

CULTURE

MUSEUMS AROUND THE WORLD

FACTFILE

Museums around the world

We can find museums in countries all over the world. There are museums for all types of people: museums about animals, sport, art, culture, science, the past and lots more. Here are four great museums, in four different English-speaking countries. Young people everywhere can enjoy them:

- ★ the Hockey Hall of Fame
- ★ Questacon
- ★ MOMA
- ★ the Natural History Museum

1 Work in pairs. Discuss the questions.

- 1 Which adjectives do you think of when you hear the word 'museum'? Tick (✓) them.

beautiful	boring	cheap	exciting
expensive	interesting	new	old

- 2 Is there a museum near where you live? What type of museum is it?
- 3 How often do you visit museums? Often, sometimes or never?
- 4 Do you like visiting museums? Why / Why not?

2 Look at the photos on the web page and the names of the museums in the Factfile. Which museums do you *think* are in the text? Tick (✓) them.

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| A science museum | ☐ |
| A history museum | ☐ |
| An art museum | ☐ |
| A sports museum | ☐ |
| A toy museum | ☐ |



3 Read the web page quickly. Were your answers in Exercise 2 correct?




I'm Karen. I'm from Canada. My favourite museum in Canada is the Hockey Hall of Fame. It's a museum about ice hockey. Ice hockey is Canada's national winter sport! The museum is in Toronto. I really like this museum because I love sport. My favourite thing is Shoot Out. You **play ice hockey** with a famous hockey player. It isn't a real person. It's the size of an adult and it's on a computer. It's cool!




I'm James. I'm from Australia. My favourite museum in Australia is Questacon. It's a museum about science and technology. Questacon is in Canberra, the capital city of Australia. I like this museum because I love science. You can **do experiments**. But my favourite activity is robot hockey. You can **play air hockey**. You play against a robot. It's awesome!




I'm Matt and I'm from the USA. My favourite museum in the USA is MOMA (Museum of Modern Art). That's right, it's a museum of art and it's in New York, the biggest city in the USA. I like this museum because I love modern art. My favourite activity is the Art Passport. You **draw pictures** and **answer questions** when you **visit the museum**. It's great!

4 Read the web page again. Complete the table for the first three museums.

Name of museum	Hockey Hall of Fame	Questacon	MOMA	Natural History Museum
Country		Australia		
City	Toronto			
Type of museum			modern art	
Fun activity				the Dinosaur Trail

5 Complete the phrases with the verbs.

answer do draw play play visit

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| 1 _____ ice hockey | 4 _____ pictures |
| 2 _____ experiments | 5 _____ questions |
| 3 _____ air hockey | 6 _____ the museum |

VOCABULARY

1 Write the words below the pictures.



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2 Complete the text with one or two words in each gap.

It's the first day of our holiday today and I'm very happy because I'm not (1) school today. My parents are (2) a party. They're (3) some old friends from school. My sister is (4) with her friends to a café and my brother is (5) shopping. He wants to buy a new phone. He's (6) his friends at the shops. I'm with Jordan, my best friend. We are (7) the new football museum and then we want to (8) a friend's house to see his new dog.

GRAMMAR

3 Write *and*, *or*, *because* or *but* to complete the sentences.

- 1 Trains are a good way to travel there isn't a station near me.
- 2 Mexico is a beautiful country the food is delicious.
- 3 I want to learn English it is important to be able to speak it.
- 4 Shall we go by tram bus?
- 5 What would you like? You can have bread and butter, pasta soup.
- 6 We took a bus, a train finally a taxi.
- 7 The underground is faster you see more of the city on the bus.
- 8 We want to go to the cinema there's a good movie on.

4 Complete the conversations with *Shall we* or *Let's* and a verb from the box.

ask	cook	do	go	go	go out
make	meet				

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Alice: Peter, (1) to the park on Saturday morning.

Peter: OK, but I've got a tennis lesson at 10.

Alice: (2) after your lesson?

Peter: Yes, that's a good idea.

(3) at the park.

Alice: OK, (4) John to come too?

Peter: Great! (5) that.

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Tom: What (6) for dinner?

Olivia: I know, (7) a pizza.

Tom: I don't like pizza. (8) to eat?

Olivia: Great idea! But can you give me some money?

Tom: Oh!