

ICFES TEST

ACTIVITY 14

Reading

Read the following sentences about landmarks. Read the descriptions below to decide if each sentence (1-10) is correct or incorrect. If it is correct, check ☒ box A. If it is incorrect, check ☒ box B.

0. These holiday destinations are located in Europe.

☐	A	☒ B
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1. These holiday destinations are for people who like peace and quiet.
2. These holiday destinations are for people who like adventure and sports.
3. Many different activities and sports are offered at these holiday destinations.
4. One of these destinations offers activities that require being physically fit.
5. All these landmarks have historic and architectural value.
6. One of these destinations is located in South America.
7. In two of these destinations, various water sports can be practiced.
8. All destinations have been recognized for their natural richness.
9. Two of these destinations are considered natural wonders of the world.
10. Three of these holiday destinations are on World Heritage listings.

1	A	B
2	A	B
3	A	B
4	A	B
5	A	B
6	A	B
7	A	B
8	A	B
9	A	B
10	A	B

Exploring Landmarks!

I've had the opportunity to travel and explore the historic, natural and architectural features of different landmarks around the world. Most of them are well-known world-wide and have either a functional or symbolic significance. I would say that the following holiday destinations should not be missed.

The Great Wall of China, one of the greatest wonders of the world, was listed as a World Heritage site by UNESCO in 1987. The Great Wall goes up, down and across mountains, grasslands, and flat terrains, extending 8,851.8 kilometers from east to west China. Although some of the sections are in ruins, it is still one of the world's most appealing attractions due to its architectural magnificence, spectacular views and historical worth. Visiting this landmark is an unforgettable experience for history lovers!

Mount Everest is the highest mountain in the world, measuring 8,848 meters above sea level, and located on the border between Nepal and China. It is also considered a natural wonder of the world. To go mountain climbing, mountain biking, hiking, and rock climbing, tourists need to be physically prepared and follow specific routes. During winter people can even go snowboarding. This is a unique experience that shouldn't be missed by adventure lovers!

The Coffee Triangle of Colombia was officially inaugurated into the UNESCO World Heritage Landscape listings on June 25th, 2011. Its centenary tradition of growing coffee makes this site an example of a productive cultural landscape worth visiting any time of the year. This unique and popular tourist destination offers theme parks like the National Coffee Park, where visitors learn about the process of making coffee, and Panaca Park, where people can interact with farm animals. The region also offers adventure sports like horseback riding, canoeing, rafting and paragliding as well as delicious typical food to suit all sorts of tastes. The people are very friendly and the prices are so reasonable that the risk is wanting to stay.

The Great Barrier Reef is one of the seven natural wonders of the world and is located in Australia. Its natural beauty makes it an extraordinary destination where visitors can see diverse marine wildlife while swimming with the fish and admiring the amazing colors of the coral reef. It has such wonderful biological diversity that it is a scuba diving paradise. It offers island day trips and scuba diving in the outer reef. A visit to this unique natural wonder is a must for any holiday!