

NEW YORK'S CENTRAL PARK

Central Park is one of the **most amazing** sights in the world – an enormous swimming pool of green surrounded by skyscrapers! CENTRAL PARK is America's **oldest** and **biggest** city park, and the **most popular**. It appears in more than 350 movies! It's **busiest** on Sundays, with nearly ¼ million visitors, so try and find a quieter time to visit. Here's a guide to some of the **best** things to see.

Bow Bridge is one of the ¹ _____ (*beautiful*) old iron bridges in the world. Perhaps you recognize it – it's the ² _____ (*popular*) movie location in the park.

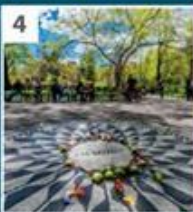
The Carousel is the ³ _____ (*large*) in North America. With its 58 brightly-coloured horses, it's obviously a favourite with children.

Wollman Ice Rink The ⁴ _____ (*wonderful*) thing you can do on a winter's evening is go ice-skating here. You can skate to the music under the skyscrapers and stars!

Cleopatra's Needle is definitely the ⁵ _____ (*old*) thing in the park – it's from Egypt and is 3½ thousand years old!

Belvedere Castle is the ⁶ _____ (*high*) point in the park, so you can get the ⁷ _____ (*good*) views from here.

Strawberry Fields is a garden named after one of the ⁸ _____ (*famous*) Beatles' songs. John Lennon lived and died in New York. The *Imagine* mosaic here is in memory of him.



Practice

It's the biggest!

- 1 Complete these sentences with a superlative adjective.
 - 1 The tallest building in Europe is the Federation Tower in Moscow. It's 374 metres.
 - 2 The _____ hotel in London is the Lanesborough. The Royal Suite there costs £27,000 per night!
 - 3 The world's _____ car park is at the West Edmonton Mall in Canada. It has 20,000 spaces.
 - 4 The _____ tourist attraction is the Las Vegas Strip. It has 40 million visitors a year.
 - 5 The _____ city in the world is Ahwaz, in Iran. The _____ temperature ever reached there was 54°C.
 - 6 The _____ city is Jericho in the Palestinian Territories. It dates back 11,000 years.

9.10 Listen and check. Make sentences about your town or city.

Making comparisons

- 2 Complete the sentences with an opposite comparative adjective.
 - 1 The music's too **loud**. Can we go somewhere quieter?
 - 2 The 10.00 train is too **slow**. There's a _____ one at 10.20.
 - 3 You're **late**! Why weren't you here _____?
 - 4 £200 a night is too **expensive**. Have you got any _____ rooms?
 - 5 This flat is too **far** from the city centre. I need somewhere _____.
 - 6 This exercise is **easy**. Can I do something _____?

Check it

- 3 Tick (✓) the correct sentence.
 - 1 ☐ Yesterday was more hot than today.
☐ Yesterday was hotter than today.
 - 2 ☐ She's taller than her brother.
☐ She's taller that her brother.
 - 3 ☐ I am the most young person in the class.
☐ I am the youngest person in the class.
 - 4 ☐ This exercise is most difficult in the book.
☐ This exercise is the most difficult in the book.
 - 5 ☐ I've got three sisters.
☐ I got three sisters.
 - 6 ☐ She hasn't got a good job.
☐ She no got a good job.