Level 6 Business Writing

Worksheet 5: Advertising copy

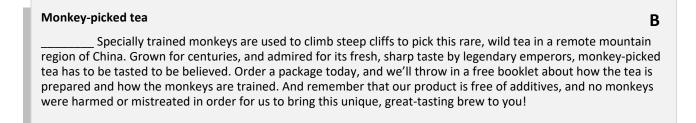
1 Match each set of adjectives (1–4) to the product they describe. How do these adjectives create a positive impression of the product?

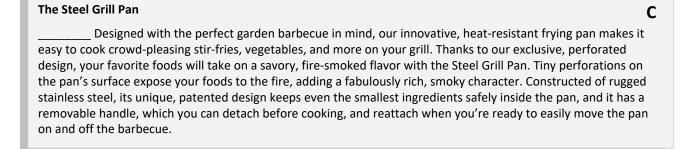
a type of box of chocolates	a type of jewelry	a type of tool or gadget
a type of clothing or footwear	a type of vehicle	a type of tea or coffee
a type of pan	a type of building	

- 1 fresh wild sharp remote rare unique great-tasting
- 2 lightweight versatile comfortable top-of-the-line waterproof
- 3 rust-free light state-of-the-art innovative long-lasting
- 4 heat-resistant exclusive stainless steel removable perforated
- **2** Read the four product descriptions in the advertising copy on the next page. Check your answers to Exercise 1.
- These opening sentences are missing from the four product descriptions. Match each sentence (1–4) with its advertising aim (a–d).
 - 1 Believe it or not, we aren't pulling your leg!
 - 2 Readers of Hiker International Magazine have praised Target boots for their rugged reliability.
 - 3 Have you ever thought to yourself that there must be an easier way of doing this?
 - 4 *Meet the next generation of outdoor cookware!*
 - a an independent and authoritative recommendation of the product
 - b a question that the reader will want to know the answer to
 - c a funny or intriguing comment that makes you want to read more
 - d an introduction to the product that makes it sound new and special
- 4 Read the four product descriptions again. Match the missing sentences in Exercise 3 with the product descriptions.
- **5** Complete the sentences with the missing prepositions.

1	It's areas and an hottles
1	It's great opening cans or bottles.
2	Thanks our use of new technology, it never breaks down.
3	It comes lots of original features.
4	They're admired their beautiful designs.
5	It's made lightweight materials.
6	It's just right covering up unattractive walls.
7	It's free harmful additives.
8	It's been praised its state-of-the-art technology.
9	It's designed your needs in mind.
10	We're proud our product.

Thumbsavers Well, that's why we've invented Thumbsavers. From now on, whenever you hammer in a nail, you can use our innovative, state-of-the-art Thumbsavers to protect your fingers and thumbs. Thumbsavers come with a built-in magnet at the end of the plastic-coated handle which grips nails, pins, screws, and tacks nice and tight while you place them just right for hammering or drilling. Made of light, rust-free aluminum, long-lasting Thumbsavers are great for positioning nails and screws in locations that your fingers just can't get to.





And we at Target are proud of our top-of-the-line product—Target Boots are the four-wheel drive of walking shoes. Our walking shoes are lightweight and comfortable, waterproof and durable. They will provide you with great traction control as well as the torsion stability needed to allow you to be well supported wherever the trail takes you! Target Boots are crammed with the latest refinements and technological ideas such as the tridensity foot bed. However, what is most important about these walking shoes is that they are versatile—you can wear them for activities ranging from gardening to dog walking to hiking.

- 6 Prepare advertising copy and a detailed product description for one of the products below. Remember to use an opening line that grabs the reader's attention, and lots of positive descriptive adjectives.
 - Luxury Hands-free Car Phone
 - Super Deluxe Portable Fan
 - Spike Sports Sneakers
 - Kitchen Giant Refrigerators

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write an attention-grabbing opening	
use positive descriptive adjectives	
use the correct preposition with a verb or adjective	