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B2 Vocabulary: place, square, location, area, room, space

1. Look at the definitions. Then circle the correct word in *italics* in these sentences.

space EMPTY PLACE *noun* [C or U] an empty area which is available to be used:
Is there any space for my clothes in that cupboard?

place AREA *noun* [C] an area, town, building, etc.:
Her garden was a cool, pleasant place to sit.

[U] a suitable area, building, situation or occasion:
University is a great place for making new friends.

room SPACE *noun* [C or U] the amount of space that someone or something needs:
That sofa would take up too much room in the flat.

area PLACE *noun* [C or U] a particular part of a place, piece of land or country:
All areas of the country will have some rain tonight.

location POSITION *noun* [C or U] SLIGHTLY FORMAL a place or position:
The hotel is in a lovely location overlooking the lake.
A map showing the location of the property will be sent to you.

square SHAPE *noun* [C] an area of approximately square-shaped land in a city or a town, often including the buildings that surround it:
A band were playing in the town square.

1. We don't have enough area/space in our garden to hold the party.

2. I hope I will have enough place/room for all the things.

3. Sorry I'm late. I just couldn't find a parking place/space anywhere.

4. I'm enclosing a map which shows the location/place of my school.

5. It's dangerous to go walking in a mountainous area/place without the correct equipment.

6. The animals in this zoo have a lot of area/space to move around.

7. The concert will take place in the main square/place in front of the cathedral.

8. The area/space of forest where they're going to build a new shopping centre is over 500 years old.

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9. There isn't enough place/space to build more houses in this neighborhood.

10. It's fine for you to stay at our place, as we've got loads of room/place.

2. Write *area, place, room or space* in the gaps to form collocations, e.g. hiding place.

1. hiding/market/meeting_____

2. floor/green/office/parking/personal/public_____

3. head/leg/standing_____

4. dining/penalty/picnic/play/reception_____

3. Complete these sentences by writing one of the collocations from exercise 2 in the gaps

1 Teachers get angry when students leave their cars in their personal ..... .
2 If someone makes you feel uncomfortable by standing too close to you, we say that they have entered your ..... .
3 I love my school. It's surrounded by ..... with lots of trees and lawns.
4 I'm tall, and the seats on the plane didn't have enough ..... .
5 There are lots of stalls in the ..... selling fresh fruit and vegetables.
6 When you go to the country, it's good to find a .... where you can sit and eat a sandwich.

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