there     | b. a good school?        |
| 3 Is there an   | c. sports centre?        |
| 4 How many      | d. bridges?              |
| 5 Is there      | e. old part?             |
| 6 Are there any | f. any five-star hotels? |

### 4 Complete the questions with *Is there ... ? , Are there ... ?* and *How many ... ?*. Then ask and answer the questions with a partner.

- 1 ..... any trees in your town or city?
- 2 ..... a park or a sports centre?
- 3 ..... swimming pools are there?
- 4 ..... any exciting places for young people?
- 5 ..... people live in your town or city?

## Definite and zero article

### 5 Choose the correct words in the Rules.

#### RULES

We use *a / the* to talk about one particular thing.  
We use *some / zero article* to talk about things in general.

### 6 Complete the sentences with *the* or $\emptyset$ .

- 1 There are lots of things to do on ..... cruise ship.
- 2 I go running in ..... park near my house.
- 3 I think ..... climbing is an exciting sport.
- 4 My dad likes cooking ..... Italian food.
- 5 There are lots of boats at ..... Cái Răng floating market.



### 7 USE IT! Work in groups. Ask and answer about an amusement park in your town / city. Use *Is there ... ? , Are there ... ?* and *How many ... ?*.

Are there any swimming pools?

Yes, there are.

How many swimming pools are there?

There are three.

#### Finished?

Write a description of your amusement park in exercise 7. Use the prepositions in the Starter unit.

