

1a Warm up Match the names and pictures.

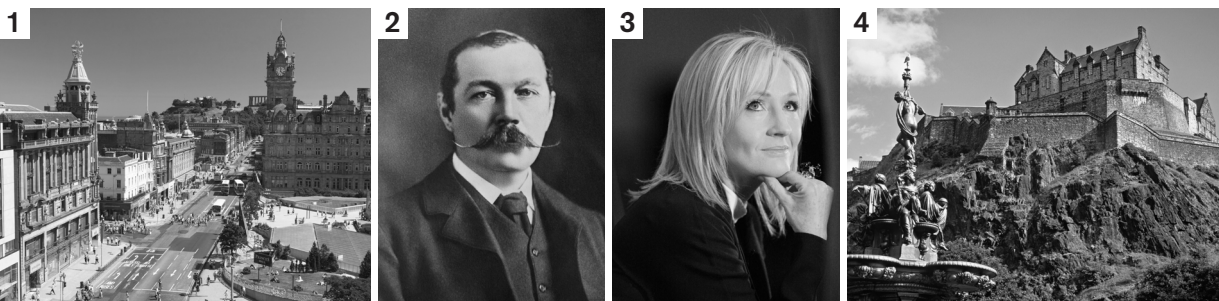
Dublin

James Joyce ☐ The Custom House ☐ Bono ☐ The Temple Bar Quarter ☐




Edinburgh

Arthur Conan Doyle ☐ Edinburgh Castle ☐ J. K. Rowling ☐ Princes Street ☐



Listening and Reading

- 2  10 Listen and read the postcards on page 2. Decide if the sentences are true (T) or false (F).
- 1 Carrie is on a tour of Dublin. T

2 Carrie and Molly are visiting Bono's school tomorrow.

3 Jasmine is going to the theatre tonight.

4 The Edinburgh Fringe is a sports event.

5 Edinburgh castle is above the city.
- 3 Work with a partner. Complete the table with information from the postcards and the factfiles on page 2.

	Dublin	Edinburgh
Origins	The Vikings founded it in 1.....	Founded around 850B.C.
Capital city status	1923	First in 2..... and then in 3....., and again in 1999.
The Arts	Writers: Jonathan Swift, James Joyce, 4..... Musicians: 5..... and 6.....	Writers: Arthur Conan Doyle and 7..... Festivals: the Edinburgh 8.....
Sights	The 9....., a good place to eat; Phoenix Park; the Dublin Custom House.	The Castle on top of 10.....; the Old Town; Princes Street.

CULTURE 1 Two Celtic cities



Dear Sanjay,

Finally, we're in Dublin, Ireland! Our tour guide told us about Dublin's history and he took us on a boat trip up the River Liffey. Very interesting... but I'm here for the music. Bono from the rock band U2 is also from Dublin. I really, really love U2! But you know that :-). Just think - Bono started his band when he was only 14 years old! Molly and I are taking a bus to see his old school tomorrow. Totally cool!

Lots of love,

Carrie



Hi Harry!

I'm writing from Edinburgh Castle. It is on Castle Rock, above the city. I came here for the Edinburgh Fringe, an international performing arts festival. There are 19,000 performers from about 60 different countries! Timothy and I are going to see Celtic dancing in the park tonight. We're part of the Fringe, too!

See you soon,

Jasmine

Dublin Factfile

Timeline

AD 841 The Vikings founded Dublin.
1169 The English king, Henry II, defeated the Vikings.
1190 A fire destroyed a big part of Dublin.
1923 Dublin became the capital of an independent Ireland.

Things to see

The Custom House, a beautiful building on the River Liffey
The Temple Bar Quarter has got lots of shops and restaurants
Phoenix Park – the biggest city park in Europe!

Made in Dublin

Lots of famous writers: Jonathan Swift, James Joyce, Oscar Wilde...

The rock band U2 and the singer Sinead O'Connor
Actors Colin Farrell and Jonathan Rhys Meyers

Did you know?

The name 'Dublin' comes from 'Dubh Linn' in Irish and means 'black pool'.

Edinburgh Factfile

Timeline

Founded around 850 BC
1020 King Malcolm II made Edinburgh part of Scotland.
Was the capital in 1437–1603 and 1633–1707.
1999 The Queen opened the Scottish Parliament and Edinburgh became the capital of Scotland again.

Things to see

Castle Rock and Edinburgh Castle
The Old Town – the historic centre of Edinburgh
Princes Street – the best street for shopping

Made in Edinburgh

Arthur Conan Doyle, creator of the detective Sherlock Holmes
J.K. Rowling wrote the first Harry Potter novel in an Edinburgh coffee shop.

Tony Blair, British Prime Minister 1997–2007, was born here.

Did you know?

Edinburgh is often called 'the windy city'.

Project space My town or city

- 4 Make a factfile about a city or town in your country. Use the factfiles about Dublin and Edinburgh to help you. Write about:

Timeline Things to see Made in ... Did you know?