

THE EXCHANGE STUDENT

1 Cooper is from Sydney, Australia. He's an exchange student staying with Bethan in Caernarfon, Wales, in the UK. It's summer in Australia at the moment, but it's winter in the UK. Cooper doesn't like the cold weather. He's making a video diary to remember his trip.



2 **Cooper:** Today we're at Caernarfon Castle. Bethan, can you tell us about the castle? How old is it?

Bethan: Well, it's nearly eight hundred years old. It's the most popular castle in Wales and I think it's the most beautiful too. What's the most popular place in Sydney?

Cooper: The Opera House, I think. It's also one of the most unusual buildings in the world. Oh, no! It's starting to rain. Is it always this cold here?

Bethan: No, it's lovely here in the summer, but January is the coldest month. Come on, let's go inside the castle.



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Cooper: Today we're sailing on the Menai Strait. Bethan is an expert sailor.

Bethan's dad: Ha ha!

Cooper: That bridge is amazing!

Bethan: Yes, it's the Menai Bridge! It connects the mainland to Anglesey. Did you know that's the biggest island in Wales?

Cooper: Really? How long is the bridge?

Bethan: Oh, I don't know.

Bethan's dad: It's 417 metres long and 30 metres high.

Now come and help me with the boat.