TRAVEL PHOTOGRAPHY



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1 Warm up

Look at the different types of photography and discuss what they are. Match the different types of photography with the photos. What type of photography do you like and why?

aerial photography
architectural photography
fashion photography
landscape photography
photojournalism
portrait photography
selfies
travel photography
wildlife photography



1. _____



2. _____



3. _____



4. _____



5. _____



6. _____



7. _____



8. _____



9. _____

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2 Word form

Part 1: Look at the different words 1-5 below. What is the difference in meaning? What is the form of each word? How many syllables are in each word and where is the main stress? Discuss with your partner.

1. Photographs
2. Photography
3. Photograph
4. Photographer
5. Photogenic

a. A person who takes photos, either as a job or hobby.

b. Pictures produced using a camera.

c. Take a picture using a camera.

d. The activity or skill of taking or processing photographs.

e. Having a face that looks attractive in photographs

Match the words with their correct definitions above.



Part 2: Complete the sentences with the correct word.

1. I think I am pretty good at taking _____.
2. My dad used to be a _____ for a local newspaper.
3. I love to _____ sunsets when I go to the beach.
4. I want to study _____ at university when I leave school.
5. I hate having my photograph taken. I am not _____ and always look terrible.

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3 Talking point

In pairs, discuss the following questions. Try to give extended answers.

1. Do you like taking photos?
2. How often do you take photos?
3. Do you like taking selfies?
4. Would you like to improve your photography skills?
5. Do you organise your photos?
6. Do you like people taking photos of you?

4 Language in context

Part A: Look at some responses to the previous task. Develop sentences 1-6 by adding a sentence from a-f below. Then match each response to the questions above.

1. Honestly, not as much as I would like.
2. Not really, I should as I have hundreds of photos stored on my phone.
3. Sometimes. I like it when people take natural photos of me when I am not looking.
4. Not at all. I rarely take them.
5. I have a real passion for it! I photograph everything from what I eat to the adventures I go on.
6. Yes, as I'm an absolute amateur!

a. I need to delete some.

b. I always forget to capture the moments.

c. I hate posing for photos as I never know where to look or what to do.

d. I'd like to go on a weekend course to learn the basics.

e. I also have a lot of photos of my cat.

f. I don't understand why people want to continuously snap photos of themselves.

Part B: In pairs, discuss the meaning of the following words and phrases from the context.

1. pose for a photo
2. capture a moment
3. store photos
4. snapping photos
5. an amateur
6. a passion for something

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5 Pronunciation

Compare the pronunciation of the underlined letters and decide if the sound is the same or different.

		same or different?
1) capture	amateur	
2) pose	snap	
3) store	moment	
4) passion	amateur	

6 Vocabulary

Match the vocabulary to the definitions.

1. intricate
2. marble
3. stunning
4. overland

a. (adj.) extremely beautiful
b. (n) a type of hard rock that has a pattern of lines going through it
c. (adj.) travel across the land in a vehicle, on foot or on a horse; not by sea or air
d. (adj.) having a lot of different parts and small details that fit together

7 Listening

Listen to two people talking about one of their favourite travel photographs and answer the following questions.

	When was the photograph taken?	What is the photograph of?	Why is it one of their favourite photos?
Speaker one	1	2	3
Speaker two	4	5	6

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8 Speaking

Read the cue card below. You have one minute to think about what you are going to say. You can make notes to help you. After one minute, talk for two minutes about your photo.

Describe one of your favourite travel photographs.

You should say:

- when the photograph was taken
- what the photo is of
- what memories you have from the photo
- explain why it is one of your favourite photographs

In groups, discuss the following Part 3 questions.

1. What are the advantages and disadvantages of taking photographs?
2. How has modern technology changed the way we take photographs?
3. What makes a good photo?



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9 Optional extension / homework

Part 1: Read the following responses to the three questions and complete the sentences with a word from the box.

digital / downsides / shots / share / advantage / lighting / frame / selfies

I think the biggest _____[1] is having memories of special people and moments and being able to look back at times, both good and bad. When I visit my parents, I love going through old photographs together while having a trip down memory lane. The other benefit is that it is a great hobby. Taking photos can be a lot of fun and it is interesting seeing what _____[2] you have taken. The _____[3] include people being so worried about getting a great shot that they miss the moment. It is better to just enjoy it and take it all in. Another is, nowadays people are obsessed with taking _____[4] which I think is a bit unhealthy especially as most of them are touched up and filtered. And finally, because of social media, people take way too many photos and post absolutely everything on social media which is boring.

Technology has completely changed the way we take photos. _____[5] photography and smartphones have made photography more accessible. It is so easy for people to take and _____[6] photos. You can also edit your photos at the press of a button. Nowadays, people don't print photos but instead, have digital folders. It is a shame as it is not the same as looking through a printed album.

Well, the subject matter is important. You need to capture something interesting and visually appealing. Then after that good technical skills help like knowing how to _____[7] the photo, and the general composition of the photo. Elements like _____[8], lines, shapes and colour all help make a good picture.

Part 2: In pairs, read the phrases below from the answers and match them to the correct meaning.

1.	take a trip down memory lane (idiom)	a.	done very easily
2.	at the press of a button (idiom)	b.	much better than anticipated
3.	touch something up (phrasal verb)	c.	improve something by making small changes or additions
4.	exceed expectations (collocation)	d.	remember happy times in the past

Answer the following questions.

1. Who do you enjoy **taking trips down memory lane** with?
2. What do you love being able to do **at the touch of a button**?
3. When was the last time something **exceeded your expectations**?

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