

Post Task Activity

Before reading the complete text, read this first paragraph:

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Answer the questions:

1. What is the reading going to be about (main topic)?
 - A) Deterioration in the beauty of Coconut Island
 - B) Reasons to travel to Coconut Island
 - C) Water pollution on Coconut Island
 - D) Coconut Island Location

Read the complete text: While reading, pay attention to differences between then and now on Coconut Island

Tourism: Reading

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Well, I have a friend who was here five years ago. Her photo album is full of wonderful pictures of empty beaches. Also, she has pictures of small, wooden bungalows on the beach. No need to book, she said, just turn up and you have the place to yourself – very basic, very cheap, very quiet, and very peaceful. Not anymore! The beach is never empty – it's packed all day! There is music blaring from the cafes, children are shouting and screaming, and the hotels are very expensive.

Then I see an old woman trying to cross the road from her house to the shops. It's no longer a small, quiet road, but a large and very busy one. She looks nervous and waits for someone to walk with her. It's not so safe either – my friend stayed in a

bungalow on the beach that had no lock. Now the hotel room says it's a good idea to put things in the safe box.

Is this progress?

Fill the chart with the information that you remember (do not read the text again):

Change	Coconut Island 5 years ago	Coconut Island Today
accommodation	cheap bungalows	expensive hotels
scenery		
transport		

Information adapted from:

<https://www.onestopenglish.com/reading/reading-lesson-plans-tourism/154740.article>