How to describe a picture.

1) Where? Choose the right word in brackets.

This is a (park/street) in (the countryside/town). It looks like (a pedestrianised area/ a busy road) because there are (lots of cars/no cars.) In the background there is (a garage/ a shopping mall) and two shops.

2) When? Put the missing words back.

The scene is taking place during the _____. It's not very _____ though and I think it's quite _____ because the people are wearing _____

> bright cold day coats

Tip: Use adjectives when describing things: e.g cold, gray day / happy, smiling faces/ small wooden table/ brown woolly hat

In the background

In the foreground.

Why? This question is usually harder – it is a higher level skill. When you have described everything – ask yourself and answer questions like this:

1) Why are the two young people posing for the camera?
2) Why are they meeting up?
3) Are they the same nationality?
4) What do you think happened immediately before the photo was taken?
5) Who took the photo?
6) What will they do next?
7) What is on the table?
8) Do you think the ladies who are sitting down are selling the items?

Who and **what?** **How many?** Put the missing words back. There are _____ people in the foreground, a man and a woman. They look _____ and they are _____. They are posing for the _____. He is _____ a big hat and a pancho. They are both young. The woman has got long brown _____ and she is wearing a blue and _____ jacket and a brown hat. Just _____ them, to the left, some women are sitting at a _____. In the background, a group of women are _____ outside a shop.

> table happy two smiling camera yellow shop wearing hair behind chatting

Refer to **the five senses** – what can people **see, hear, smell, taste, touch/feel**. In this picture – maybe they feel cold, because they are wearing coats. They feel happy, because they are smiling.