

## Part 1

Hi,

I'm so excited that you're coming to stay with me for a \_\_\_\_\_! On your first evening here, there's a rock \_\_\_\_\_ in our town. Would you like to go or would you prefer us to \_\_\_\_\_ at home? Also, I've got great \_\_\_\_\_, we go we can go climbing in the mountains but you'll have to bring your \_\_\_\_\_. Let me know if you have any \_\_\_\_\_.

See you soon.

Sandy

## Part 2

Order the sentences below to make a story. [Questions 1 to 7]. The first one is done for you.

1. I woke up early on Saturday because I wanted to find a new place to live

2 As I don't need a big kitchen, I decided on the first place.

3 I chose those four to look at because all the others were too expensive.

4 I found the addresses of four places I wanted to see.

5 The next three needed too many repairs and were not as close to my office.

6 Before I left the house, I checked the newspaper and the internet.

7 The first one I saw was close to where I work but the kitchen was quite small.

**1. I woke up early on Saturday because I wanted to find a new place to live.**

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### PART 3

**Julia Finch** is a busy lawyer who loves nature but doesn't get nearly enough of it sitting in her London office all day, so she often takes advantage of Wisley Garden, only an hour's drive from Central London. "My favourite thing is that there is always something new to see. The garden collection has been developing for more than 100 years and far surpasses anything I've ever seen. It's a lovely, peaceful place for a stroll, and it's so vast that it doesn't get crowded. I get ideas for my own garden from the great demonstration gardens full of practical ideas and techniques. I can even incorporate my other favourite hobby of photography by bringing my camera and clicking away. It's perfect for a great day out"

**Martha Roberts** is an architect who enjoys her job so much that her work is also her hobby. "My favourite piece of architecture to study in my free time is The Royal Pavilion in Brighton. I try to get some of my co-workers to go with me, since it isn't all that far from London, but they're usually too busy. The Pavilion was built for King George IV and if ever a building represented the concept of 'over the top', this is it. The pseudo Indian palace, with Chinese-influenced interiors, is a riot of colour, expensive fabrics, crystal and gilt. It's not the sort of style I would ever like in my own house, but I do find inspiration for my work in everything I look at."

**Jessica Green** is a hardworking student who needs a break from the books once in a while, and makes Brighton her favourite one-day destination. "I love being by the sea, and it's so close to London that whenever I feel like it, I just jump on a train and in 55 minutes I'm there. Brighton evolved from a small fishing village into England's most famous seaside resort, and offers all the traditional attractions, including restaurants, nightlife, miles of sandy beaches and two piers. I always eat at this great self-service restaurant, which is also modestly priced. My favourite spot, though, is a small strip of sand under one of the piers, where I can just sit all alone and hear nothing but the sea."

**Flora Evans**, a market analyst, feels she deserves an expensive treat after a busy week, which is why she often takes time to get away. "I go to Bath to visit my favourite luxury spa and enjoy the pools, which are fed by Britain's only natural hot springs. Sitting in the pool, with only the soft, gentle sound of moving water, is the ideal way to relax. And of course, a day of pampering is never complete without some shopping. Bath is one of the best shopping destinations outside London, with many specialist shops and a number of antique shops tucked away in the narrow streets. A good souvenir to buy is hand-blown glass, which takes its blue colour from the city's hot springs."

### Which person or people .....

1. admits that something is not to her taste?
2. enjoys watching people living their everyday lives?
3. mentions the fact that something is inexpensive?
4. mentions a long tradition associated with the place she visits?
5. suggests she spends a lot of money at her favourite destination?
6. like an area where there are not a lot of other people?
7. visits a place which gives her ideas related to her job?
8. sometimes has company when she visits her favourite place?
9. says she doesn't visit as frequently as she would like?
10. discovered her favourite destination purely by chance?

## PART 4

**Read the passage below quickly. Match a heading to each paragraph (1-7). The first one is done for you. There is one more heading than you need.**

### Plant-for-the-Planet

#### **1. A child's idea for the planet**

The children's initiative Plant-for-the-Planet, first launched in 2007, was brought to life by the then 9-year-old Felix Finkbeiner, who felt inspired to take action following a school report on the climate crisis. While carrying out his research, Felix became aware of Kenyan environmental activist and Nobel Peace laureate Wangari Maathai and her initiative that had led to the planting of 30 million trees over 30 years. By the time he had finished his research project, Felix had developed his own vision of 1 million trees being planted in each country by children around the world. Felix went on to other classes and schools to present his report and his vision. Just a few weeks later, on the 28th of March 2007, the first tree was officially planted.

#### **2.**

Over the next two years Felix brought the Plant-for-the-Planet initiative to the world. In June 2008, at the UNEP children's conference in Norway, Felix presented his vision. 700 children delegates, from over 105 countries were so inspired that they voted Felix onto the UNEP Junior Board. Felix has since spoken at many important environmental and climatic events. In August 2009 at the UNEP Tunza Children and Youth Conference in Daejeon, South Korea, Plant-for-the-Planet officially progressed into a global children's movement. At this time hundreds of children from 56 different countries committed themselves to join the initiative and work towards planting 1 million trees in their own countries

#### **3.**

Of particular importance to the children is the conviction that it is most often developing countries that are hit hardest by the consequences of climate change. The children are convinced that a solution for climate justice can only be reached through the implementation of a binding global treaty. Plant-for-the-Planet children have been campaigning tirelessly and the children are also taking action themselves by planting trees. This is viewed both as a practical act, as each tree removes harmful CO<sub>2</sub> from the atmosphere, and as a pivotal symbolic action for climate justice.

4.

On May 4th 2010, 45 children from Plant-for-the-Planet, together with Environmental Ministers from Belgium, Denmark, Germany, Canada, Turkey and Mexico planted the one millionth tree in Germany. This planting initiative was held under the programme heading "Stop Talking. Start Planting", and took place alongside the so-called "Petersburg Climate Dialogue" being held in Bonn. This was also the location where preparations were being made for the climate summit in Cancun. Together with delegates and important participants in the World Climate Change Conference COP 16 in Cancun, December 2010, the children planted another 193 trees. Through this action the children were able to demonstrate to the participating representatives just how important it is that they adopt a global contract for climate justice.

5.

If the children were the government leaders, and had to face the big decisions at the next climate summit, they would already have a clear plan of action for the future. On 1st July 2010, the children handed over their "3-Point-Plan" to 133 embassies in Berlin. They also put forward their challenge to the government leaders to reveal their plans and proposed solutions for the climate crisis and subsequently the procurement of a safe future. Their plan:

- 1) Carbon to be shipped to the Museum: Zero emissions by 2050.
- 2) Climate Justice: If you want more carbon you have to pay for it.
- 3) Planting Trees: If 500 Million trees were planted every year, this would mean an additional 5 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> could be removed from the atmosphere.

6.

The world-wide slogan for Plant-for-the-Planet is "Stop Talking. Start Planting". The children are adamant in their belief that talking alone does not achieve results and that now is the time for action. This slogan has been adapted into an eye-catching promotion where the children stand alongside high profile community members, holding their hand over the respective community member's mouth and face. A number of prominent community members, such as Prince Albert II of Monaco, Gisele Bundchen and Muhammad Yunus, have already participated.

7.

Plant-for-the Planet is set up as a worldwide network. The individual clubs are represented by a world-wide board of directors. Children everywhere are able to cast their votes through the internet. The Foundation helps to fund the activities of children worldwide and the board, with an average age of 12, is probably one of the youngest foundation boards in the world. The tenure of a board member is one year and re-election is not allowed. Adults help the children with advice and practical support.