

1. Read the text and find the answers.

Which paragraph talks about...

- a) Kayaking? _____
- b) Walking? _____
- c) New Zealand and New Zealanders? _____
- d) The Abel Tasman National Park? _____



1 Hello, my name's Adele and I live in New Zealand. It's a beautiful country with two big islands and lots of small ones. We've got mountains, rivers, lakes and beautiful beaches too. The animals here are very unusual – there are some, like the kiwi bird that you don't find in any other part of the world. People here often go walking, biking and camping, and there are fourteen National Parks where you can enjoy nature and outdoor activities.



2. I've been to lots of National Parks, but my favourite is the Abel Tasman. It's in the north coast of the south island. It's got sandy beaches with amazing cliffs. I went camping there last year with my family. It was great. We arrived to the campsite in a water taxi on Friday lunchtime. We wanted to have a barbecue, but we couldn't because there was a fire alert. We had to have sandwiches!



3. After lunch, dad checked with the visitor centre and they said the weather was going to be good, so we went kayaking. It was fantastic, the water was clear and we could see fish swimming in the sea. The best part was when we saw some dolphins swimming around us. My sister and I wanted to dive with them. But dad didn't think it was a good idea because it's difficult to get back into the kayak.



4. The next day, we trekked along the coast. The path crosses an estuary, so mum checked the tides. You can only cross two hours before or after high tide, at other times it's dangerous because the water covers the beach. The walk was fun except for one part. We had to cross a river on a suspension bridge. It was 46 meters long and it moved when you walked on it. I was really scared. When we were back at the campsite we watched the stars. I didn't want to go home.



2. Drop the answers under the questions

In the visitor centre

They couldn't have a barbecue

It is only found in New Zealand

Adele and her sister

The bridge moved when you walked on it

In the North coast of the South island

By water taxi

You can enjoy nature and do outdoor activities

There are two big islands

Two hours before or after a high tide

1. How many big islands is New Zealand made of?

6. Why did they have sandwiches for lunch?

2. Why is the kiwi bird unusual?

7. Where can you ask for a weather report?

3. What can you do in the New Zealand's National Parks?

8. Who wanted to swim with the dolphins?

4. Where is the Abel Tasman Park?

9. When is it safe to cross the estuary?

5. How did they arrive at the park?

10. Why was she scared?

12. Listen to the story and number the pictures.



