

# How to describe a picture.

You must answer the **wh** words - Where? When? Who? What? Whose? Why? and also How - how many/how much?

1) **Where?** Choose the right word in brackets.

This is a (park/street) in (the countryside/town). It looks like (a pedestrianised area/ a busy road) because there are (lots of cars/no cars.) In the background there is (a garage/ a shopping mall) and two shops.

2) **When?** Put the missing words back.

The scene is taking place during the \_\_\_\_\_. It's not very \_\_\_\_\_ though and I think it's quite \_\_\_\_\_ because the people are wearing \_\_\_\_\_

bright cold day coats

Tip: Use **adjectives** when describing things: e.g **cold**, **gray** day / **happy**, **smiling** faces/ **small wooden** table/ **brown woolly** hat



**Why?** This question is usually harder - it is a higher level skill. When you have described everything - ask yourself and answer questions like this:

- 1) Why are the two young people posing for the camera?
- 2) Why are they meeting up?
- 3) Are they the same nationality?
- 4) What do you think happened immediately before the photo was taken?
- 5) Who took the photo?
- 6) What will they do next?
- 7) What is on the table?
- 8) Do you think the ladies who are sitting down are selling the items?

**Who and what? How many?** Put the missing words back. There are \_\_\_\_\_ people in the foreground, a man and a woman. They look \_\_\_\_\_ and they are \_\_\_\_\_. They are posing for the \_\_\_\_\_. He is \_\_\_\_\_ a big hat and a pancho. They are both young. The woman has got long brown \_\_\_\_\_ and she is wearing a blue and \_\_\_\_\_ jacket and a brown hat. Just \_\_\_\_\_ them, to the left, some women are sitting at a \_\_\_\_\_. In the background, a group of women are \_\_\_\_\_ outside a shop.

table happy two smiling camera yellow shop wearing hair behind chatting

Refer to the **five senses** - what can people **see**, **hear**, **smell**, **taste**, **touch/feel**. In this picture - maybe they feel cold, because they are wearing coats. They feel happy, because they are smiling.