



THE ISLAND OF HOPE AND TEARS

Grammar - 1

It is said to have *been* 「...であったと言われている」

Baseball **is said to have** *begun* in 1845.

(It is said that baseball *began* in 1845.)

The 1964 Tokyo Olympics **are said to have** *been* very successful.

(It is said that the 1964 Tokyo Olympics *were* very successful.)

Life in Europe is said to have been very hard. [pg.28, l.6]

believed と thought も同じように使われます。

Life in Europe is believed/thought to have been very hard.

Vocabulary from Context

Guess the meaning of the underlined words.

migrate
/'maɪ, greɪt/

Tiffany: I heard that from 1880 to 1924, millions of Europeans migrated to America.
(took a trip / moved)

Esteban: Yes, that's true. They were looking for a new life.

Tiffany: But why did they leave Europe?

Esteban: It's said that life there was very hard.

scarce
/'skeɪs/

Tiffany: Why was life in Europe hard?

Esteban: There were many reasons.

One important reason was that jobs were scarce.

(hard / easy) to find

Pre-reading

1. As a class, discuss the picture on the next page. Where were those people coming from? Where were they going? How did they feel? Imagine.



Part 1

America is a country of immigrants. Between 1880 and 1924, 25 million people from Ireland, Italy, and many other countries are believed to have migrated there. The decision to move wasn't easy. People had to leave their homes, families, and culture. So why did so many go to America?

Life in Europe is said to have been very hard. There were many wars, people were scared of their governments, and jobs were scarce. The future seemed hopeless.

New words

2 - **Ireland** /'aɪərlənd/

3 - [a] **decision** /dɪ'sɪʒən/

8 - **hopeless** /'hoʊplɪs/

Comprehension Questions

Answer the following questions.

1. How many people are believed to have moved to America from 1880 to 1924?
2. How was life in Europe in those days?
3. What problems did Europe have?

1 - [a] **country of immigrants** - 移民の国

7 - **scared of** ～ - ～を恐れている - I'm scared of another big earthquake.

Grammar - 2

比較級／原級＋SV

My brother is	} (much / far) {	taller than	I <u>am</u> (<u>me</u>).
Your speech was		more interesting than	<u>my speech was</u> (<u>it</u>).
I can run	} (much / far) {	more quickly than	Usain Bolt can run (<u>him</u>).
Our parents had		less technology than	<u>we have</u> (<u>us</u>).
Sports are		as fun as	<u>video games are</u> (<u>them</u>).

注意：比較級では、be動詞＋形容詞、一般動詞＋副詞／名詞、の順になります。

The buildings of New York City were much taller than the building in Europe were.
[~pg.30, l.6]

Vocabulary from Context

Guess the meaning of the underlined words.

Hanna: I'm going to visit England for Christmas.

Manny: That's nice, but you should be careful. Last Christmas, Narita Airport was much more crowded than it is usually. There were so many people waiting, and I almost couldn't **board** my plane.

board ~
/bɔːrd/

get (on / off)

awful
/'ɑːfəl/

Tim: What is that **awful** smell?

(great / terrible)

Amy: Sorry. I was cooking some fish, and I burned it.

Tim: Well, open the window and let some fresh air in.

Pre-reading

Guess the answers to the following questions.

2. Today, we can travel from London to New York in about eight hours.
How long do you think the trip across the ocean took 100 years ago?
3. How was life on the big boats?



Part 2

So people boarded ships to the New World. But life on the ships was awful. The voyage sometimes took one month. One man said, "They gave us little food. People were always sick."

Arriving in New York, the first thing people saw from the ships was the Statue of Liberty. Many had tears in their eyes. Then, they saw the buildings of New York City, which were much taller than the buildings in Europe were. Everyone was eager to enter America. But first, they had to pass through Ellis Island.



New York City, c.1911



New words

1 - [a] ship /ʃɪp/

2 - [a] voyage /'vɔɪəʒ/

5 - Statue of Liberty
/'stætʃu: əv 'lɪbərti/

8 - Ellis Island /'elɪs 'aɪlənd/



The first thing people saw was the Statue of Liberty.

Comprehension Questions

Underline the correct answer. Sometimes, both a. and b. are correct.

4. On the ships, people were a. hungry. b. unhealthy.
5. Seeing the Statue of Liberty, people felt a. sad. b. happy.
6. Everyone was excited about a. seeing tall buildings. b. entering America.

1 - the New World - 新世界、新天地

4 - the first thing people saw - 人々が最初に目にしたもの

5 - had tears in their eyes - 彼らの目に涙を浮かべた - At my wedding, my parents had tears in their eyes.

8 - eager to enter America - アメリカに早く入国したがる - Are you eager to learn English?