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SPEAKING

Describing a photo

1 Translate the phrases into your own language.

SPEAKING BANK

Beginning a description

In this photo, I can see .../

there is .../there are ...

This photo shows ...

Saying where (place)

There are ... so I think they're

in a bookshop/art gallery/at

a concert, etc.

Saying where (in the photo)

in the background/in the

middle/in the foreground

on the left/on the right

in front of/behind/next to

Speculating

He/She looks shy/bored/

tired, etc.

She's probably ...

Perhaps/Maybe/I imagine/I'm

sure ...

Giving your opinion

I think .../I don't think .../

Personally, .../In my opinion, ...

2 Complete the descriptions with adjectives from the box. There are two extra words.

empty famous miserable noisy
proud quiet shy tired

I think this man in the foreground has won first prize.

He has a medal and he looks very proud.

1 They are standing in a forest and there is nobody else there. It's a very _____ place. I imagine there is only the sound of the wind in the trees.

2 There is nobody in the restaurant. It's completely _____. The waiter has nothing to do and he looks bored.

3 She's sitting next to this handsome guy, but she looks very uncomfortable and her face is red. Perhaps she's _____ and she doesn't know what to say.

4 They have just finished running a race I think, so they probably feel very _____.

5 It looks cold and wet. I don't think the family sitting on the beach are enjoying their day out. They all look really _____.

3 Put the words in order to make phrases. Then complete the descriptions.

shows / a / This / classroom / photo

This photo shows a classroom. The children are young and it looks noisy.

1 of / photo, / can / I / this / In / see / lots / photographers

They are all trying to take a picture of this lady.

2 in / I / so / think / he's

There are books everywhere, _____ a library, or maybe a bookshop.

3 nurse / middle / the / in / The

_____ looks very friendly.

4 so / looks / He / perhaps / smart, / very

_____ it is a job interview.

5 my / In / opinion

_____, shopping is a boring way to spend your time.

REMEMBER THIS

+ I think he's in a bookshop.

- I don't think he's in a library.

I think he isn't in a library.

4 Complete the description of the photo with the words and phrases from the box. There are two extra items.

happy I imagine In the middle looks
next to On the left Personally so I think
They are This photo shows

This photo shows people watching a film at

the cinema. There are children in the audience.

1 _____ it's a family film. In the foreground,

there is a family. 2 _____, there is a man holding a drink. He's probably the dad. 3 _____,

is a little boy. He 4 _____ about six or seven years old. His mum is sitting 5 _____ him.

They all look really 6 _____. They are laughing,

so 7 _____ they're watching a comedy.

