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Cultural awareness

Tourist attractions in the United Kingdom

1 Look at the pictures. Which attractions look the most fun?

Fact box



There are over 50 amusement parks in the UK. The Blackgang Chine Park on the Isle of Wight, which first opened in 1843, is the oldest one in the UK!

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TEEN DAYS OUT IN THE UK

Are you looking for something different to do this weekend? We interviewed four teenagers at some unusual tourist attractions around the country!

BLUE PLANET AQUARIUM



If you're aged 8-15, like sharks and are good at swimming, this is the place for you. I always go swimming on Saturdays, but this weekend I'm not going to the sports centre. After a diving lesson at the aquarium, I'm going swimming with real sharks! The sharks aren't very big and they aren't dangerous. But your friends won't know that! Visiting the aquarium is quite expensive, but it's a good idea for a birthday present.

TEEN RATING 😊😊😊

Jack, 13, Stafford

MAGIC UNICORN THEME PARK



Unicorns are magical animals from legends, but this theme park isn't very magical. The rides and rollercoasters are OK, but nothing special. The only bit my friends and I like is the Magic Spell Academy, where they teach you to do magic tricks. We're not really enjoying our trip today!

TEEN RATING 😊

David, 14, Glasgow

BEAMISH, THE LIVING MUSEUM OF THE NORTH

Beamish is a 'living' museum. Instead of looking at old things, I'm actually experiencing life in the past! You can have a lesson at the village school, buy things in the old-fashioned shops and learn how to cook traditional food. I usually hate museums, but Beamish is different!

TEEN RATING 😊😊😊😊

Daisy, 14, Durham

Word check

shark old-fashioned traditional legend rollercoaster swing

GIANT SWING, ADRENALINE QUARRY

This isn't like swings you find in children's playgrounds. It's very high and really scary! I didn't think this would be so much fun, but it's better than a rollercoaster! You feel as if you are flying! The only problem is that it doesn't last very long.

TEEN RATING 😊😊😊😊

Anna, 15, Cardiff



Read and listen to the text. Then answer the questions.

1. Which attraction is scary and very big?

2. Which three attractions give you the chance to learn new skills?

3. Which place isn't suitable for young children?

4. Which two attractions are better than expected?

5. Which tourist attraction is expensive?

Answer the questions about an interesting tourist attraction in your country.

1. What is the most popular attraction for teenagers in your country?

2. What can you do there?

3. Do you think there are more interesting attractions in the UK or in your country?