



5 Minute English → Writing a Postcard

Join Kayleigh and learn how to construct an English postcard. Put together sentences in the past and future tense.



①  Watch the video and listen carefully to what Kayleigh says. Fill in the gaps.

Today, we are going to write a . We are going to use five structures for our postcard:

, Descriptors, Tense, Tense, and .

Let's start with a greeting. An informal greeting could be **Hello** or **Hi**. But usually, when we are writing a letter or a postcard, we use **Dear ...** → *Dear Gemma, ...*

Next, we describe the . We could describe how the place , like **beautiful**.

Or we could describe the as **sunny** or **hot**. If there are lots of around, we might describe it as **busy**. Or we might describe the as **fun**. → *London is fun.*

Next, we write something you . This means using the tense. If you somewhere, you would start with **I went ...** and if you something, you would start with **I saw ...** → *I went to Hyde Park. I've added another descriptor here. It was .*

Then write something you . This means using the tense. Start by saying the . For example, **Tomorrow ...** or **On ...**

Then say, **I am going to ...** → *Tomorrow, I am going to the London Eye.*


Finally, say . We often use the phrase **Wish you were here**. Then, **From ...** or if it is a loved one or family , **Love from ...** → *Wish you were here from Kayleigh.*

② Look at Kayleigh's postcard again and write the text on the lines.


- 1) Greeting
- 2) Descriptors
- 3) Past Tense
- 4) Future Tense
- 5) Goodbye




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- ③  Now look at the text and find information that relates to the 5 bullet points in Task 2.

Mark them with a **highlighter**.

- ④  Take a look at this checklist. Think about what goes together.

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| 1. Start with a Hello: ● | ○ Send friendly greetings to your friend. |
| 2. Say Where You Are: ● | ○ Say a little about the weather, for example, „The weather is good.“ |
| 3. Talk About Your Trip: ● | ○ Tell your friend how you feel, like „I am happy“ or „It is nice.“ |
| 4. Describe Your Feelings: ● | ○ Close your postcard with a goodbye, like „Goodbye“ or „See you soon.“ |
| 5. Share Something Interesting: ● | ○ Share a bit about what you did or saw, using simple words. |
| 6. Mention the Weather: ● | ○ Tell your friend where you are, like „I'm in Paris.“ |
| 7. Send Greetings: ● | ○ Begin with a friendly greeting like „Hi“ or „Hello.“ |
| 8. End with Goodbye: ● | ○ Talk about something interesting you found, using easy words. |

- ⑤  Now read the postcard and find information that relates to the 8 bullet points in Task 4.

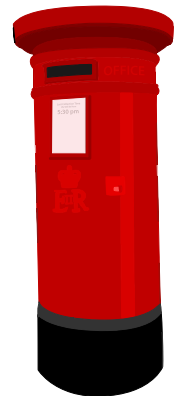
Can you find some information for all of them? Use a **highlighter** again.

 Dear _____,

Hi there! Greetings from London! Today has been amazing. I'm sitting in a cute little café near the London Eye, and I've had the best day ever. Guess what I did yesterday? I went on the London Eye! The view from the top was incredible. I could see the whole city! It was a bit scary, but also so much fun. 😊 The weather is okay at the moment, as I'm resting a bit before my next adventure. Tomorrow, I plan to visit the Tower Bridge. I've heard it's fantastic! I'll take lots of pictures for you. Wish you were here to share these experiences with me. Missing you loads! Take care and see you soon.

Yours, _____





- ⑥ Are you ready to rock the postcard writing? Use **simple words** and **short but clear sentences** to make your postcard awesome! Stick to the **checklists** above.