

A DESCRIPTION OF A PLACE

1 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

1. Neither car park _____ (have) many spaces, so make sure you arrive early.
2. Don't worry. Three hours _____ (be) plenty of time to see everything in the park.
3. Neither the centre of the town nor the outskirts _____ (have) changed much in the last 100 years.
4. Each of the towers _____ (offer) a great view from the platform.
5. The Giant's Causeway is an amazing area of flat stones which _____ (be) free to visit – but only if you come on foot or by bike.
6. Ten euros _____ (seem) very reasonable for a three-hour guide.

2 Complete the chart with the information below to show the correct plan for a description.

Describe the place	Sum up	Give examples of things you can see or do
State the name and location of the place		Give an opinion or recommendation
Say why the place is special		

Opening	
Body	
Closing	

3 Match the questions to the parts of the text where the information should be found. O (opening), B (body) or C (closing).

1. What attractions are there to see? ____
2. Why is it special? ____
3. How does the writer feel about visiting this place? ____
4. Where is it situated? ____
5. What things are there to do? ____
6. What interesting facts are there about it? ____
7. What is its name? ____
8. What is its history? ____

4 Match the questions from Exercise 3 to the answers below.

- ___ a. Queen Elizabeth I visited the city in the 16th century and described it as a 'little London'. There is still a street called Little London today.
- ___ b. Chichester.
- ___ c. The Romans settled in the area in about 44 AD. The Saxons arrived in the fifth or sixth century, and the first cathedral was built in 1075.
- ___ d. It is a historic city and an important cultural centre, as well as having a lively nightlife and excellent shops.
- ___ e. While in Chichester, don't miss the Pallant Art Gallery and try to see a play at one of the theatres in the area.
- ___ f. The Roman Palace, the old city walls, the cathedral and the market cross.
- ___ g. Chichester is definitely worth visiting. In fact, I would recommend spending a few days here.
- ___ h. On the south coast of England.