



SPEAKING

Where you live

Part 3

- 1 Think about a city or town you know or have visited. Tick (✓) the places you go/went to.

bowling alley ☐ cafés ☐ cinemas ☐ market ☐
 museum ☐ shopping malls ☐ sports centre ☐
 theatre ☐

Write them in order of importance for you. (most important = 1)

- 2 Compare your lists in a group. Use some of these expressions.

I think ... is the most/least important because ...
 For me, ... is less important than ... because ...
 I'd prefer to go to / I'd rather go to ... than ... because ...
 My favourite place is ...
 I would like to ... but we don't have one.

- 3 Are there enough things for teenagers to do in your area? Which things would you like to be able to do?

- 4 Work in pairs. What are the people in the photos doing? Do teenagers enjoy going to these places in your country? Why?



- 5 You're going to work in a group of three. Think about how you will agree and disagree with the others. Mark these expressions A (agree) or D (disagree).

I don't think that's a good idea. I agree with you.
 I think it would be better to That's what I think too.
 I think you're right. I disagree.

Exam tip

It is OK not to agree with each other. The discussion you have is more important than coming to a final agreement.

Exam task

Work in groups of three. Your town wants to build new leisure facilities for young people. Discuss if the places in the photographs would be popular and decide which place should be built.

Part 4

- 6 Do you live in a city, town or village? Tick (✓) the words and expressions below you can use to talk about it.

mining ☐ fishing ☐ quiet ☐
 mountain ☐ rural ☐ farming ☐
 medium-sized ☐ university ☐
 crowded ☐ sleepy ☐ capital ☐
 historic ☐ modern ☐ wide streets ☐
 a lot of traffic ☐ an old market square ☐
 in the mountains ☐ not far from ... ☐
 in the middle of nowhere ☐ by a lake ☐
 in the countryside ☐ in the centre of ... ☐
 in an area called ... ☐

- 7 Now work with a partner. Use the words and expressions from Exercise 6 to answer these questions.

- 1 How would you describe your city/town/village?

I live in an industrial city.

My village is quite isolated.

- 2 What do you like about the place where you live? What do you dislike about it?

I love living on the coast.

Exam task

Practise asking your partner his/her opinion on these questions.

- What are the advantages of living in the middle of a city? Why?
- Do you think it's better to live in a city, or in a village in the countryside? Why?
- Is it better for children to grow up in one place or move around? Why?