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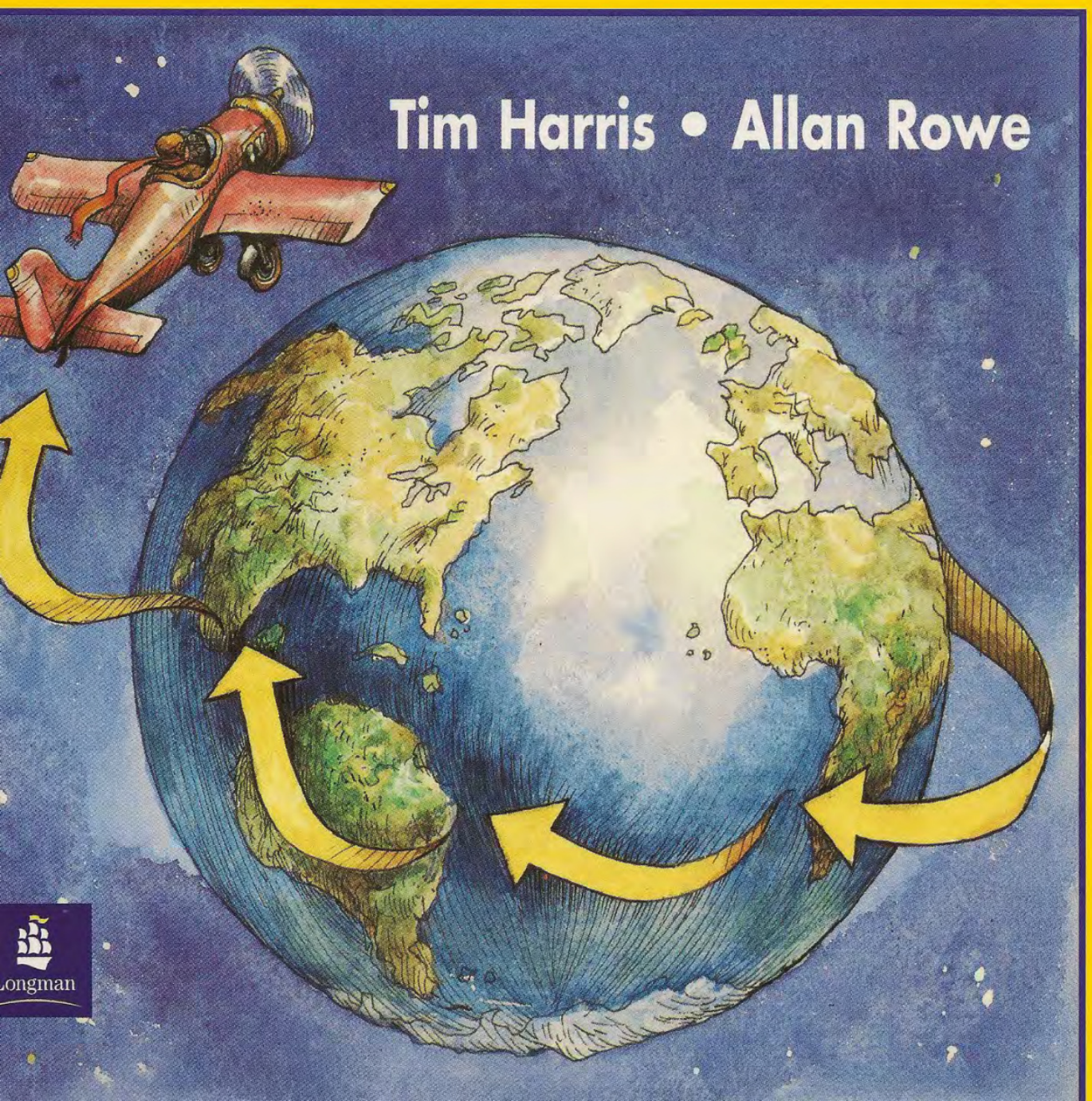

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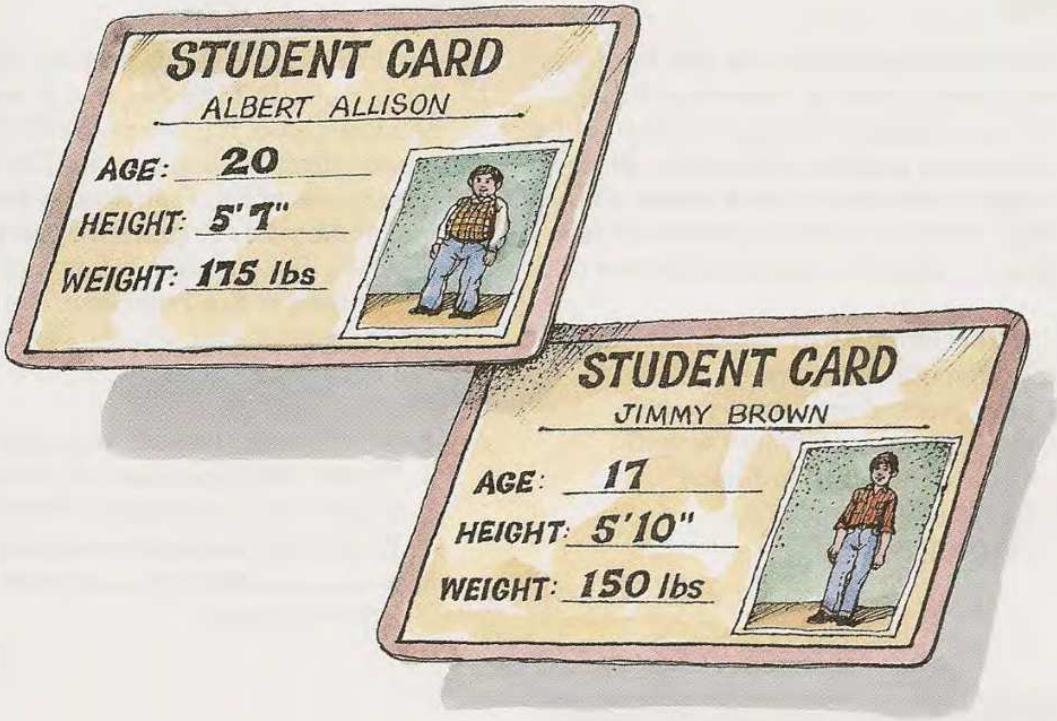

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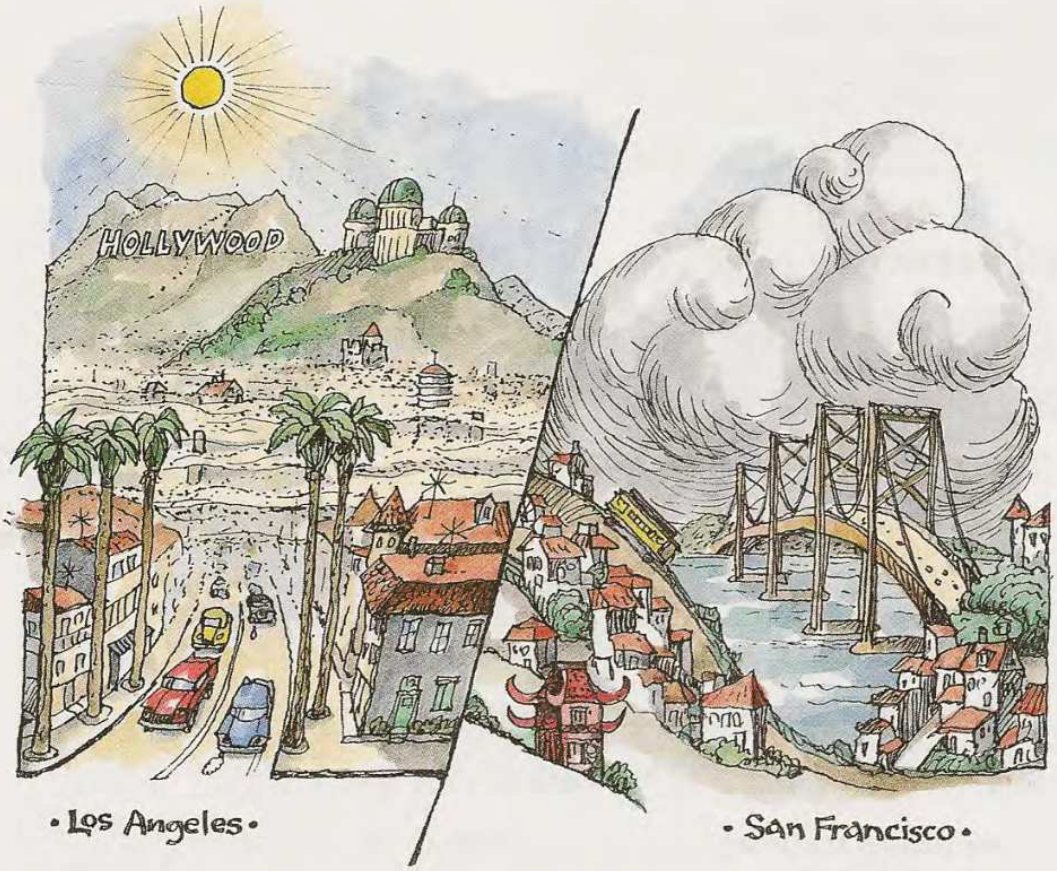


1. Talk about the pictures.
2. Listen to the stories.
3. Answer the story questions.

READING

1 Albert is twenty years old and Jimmy is seventeen. Albert is older than Jimmy. He's also heavier. He weighs 175 pounds. Jimmy only weighs 150 pounds. Jimmy is younger and thinner than Albert. And he's taller. Jimmy is five feet ten inches tall. Albert is only five feet seven inches tall.

1. Who's older, Albert or Jimmy?
2. Which one is heavier?
3. How much does Albert weigh?
4. How much does Jimmy weigh?
5. Is Albert taller than Jimmy?
6. How tall is Albert?
7. How tall is Jimmy?

2 San Francisco and Los Angeles are both large cities. But Los Angeles is larger than San Francisco. It has a population of almost three million people. The population of San Francisco is less than one million. Los Angeles has very good weather. The weather in Los Angeles is better than in San Francisco. But the air in Los Angeles is bad. It's worse than in San Francisco.

1. Which of the two cities is larger?
2. What's the population of Los Angeles?
3. What's the population of San Francisco?
4. Which city has better weather?
5. Is the air better in Los Angeles than in San Francisco?

SHORT-WORD COMPARATIVE

Albert is older than Jimmy.

_____ bigger _____.

_____ heavier _____.

_____ shorter _____.

WRITTEN EXERCISE • *Complete the sentences, using the comparative form.*

Jimmy is (tall) *taller* than Albert.

The air in Los Angeles is (bad) *worse* than in San Francisco.

1. Tino is (strong) _____ than Johnnie.
2. Mabel is (heavy) _____ than Linda.
3. A bicycle is (cheap) _____ than a motorcycle.
4. An airplane is (fast) _____ than a car.
5. Mr. Bascomb is (rich) _____ than Dr. Pasto.
6. Sam is (busy) _____ than Jack.
7. These glasses are (clean) _____ than those.
8. Your lessons are (easy) _____ than mine.
9. The weather in Los Angeles is (good) _____ than in San Francisco.

CONVERSATION

Listen and practice.

MABEL: Do you think Sunnyville is better than Fast City?

SAM: Sure. People are nicer in Sunnyville.

MABEL: But isn't it expensive there?

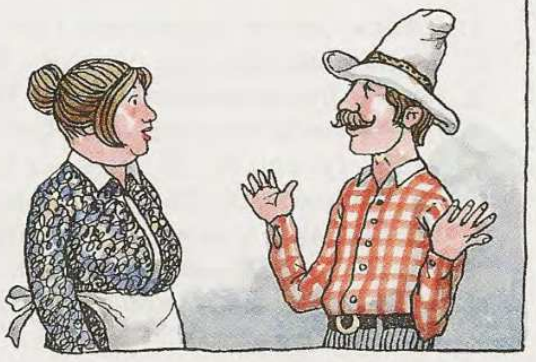
SAM: Sunnyville is cheaper than Fast City.

MABEL: What about the weather?

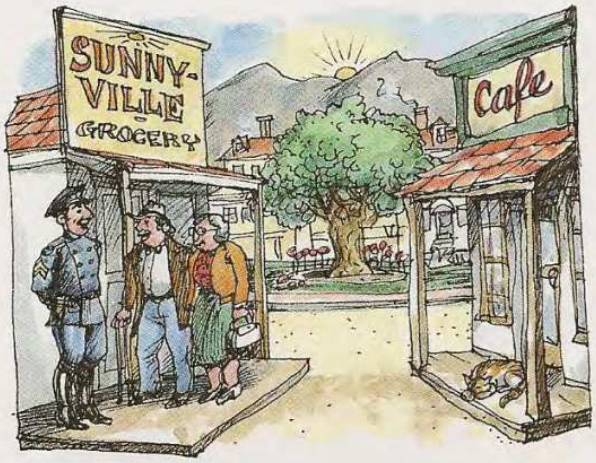
SAM: It's better in Sunnyville.

MABEL: Then why do some people prefer Fast City?

SAM: I don't know. I can't understand it.



FREE RESPONSE • *Would you prefer to live in Sunnyville or Fast City? Why?*



SUNNYVILLE population: 42,106

FAST CITY population: 537,853

PAIR WORK • *Ask and answer questions about the two cities using the comparative form.*

friendly
A. **Which city is friendlier?**
B. **Sunnyville (is).**

1. clean
2. busy
3. small
4. noisy
5. safe
6. pretty
7. large
8. cheap
9. good

PRACTICE • *Make comparisons using the information given.*

Jimmy weighs 150 pounds. Albert weighs 175 pounds.
Jimmy is lighter than Albert.
OR **Albert is heavier than Jimmy.**

Los Angeles doesn't get much rain. It rains a lot in San Francisco.
Los Angeles is drier than San Francisco.
OR **San Francisco is wetter than Los Angeles.**

1. Johnnie can lift 100 pounds. Tino can lift 300 pounds.
2. Mr. Bascomb has a lot of money. Sam doesn't have very much.
3. Peter is five feet ten inches tall. Tino is six feet tall.
4. Peter's car is five years old. Tino's car is eight years old.
5. Peter's car can go 120 miles per hour. Tino's car can go 90 miles per hour.
6. Mrs. Golo weighs 125 pounds. Mrs. Brown weighs 155 pounds.
7. Johnnie takes a shower twice a day. Barney takes a shower twice a week.
8. Barbara is twenty-four years old. Tino is twenty-nine years old.
9. Wickam City is an average-sized town. Colterville is very small.

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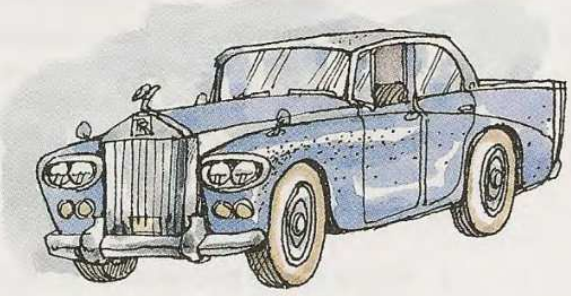

Rolls Royce

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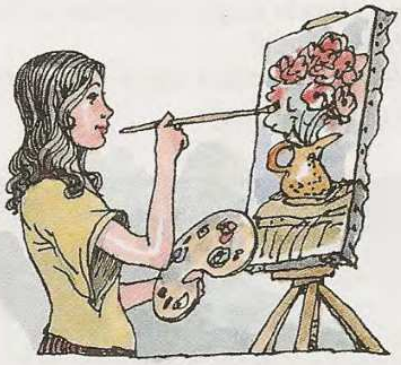

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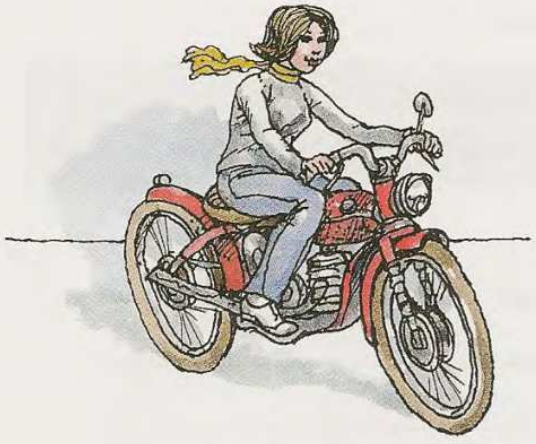

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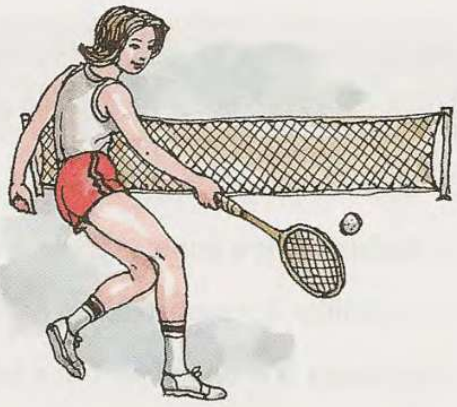

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