

Places

Grammar

Use the phrases a)-g) to complete the first part of the brochure below, and phrases h)-n) to complete the second paragraph. Write the letters in the blanks.

Paragraph 1

- a) stunning landscape
- b) before the main tourist season
- c) the Aegean light reflecting off the blue and white-washed architecture
- d) a series of cataclysmic volcanic eruptions
- e) a two-week break
- f) a thousand other eager tourists
- g) spectacular sunsets the island is famous for

Paragraph 2

- h) dense, more traditionally Islamic downtown area
- i) a day trip to Petra
- j) well-organised city
- k) many Roman ruins that sprinkle the city
- l) everyone, whatever their tastes
- m) mesmerising city carved into the rock at Wadi Musa
- n) slick suburbs to the west, lined with cafés and art galleries



Easy trips

Why not visit Santorini, Greece, for ¹_____?

Santorini's ²_____ was sculpted by ³_____.

Come and enjoy the ⁴_____. It pays to visit ⁵_____, when you can watch ⁶_____ without having to battle with ⁷_____ keen to enjoy the scene.

Or take a trip to the ⁸_____ of Amman, Jordan, where old meets new. Split between ⁹_____, and the

¹⁰_____, Amman has something to offer ¹¹_____.

Maybe you could take ¹²_____, the ¹³_____, or visit some of the ¹⁴_____.

Listening

Listen to a guide to Paris. Which of the topics in the box does the speaker mention?

- terraced cafés
- the smell of bread
- theatre culture
- busy restaurants
- cobbled streets
- clichés
- designer handbags
- famous department stores
- poodles
- the Eiffel Tower
- the Pompidou Centre
- flea markets
- French wine
- velib bikes

Listen again. Are the statements true or false? Write T or F.

- 1 The terraced cafés are an important part of the flavour of Paris.
- 2 Paris does not have as much style as you would expect.
- 3 It's a wonderfully romantic city to spend time in.
- 4 Paris is not at all like you would expect from the clichés you hear.
- 5 It's not worth visiting the classic sights like the Eiffel Tower because there are too many tourists.
- 6 The real beauty of Paris is often hidden from the view of the tourist.
- 7 It's a good idea to hire a velib bike and cycle round the streets of Paris, like a Parisian would.
- 8 There is a lot to do in Paris, but you shouldn't try to do too much. Take your time to enjoy the city.