

Reading and vocabulary

Cape Town – BEST place in the world!

Look at the photos. Find these things.

- a bus
- a beach
- a ferry
- penguins
- a campsite
- a train
- a vineyard
- seafood
- a mountain



Read the text about Cape Town. Write the five paragraph headings in the correct place.

Where is it?

What to do

Where to stay

How to travel

When to go

Where to eat



Cape Town, South Africa

'Best place to visit in the world!' *The New York Times*

Why? Wonderful views, fabulous beaches, friendly people and a cosmopolitan culture. It is the number one place to visit!

Where is it?

Cape Town is on the south-west coast of South Africa, below the famous and spectacular Table Mountain, named one of the Seven Wonders of Nature.

It is always a good time to visit Cape Town. The weather is warm and sunny most of the year. The best time for a beach holiday is at Christmas!

Walk up the amazing Table Mountain, sunbathe on the fabulous, sandy beaches and swim with the friendly penguins. Visit the excellent vineyards and drink some of the best wine in the world. Go shopping at the Victoria and Albert Waterfront – it's fantastic! For exciting nightlife, the city also has bars, clubs, cinemas and theatres. Cape Town is a lot of fun!

Cape Town is a cosmopolitan city. There are Italian, Turkish, Japanese, Indian and French restaurants, and many more! It is by the sea, so there is a lot of delicious fresh seafood. Also, because of the lovely weather, there is a lot of fresh fruit and vegetables too, so the restaurants have the best ingredients. South Africans love their food.

There are cheap hotels near the airport, but for a really cheap holiday, stay at one of Cape Town's excellent campsites. The weather is warm, so a night in a tent is fun! For a five-star holiday, stay at one of the expensive but very comfortable hotels on the Waterfront. They have wonderful views.

You don't need a car in Cape Town. The MyCiTi buses are new and fast and go everywhere. There is also the Metrorail train, but this is slow and sometimes late. Take the ferry to the famous Robben Island for a really exciting day.

Answer the questions.

- 1 Where in South Africa is Cape Town?
- 2 When is a good time to visit? Why?
- 3 When is the best time for a beach holiday?
- 4 What do people do ... ?
 - on the beach
 - at vineyards
 - at the Victoria and Albert Waterfront
- 5 Why is the seafood so delicious?
- 6 Are all the hotels expensive?
- 7 Why is Cape Town a nice place to go camping?
- 8 What is a good way to see the city?

Complete the chart with adjectives from the text.

Adjectives	Nouns
<i>famous, spectacular, amazing</i>	Table Mountain
	weather
	beaches
	penguins
	vineyards
	night life
	city
	seafood
	hotels
	buses
	trains



Listening and writing

My home town

 **8.11** Listen to Ben. He lives in Cape Town. Tick (✓) the things he talks about.



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| ☐ his job | ☐ the weather | ☐ his friends |
| ☐ seafood | ☐ his girlfriend | ☐ French food |
| ☐ his brother | ☐ Boulders Beach | ☐ kitesurfing |
| ☐ sunbathing | ☐ football | ☐ penguins |

8.12 Listen to four conversations with Ben. Complete the table.

	Where is Ben?	Who is he talking to?
1		
2		
3		
4		

Everyday English

Directions

hotel bank chemist's pub railway station the Beach Café cinema
square newsagent's church supermarket football stadium campsite
restaurant surf school fish and chip shop garden centre souvenir shop

