

Keywords:

factory (n) a building where products are made
fall (n) an instance of something becoming smaller in size or amount
grow (v) to start as a seed and become a tall plant. The past simple is grew.
improve (v) to make something better
increase (v) to become more in number or value
leave (v) to go away. The past simple is leave.
move (v) to change the place where you live
safe (adj) not in danger
scared (adj) very worried that something bad will happen
terrible (adj) very bad

Vocabulary practice

- 1 Match a verb or noun from A with a noun or verb from B. One of the nouns in A matches two verbs in B. All the verbs are in the Key Words.

A	B
flower (n)	fall (v)
move (v)	grow (v)
price (n)	house (n)
English (n)	improve (v)
leave (v)	increase (v)
	school (n)

- 2 Complete the sentences with the past simple form of verbs.

- The price of a litre of petrol _____ from 1.10 euros to 1.20 euros yesterday.
- My dad _____ school when he was 15.
- When I was ten, we _____ to a new house in the country.
- The flowers in my garden _____ well this summer.
- My English _____ after I made friends with some Australians.
- Mobile phones are cheaper now. The price _____ by 25 percent last year.

Grammar practice

3 Write the plural of the noun. How do you say each one? Listen to the article again and check.

1 building _____

2 factory _____

3 worker _____

4 house _____

5 tree _____

6 city _____

7 family _____

8 business _____

9 store _____

4 Look at the underlined part of the sentences. Write (P) possessive or (A) abbreviation.

1 The city's a good place to live. _____

2 The city's car factories closed. _____

3 My family's house is near here. _____

4 My family's moving house. _____

5 Detroit was America's poorest city. _____

6 America's an interesting country to visit. _____

7 That tree's growing quickly. _____

8 That tree's leaves are huge. _____

9 It's not unusual to have two cars now. _____

10 The factory made its first car 100 years ago. _____