

1 Read and circle the correct answers.

Like the Eiffel Tower in Paris, Burj Al Arab in Dubai is an ¹. *important* / *exciting* symbol of its city. The restaurant on the 27th floor is very ². *dangerous* / *popular*—everyone wants to eat there. Outside, on the roof of the building, there are sometimes ³. *exciting* / *dangerous* tennis or ping-pong games between famous players. Brave athletes do ⁴. *popular* / *dangerous* things, for example, kitesurfing off the top of the building into the ocean!

2 Read and complete with the correct form of these words. There are two words you don't need.

bad beach dive large rainy snow sport start up

The Desert Sands!

Dubai is the ¹. _____ and most important city in the United Arab Emirates. Dubai is by the ocean, but all the land around it is desert. Many people want to work and live there. The most popular place to live is by the ². _____. It is much cooler there. But there isn't much space to live by the beach anymore. In 2001, people ³. _____ to build the Jumeirah Islands on the water. They used rocks and sand to make them. They look like palm trees!



Outside Dubai, there are huge hills of sand called "dunes." There are thousands of kilometers of them. There is an exciting ⁴. _____ you can do on them: sandboarding! This is the same as snowboarding, but it's on sand instead of ⁵. _____! It's a lot of fun, but you need to be careful, too—it's dangerous to be in the hot sun for a long time. Drive ⁶. _____ to the top of the dunes, then sandboard down. The ⁷. _____ part is that you have to walk back up afterward!