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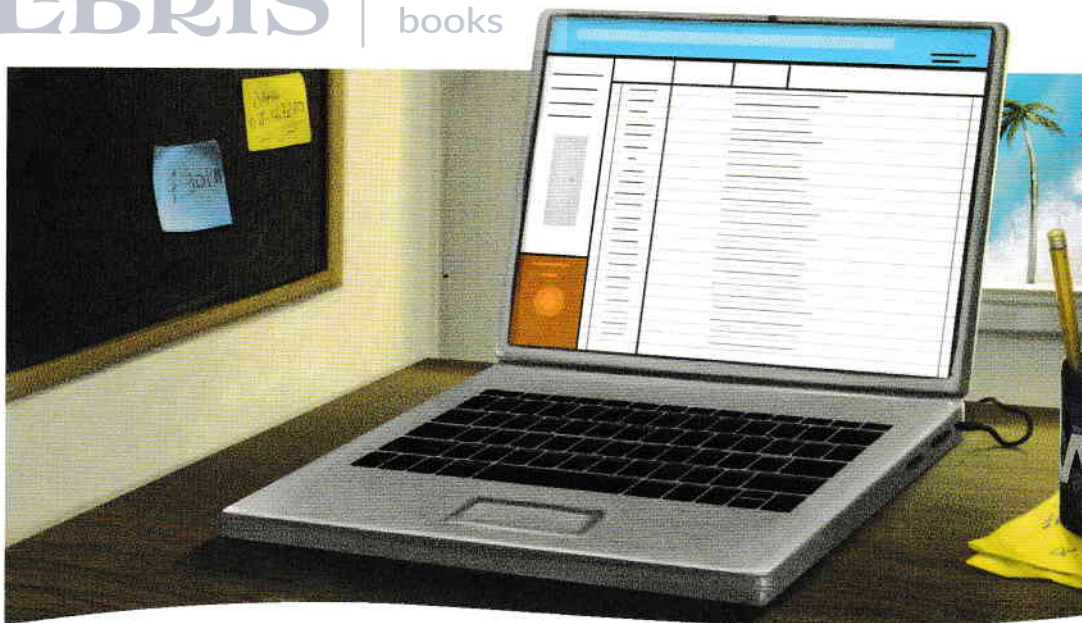
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## CHAPTER ONE

*The invitation*

Megan and Alex Huntington live with their parents in Somerset Bay, Florida. Their father, James Huntington, is the director of the Marine World Aquarium, one of Florida's most famous aquariums. Their mother Liz works at the aquarium gift shop. Last summer Megan, Alex and their good friend Steve worked at the aquarium and solved the big mystery of the missing dolphins. The Somerset Bay newspaper even wrote an article about them and called them "great young detectives".

Megan is a cute girl of sixteen, with long blonde hair and blue eyes. She plays the violin in the Franklin High School Orchestra and loves all kinds of music. She wants to become a famous photographer and she likes shopping for trendy clothes.

Alex is a tall, handsome boy of seventeen, with short brown hair



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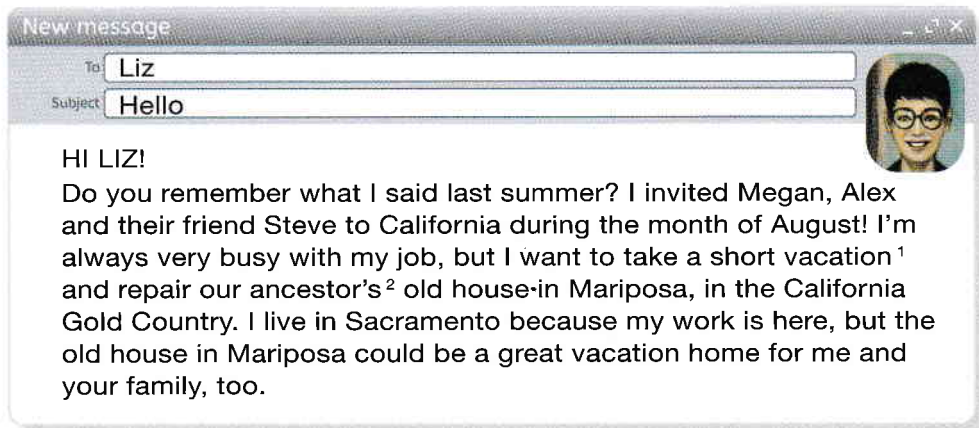
and blue eyes. He's a basketball player on the high school team. He loves the ocean and wants to become a marine biologist like his dad.

Both Megan and Alex belong to the *Save the Planet! Club* at their high school. The club is involved in activities to help the environment and it informs people about climate change. It meets twice a month.

Megan and Alex love nature and they know that the planet is in great danger. Their family tries to recycle everything.

Steve Murray is Alex's best friend. He's a tall, friendly boy of seventeen with black hair and green eyes. He lives in Maine, but he had a summer job at the Marine World Aquarium last year. This year he has come back to do the same job. Liz Huntington prepared a comfortable guest room for him. He belongs to the Journalism Club at his high school and wants to become a journalist.

There was a lot of excitement in the air at the Huntington home one Wednesday morning at the beginning of August. The aquarium was always closed on Wednesdays so everyone was free. Liz's sister, Helen Collins, sent this email:



1. **vacation** : the time of year when there is no school; usually in the summer.
2. **ancestor** : your relative from long ago.

## 1 COMPREHENSION CHECK

Read the sentences below and decide if each sentence is correct or incorrect. If the sentence is correct mark A. If it is not correct mark B.

- |  | A                        | B                        |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 Megan, Alex and Steve went to Franklin High School, in Somerset Bay, Florida.                            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 Megan belonged to the <i>Save the Planet! Club</i> .   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 Alex wanted to become a famous photographer.   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4 Steve Murray had a summer job at the Marine World Aquarium.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5 Helen Collins wanted to sell an old house in Mariposa, California.                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6 Helen Collins invited Megan, Alex and Steve to California, and she offered to pay their airline tickets. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7 Steve couldn't go to California because he had to help his dad on the fishing boat.                      | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8 James and Liz Huntington said that Megan and Alex could go to California.                                | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9 Debbie and her brother Ed weren't interested in the jobs at the aquarium.                                | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

## 2 SENTENCE TRANSFORMATION

For each question complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use no more than three words. The first is done for you.

- 0 The Marine World Aquarium wasn't far from the port.  
The Marine World Aquarium ..... *was near* .....  
the port.
- 1 Alex's bicycle was more expensive than Steve's.  
Steve's bicycle was ..... than Alex's.
- 2 Are these Megan's new jeans?     ·  
Do these new jeans ..... Megan?
- 3 Liz liked summer more than winter.  
Liz ..... winter.
- 4 The old man lived alone.  
The old man ..... with anyone.

**HAVE MEGAN, ALEX AND STEVE EVER BEEN TO A RODEO? "I'VE NEVER BEEN TO THE GOLD COUNTRY IN CALIFORNIA," SAID JAMES HUNTINGTON.**

### EVER / NEVER + PRESENT PERFECT

We often use **ever** / **never** with the **Present Perfect**.

- We use **ever** in questions, it means "at any time up to now".  
*Has she **ever** talked to the teacher?*  
*Have you **ever** worked at a supermarket?*
- We can use a superlative with **ever** + **the Present Perfect**.  
*She's the **friendliest** person I've **ever** met.*  
*This is the **most interesting** museum I've **ever** visited.*
- **Never** means "not ever" and we use it with a positive verb.  
*I've **never** baked a cake.*  
*He's **never** played the violin.*

### 3 GRAMMAR

**Complete the sentences with *ever* or *never* and the correct form of the verbs in the box.**

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- 1 Has Steve ..... Helen Collins?
- 2 She has ..... to San Francisco, California.
- 3 My mom has ..... such an expensive watch.
- 4 Did you like the band's new song? It was the best song I've .....
- 5 Have you ..... your own poem?
- 6 Debbie and Ed have ..... at the aquarium.
- 7 Have they ..... to speak French?
- 8 We have ..... Chinese food.

### 4 READING PICTURES

**Look at the picture on page 11 and answer these questions.**

- 1 Who is Steve calling and what is he saying?
- 2 What are Liz and Alex talking about?
- 3 What is Megan thinking?