

A Description of a Place

1 Complete the sentences with the adjectives and adverbs below.

crowded ■ seldom ■ steep ■ quietly ■ awful ■ usually ■ rather ■ luckily

- 1 The Parkers go abroad for their holidays, but this year, they are staying in the UK.
- 2 Our holiday in France was It rained all the time.
- 3 The hotel restaurant was , so we went to a quieter one across the street.
- 4 Kate was quite ill when she arrived in Rio de Janeiro. , she felt better the next day.
- 5 Our visit to the town was boring. There wasn't much to see.
- 6 Harry flies. He really doesn't like it.
- 7 The tourists waited for the lion to appear.
- 8 The mountain was It took us a long time to get to the top.

2 Tick the word that doesn't belong.

- 1 My friends and I **hardly ever** / **rarely** / **completely** go camping in the mountains.
- 2 The tourists danced **excitedly** / **enthusiastically** / **extremely** with the local people.
- 3 **Surprisingly** / **Excitedly** / **Incredibly**, there weren't many people on the beach.
- 4 The Underground in London is **commonly** / **generally** / **eagerly** called "the Tube".
- 5 Our trip to Africa didn't start well, but we were **regularly** / **fairly** / **pretty** satisfied at the end.

3 Complete the chart with the phrases below to show the correct plan for a description of a place.

gives a concluding sentence ■ says why the place is special ■ contains an opinion or a recommendation
gives a detailed description of the place ■ introduces the place, stating name and location ■
gives examples of things to see and do there

Opening:	
Body:	
Closing:	

4 These sentences are taken from a description of a place. Write where they belong: O (in the opening), B (in the body) or C (in the closing).

- 1 Sri Lanka has got something for every tourist.
- 2 It is a popular choice for a more exotic holiday.
- 3 The cities of Colombo and Galle are great for history lovers.
- 4 A trip to Sri Lanka is highly recommended for all travellers.
- 5 Yala National Park offers an impressive selection of wildlife.
- 6 Sri Lanka is a beautiful tropical island in the Indian Ocean.
- 7 Adam's Peak is a fantastic place to go to watch breathtaking sunrises.