

VANCOUVER

Read the text and fill in the blanks with an appropriate word.

Vancouver is western Canada is named (1)..... Captain George Vancouver of the British Royal Navy. However, Captain Vancouver was not the first European (2)..... visit the area --- the coast (3)..... already been explored by the Spanish. Nor did Captain Vancouver spend many days there, even (4)..... the scenery amazed him and everyone else (5)..... was traveling with him.

The scenery still amazes visitors to (6)..... city of Vancouver today. First time visitors who are (7)..... search of breathtaking views are usually directed to a beach about ten minutes (8)..... the city center. There, looking out over the sailing boats racing across the blue water, visitors see Vancouver's towering skyline backed by the magnificent Coast Mountains.

The city is regularly picked by international travel associations (9)..... one of the worlds best tourist destinations. They are only confirming what the two million residents and eight million tourists visiting Great Vancouver (10)..... single year are always saying there is simply (11)..... other place on earth quite (12)..... it. It's not just the gorgeous setting that appeals to people, (13)..... also Vancouver's wide range of sporting cultural and entertainment facilities.

