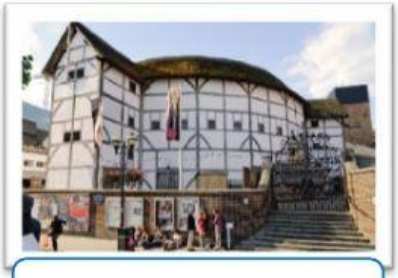
1. Look at the photos and label them.



The Globe Theatre | Big Ben | The Tower of London | The London Eye

2. Listen to the text and fill in the gaps.

Standing on the banks of the river Thames in the heart of London, England is the Palace of Westminster better known as the Houses of Parliament. The labyrinth of more than 300 miles of corridors _____ more than one thousand grand loose Chambers involves. This side was the home of British government for centuries. It's built to look like a giant medieval castle. But it hides many modern secrets.

This immense palace was completed in_____ . It has more than one thousand rooms spread across 8 acres. It has three spectacular towers to the south the Victoria Tower The tallest square tower in the world when it was completed. In the centre the huge spire has over two thousand pieces of glass and to the north the iconic Big Ben home to one of the greatest time pieces in the world has ever seen. The engineering marvel when it was constructed it was one of the _____ buildings on the planet.

How did the Victorians make the world's largest, most ambitious clock and have it run on time in a tower almost one hundred meters tall. Inside the tower its master _____ Ian Westworth's job to keep Big Ben running to time. "it's got 334 stairs in the clock tower and no lift, unfortunately."

Inside this iconic clock tower hangs Big Ben itself. The 13 tonne bell gives the tower its_____ . The bells that chime in quarter hour sit arounded. The strikes are controlled by the intraquette mechanism at the heart of the tower. It keeps the clock accurate to be injust two seconds a win. On each side 312 shards of opal glass make up the clock face. The copal minute hand is 14 feet long as taller as a double-decker bus. These _____ dials have kept London running on time for 160 years.