

WATCH AND LISTEN



ACTIVATING YOUR KNOWLEDGE

PREDICTING CONTENT USING VISUALS

UNDERSTANDING MAIN IDEAS

PREPARING TO WATCH

- 1 Work with a partner. Make a list for each question.
 - 1 Which countries have a lot of ice and snow?
 - 2 What are some sports and games people play on ice or in the snow?
 - 3 What can people build from ice and snow?
- 2 You are going to watch a video about a festival of ice and snow. Before you watch, look at the photos and read the glossary. Discuss the questions with your partner.
 - 1 What country do you think this festival is in?
 - 2 What is the man doing in the second photo? Where do you think the ice came from?
 - 3 What do you think visitors can do at the festival?
 - 4 What do you think the festival looks like at night?

GLOSSARY

sculpture (n) a piece of art that is made from stone, wood, metal, etc.

brick (n) a hard square or rectangular thing used for building walls, houses, etc.

frozen (adj) If something is frozen, it has become hard because its temperature is below 0 °C.

pure (adj) clean; not mixed with other things

skyscraper (n) a very tall building

WHILE WATCHING

- 3 Watch the video. Write *T* (true) or *F* (false) next to the statements.
 - _____ 1 Harbin is having its first ice festival this year.
 - _____ 2 All of the ice bricks come from the river.
 - _____ 3 'Sun Island' is where people build snow sculptures.
 - _____ 4 Harbin is very cold in winter because of winds from Siberia.
 - _____ 5 The festival is exactly four weeks long.

4 Watch again. Complete the sentences.

- 1 People call Harbin the _____.
- 2 Around _____ people make the buildings and sculptures for the festival.
- 3 The _____ ice bricks are made of very clean water.
- 4 During the day, there are sculpture classes and _____.
- 5 The average temperature in winter is – _____ °C.
- 6 More than _____ people will visit the ice festival this year.
- 7 The first day of the festival is _____.

5 Watch again. Then choose the correct photo for each word in bold.

- 1 This stops air **bubbles** from freezing into the ice.



- 2 There are ice castles, ice skyscrapers and ice **slides**, which are very popular with children.



- 3 Visitors can play ice sports and games and see amazing **firework** shows.



- 4 Until the spring comes and the Ice City **melts** away for another year.



DISCUSSION

6 Work in a small group. Discuss the questions.

- 1 Would you like to go to Harbin's ice festival? Why / Why not?
- 2 Imagine you are going to Harbin's ice festival. Agree on a list of five to eight things to take with you. Compare your list with another group.

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