

Tilos - Europe's friendliest island? Vocabulary activities

A. Read the first 3 paragraphs of the text (p. 15) and match the words to their definitions.

tuck away
crimson
bougainvillea
cascade
whitewashed
main
claim to fame
cave
remains
pygmy
roam
discover
paleontologist
earn
distinction
actively
refugee
flee
war

- Ⓐ a scientist who studies fossils (=ancient bones, plants etc that have been preserved in rock)
- Ⓑ to find someone or something, either by accident or because you were looking for them
- Ⓒ the parts of something that are left after the rest has been destroyed or has disappeared
- Ⓓ larger or more important than all other things, ideas etc of the same kind
- Ⓔ to flow, fall, or hang down in large quantities
- Ⓕ someone who has been forced to leave their country, especially during a war, or for political or religious reasons
- Ⓖ to put something into a small space, especially in order to protect, hide, carry, or hold it
- Ⓗ fighting between two or more countries or between opposing groups within a country, involving large numbers of soldiers and weapons
- Ⓘ the quality of being special in some way
- Ⓚ to leave somewhere very quickly, in order to escape from danger
- Ⓛ the reason somebody or something is well-known
- Ⓜ a type of animal or plant that is much smaller than other similar types
- Ⓝ a large natural hole in the side of a cliff or hill, or under the ground
- Ⓞ to do something or have qualities that make you deserve something
- Ⓟ in a way that involves doing a lot of practical things
- Ⓡ deep red in colour
- Ⓢ a tropical plant that has red or purple flowers and grows up walls
- Ⓣ to walk or travel, usually for a long time, with no clear purpose or direction
- Ⓤ covered with a white liquid mixture used especially for painting walls

B. Read paragraphs 4-7 and find the words/phrases that mean:

provide something that people need or want _____
 a very small town in the countryside _____
 to find or provide a way of dealing with a problem _____
 the people who live in the same area, town etc _____
 in a situation in which nothing happens or changes for a long period of time, and it is difficult to make decisions or know what to do, often because you are waiting for something else to happen first _____
 a place where people stay in tents, shelters etc for a short time, usually in the mountains, a forest etc _____
 in relation to the size, amount, etc of another thing _____
 in or to a lower position than something, or directly under something _____
 an area of land that is controlled by its own government, president, king etc _____
 a room where someone has a desk and works, on their own or with other people _____
 to eagerly accept a new idea, opinion, person, religion etc _____
 to let someone do or have something, or let something happen _____
 the final number or amount of things, people etc when everything has been counted _____
 someone who lives on an island _____
 a very high hill _____
 an important city where the main government of a country, state etc is _____
 a piece of ground or a surface that is higher in one end than the other _____
 the number of people living in a particular area, country etc _____

having an important effect or influence, especially on what will happen in the future _____
 twelve of something _____
 to give someone something or allow them to have something that they have asked for _____
 to go to live in a new place, and stay there for a long time _____
 hold someone or something tightly, surround something _____
 used before amounts or numbers to emphasize that they are surprisingly small: only _____
 the way in which something is organised _____
 someone whose behaviour is very good and should be copied by others, or this type of behaviour _____
 protection given to someone by a government because they have escaped from fighting or political trouble in their own country _____
 someone who lives or stays in a particular place _____
 almost completely destroyed _____
 to provide enough money for someone to pay for all the things they need _____
 be forced to remain in a place where you are unhappy _____
 what is left after everything or everyone else has gone or been used, dealt with, or mentioned _____
 very steep and covered in rough rocks _____
 a choice or judgment that you make after a period of discussion or thought _____
 sell a product or introduce an activity, idea etc to another place or country _____
 extremely small _____