

# Letters written from the continent, during a six weeks' tour in 1818; and afterwards publ. in the York chronicle [by J. Gray.], Jonathan Gray

1 Who's writing a letter? 2 Where did they go shopping yesterday? 3 What can you visit in Sydney? 4 This bridge is one of the oldest bridges in the USA. It is in New York and it crosses the East River from Manhattan to Brooklyn. You can see this bridge in many films, for example in Godzilla and in video games such as SimCity. b) Say what bridge each sentence refers to. The book draws a gallery of English snobs of different circles of English society. In Thackeray's view a snob is a person who bows down to and flatters his social superior and looks down with contempt on his social inferiors. In his book the author declares war against snobbery, vanity and selfishness. It was followed by *Vanity Fair* (A Novel without a Hero) - the peak of social realism, which brought great fame to the novelist, and remains his most-read work up to the present day. It appeared first in twenty-four monthly instalments which Thackeray illustrated himself, and then in 1848, a Writing is the physical manifestation of a spoken language. It is thought that human beings developed language c. 35,000 BCE as evidenced by cave paintings... Writing records the lives of a people and so is the first necessary step in the written history of a culture or civilization. A prime example of this problem is the difficulty scholars of the late 19th/early 20th centuries CE had in understanding the Maya Civilization, in that they could not read the glyphs of the Maya and so wrongly interpreted much of the physical evidence they excavated. Literature is at first words rather than letters, despite its name; it arises as clerical chants or magic charms, recited usually by the priests, and transmitted orally from memory to memory.