

1 Read the tip.

Tip

Good readers can predict the topic and content of a text from the pictures and the title. This helps readers to understand a text quickly.

Look at the title and pictures on page 31 and discuss the questions.

1 Which six words do you think are in the text?

cold fall gloves hot rain jacket
sunbathe temperature windy

2 Can you guess what the text is about?

2 Read the text quickly and check your answers in exercise 1.

3 Read the questions. Read the text again and answer the questions.

1 What is the season during Toby's visit?

He is visiting Australia in the summer.

2 Why do people in Coober Pedy live in caves?

3 Where is Toby staying?

4 What is Massimo's aunt's job?

5 What do people wear in the winter in Antarctica?

6 What's the weather usually like in Quidbó?

7 What's the weather like at the market?

4 Match the sentence halves. Read again and check.

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| 1 Coober Pedy | a is cold in the summer. |
| 2 Inside the caves, it | b is a problem. |
| 3 Halley, Antarctica | c isn't hot in the summer. |
| 4 Quidbó, Colombia, | d is interesting. |
| 5 The rain in Quidbó | e is beautiful. |

5 Discuss the questions.

- 1 Which is your favorite place: Coober Pedy, Halley, or Quidbó? Why?
- 2 Do you know any places with extreme weather? What are they like?

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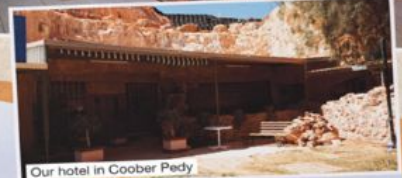
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I'm visiting Coober Pedy, Australia. Today is January 6 and it's 47°C. Coober Pedy is interesting because there are homes, stores, and hotels in caves under the ground! The caves are always the same temperature inside, so they aren't hot in summer, and they aren't cold at night. It's 21°C inside our hotel room, and it doesn't have windows or air-conditioning.

Toby Park, Oxford, the U.K.



My hotel room in Coober Pedy



Our hotel in Coober Pedy



My aunt in Halley, Antarctica

My aunt is a scientist and she works in Halley, Antarctica. It's cold and very windy. It's never over 0°C in summer. In winter, it's -30°C and the wind is 150 km/h, so people wear two pairs of gloves and special boots. In this picture, it's winter and my aunt is wearing three sweaters, a hoodie, and a coat!

Massimo Balestri, Milan, Italy

We're staying with my grandparents in Quidbó, Colombia. It's beautiful here and the people are friendly. The only problem is the rain! Every year, there are over 300 days of rain in Quidbó. Today, we're visiting a market. It's raining, so I'm wearing a rain jacket. But I'm really hot because it's 31°C!

Ana Souza, Belém, Brazil



Quidbó, Colombia