

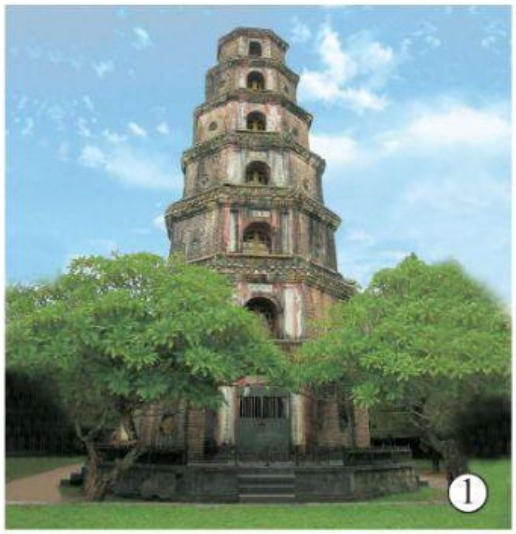
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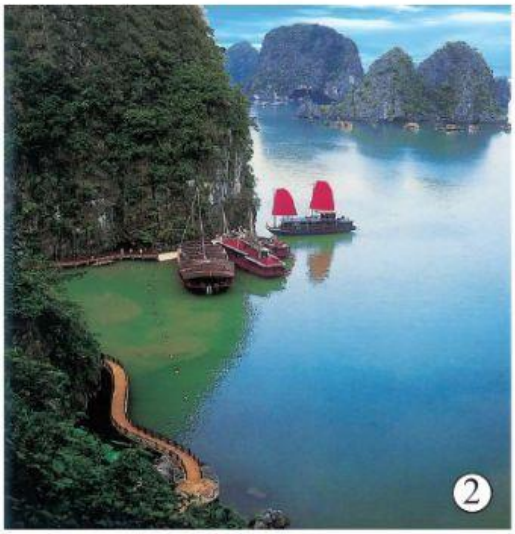
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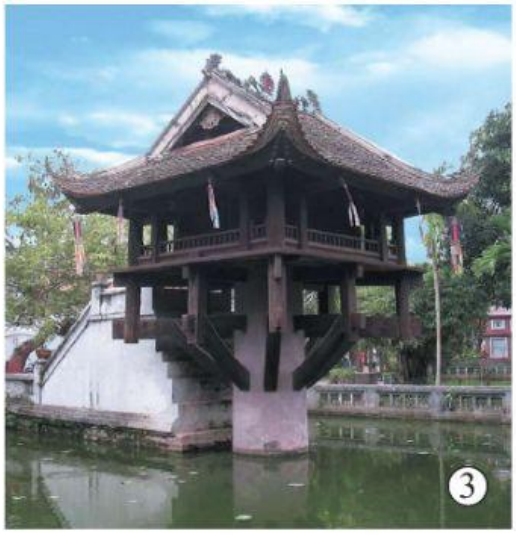
A. READING

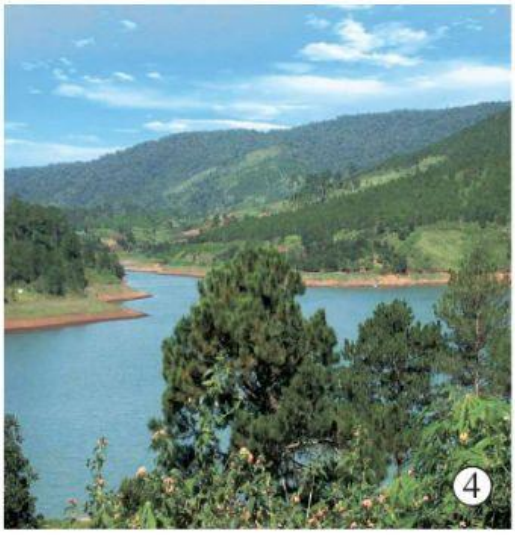
Before you read

Work in pairs. Match the photos with the information below, and then tell each other which of the places you would like to visit and give reasons.









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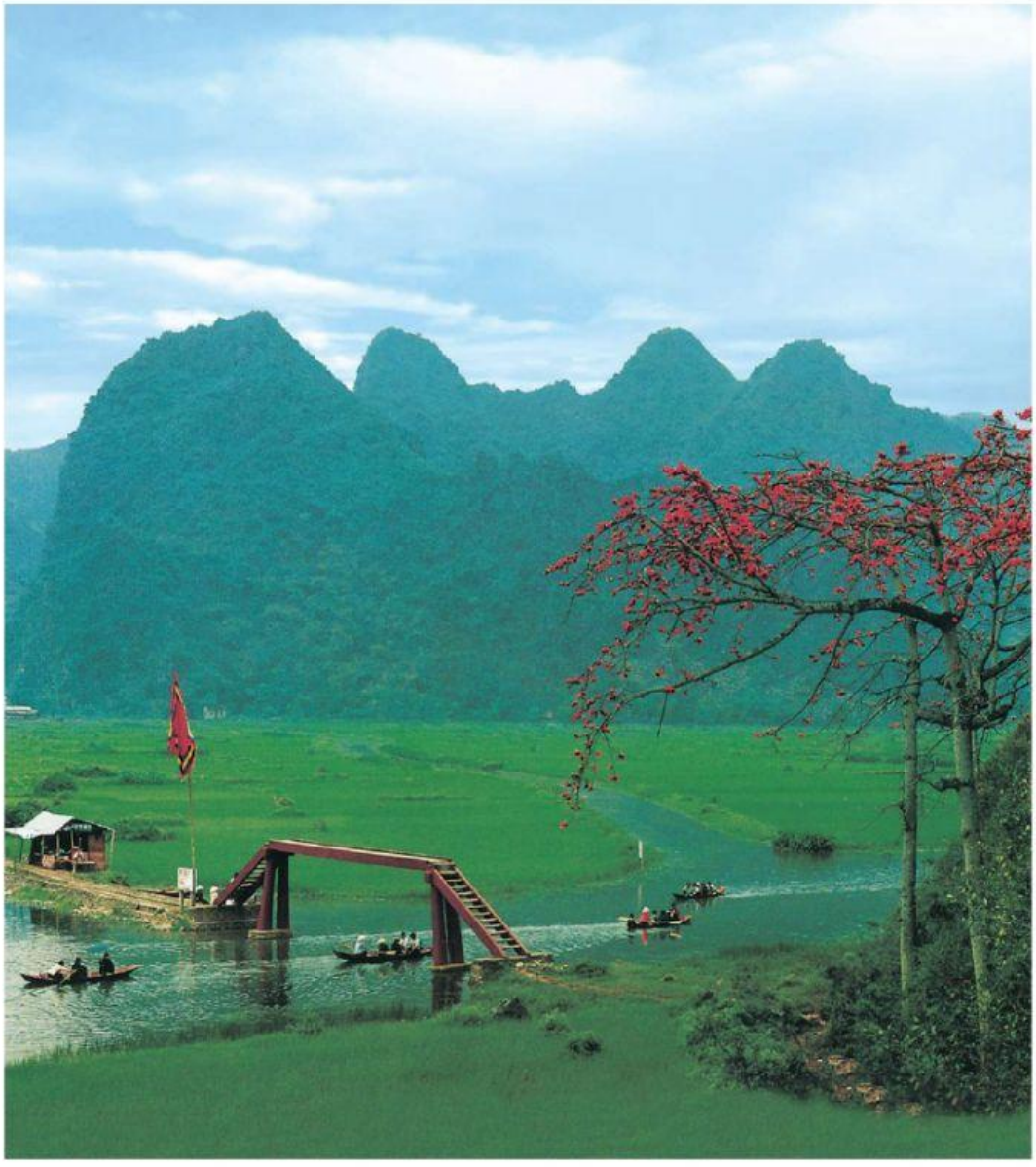
a. Built in 1049, in the shape of a lotus

b. Picturesque site, wonder of the world, 165 kilometres from Hanoi

c. Mountain resort (altitude: 1,500 m) with some wonderful places to visit: Xuan Huong Lake, pine forests, waterfalls...

d. On the left bank of the Huong River, 6 kilometres from Hue City

While you read



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Read the letter and then do the tasks that follow.

Dear Minh,

I'm writing to tell you a piece of news. The first term is coming to an end soon and my school is going to have some days off. On this occasion, my class is visiting some caves near Hanoi as we have recently studied rock formations. Besides, many of us have never been inside a cave, so I suppose the trip will be very interesting.

At first, we wanted to travel to Thay Pagoda because it is only over 20 kilometres away, and we could go on a day excursion.

However, only today have we learnt that the caves near Thay Pagoda are closed until after Tet. So we are visiting the ones near Huong Pagoda instead. A night campfire on a two-day trip will be a great event in our schooldays!

To make the trip cheap, we are bringing our own food and sharing buses with some other classes.

It is much warmer now. I believe we're going to enjoy good weather with lots of sunshine.

The only problem I seem to have is getting my parents' permission. They may not want to let me stay the night away from home. I'll try to persuade them.

That's all for now. Give my love to your parents and sister.

Yours,

Lan



☞ **Task 1.** Choose the best answer A, B, C or D to complete each of the sentences.

1. Lan wrote the letter to _____.

A. inform Minh of her days off

B. complain about her parents

C. tell Minh about the plan for her class trip

D. talk about what she and her classmates will do at Huong Pagoda

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2. The students decided to go on an excursion because they wanted to _____.

A. understand their geography lessons better

B. relax after work

C. have a campfire

D. A and B

3. The students have changed their destination as _____ Thay Pagoda.

A. it is impossible to visit the caves near

B. it costs them a lot to visit

C. they prefer Huong Pagoda to

D. many of them have been to

☞ **Task 2.** Answer the questions.

1. When are Lan and her classmates going on a trip?
2. Why are they visiting some caves?
3. How far is Thay Pagoda from their school?
4. What are the students' plans for their trip to Huong Pagoda?
5. What is Lan anxious about? Why?

After you read

Fill each blank in the summary of the letter with a suitable group of words from the box below.

her classmates	want to see	their trip	is going to go on
have learnt	to persuade them	some caves	only problem

Lan's class (1) _____ a two-day excursion to visit (2) _____ near Huong Pagoda. They (3) _____ with their own eyes what they (4) _____ in their geography lessons recently and relax after their hard work, as well. They have planned (5) _____ carefully. For Lan, the (6) _____ is getting her parents' permission. She will try (7) _____ so that she will be able to join (8) _____ on the excursion.

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