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Question: *What interesting things do you know about Taiwan?*



- Complete the paragraph on the right with the words on the left.



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## *The Taipei 101 Building*

Standing at 508 meters tall, the Taipei 101 building is (1) located in Taipei, Taiwan, and is one of the most famous (2) \_\_\_\_\_s both in Asia and in the world. In 2004 (when it opened), and for several years after, it was the (3) \_\_\_\_\_ building on our planet. It was the first building in the world more than half a kilometer in (4) \_\_\_\_\_. Sometimes, on rainy days, the top of this (5) \_\_\_\_\_ cannot be seen as it rises high above the gray clouds. The Taipei 101 building (or simply, the '101 building') mixes (6) \_\_\_\_\_ with traditional (7) \_\_\_\_\_. There are eight main sections, each with eight floors (eight is a lucky number in Chinese). In total, there are 101 floors. The 101 building is very special because it is so tall, and also because it must be very strong and very (8) \_\_\_\_\_ – there are many (9) \_\_\_\_\_ and strong wind storms called typhoons in Taiwan. For about US \$15, in the lower shopping mall, you can buy a ticket and take the fastest (10) \_\_\_\_\_ in the world up to the 91<sup>st</sup> floor. Then, you can look down on one of the world's most (11) \_\_\_\_\_ and exciting cities from the top of one of its most amazing and (12) \_\_\_\_\_ buildings.

- C** crowded *adj.*
- D** design *n., v.*
- E** earthquakes *n.*  
elevator *n.*  
extraordinary *adj.*
- H** height *n.*
- L** landmark *n.*  
located *adj., n.*
- M** modern *adj.*
- S** safe *adj.*  
skyscraper *n.*
- T** tallest *adj.*

(about 200 words)

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### Vocabulary Practice

- Match the words on the left with the meanings on the right.

- |                  |          |  |
|------------------|----------|--|
| 1. earthquake    | <u>C</u> | A. the way something has been made                     |
| 2. extraordinary | _____    | B. a very tall building in a city                      |
| 3. design        | _____    | C. a shaking of the earth's surface that causes damage |
| 4. height        | _____    | D. in or at a certain place                            |
| 5. landmark      | _____    | E. how tall a person or thing is                       |
| 6. located in    | _____    | F. very unusual; very good                             |
| 7. skyscraper    | _____    | G. a very large, powerful storm in East Asia           |
| 8. typhoon       | _____    | H. a building that is easy to see and recognize        |

### How Much Do You Understand?

- Write 'T' (True) or 'F' (False) next to each statement.

1. F The paragraph is about Taipei, Taiwan.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ It is the tallest building in the world.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ There are 64 floors in the main sections of the building.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ There are more than one hundred floors in the building.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Taiwan has a large number of earthquakes and typhoons.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ People have to pay money to get to the very top of the building.

### Discuss

- Ask and answer the following questions with your classmates.

1. Why do you think there are 101 floors, and not just 99 or 100 floors?
2. Why do you think people build very tall buildings such as the Taipei 101?
3. Do you like to go to the top of high buildings? Why? / Why not?
4. What other special buildings or places do you know about?

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### Grammar-in-Context

- Complete the paragraph by circling the correct words.

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1.

- (A) at
- (B) in
- (C) on
- (D) for

2.

- (A) tallest
- (B) taller
- (C) the tallest
- (D) taller than

3.

- (A) by
- (B) at
- (C) in
- (D) on

4.

- (A) this
- (B) those
- (C) these
- (D) than

5.

- (A) don't
- (B) cannot
- (C) aren't
- (D) was not

6.

- (A) There have
- (B) There are
- (C) There has
- (D) There is

7.

- (A) so
- (B) or
- (C) but
- (D) because

8.

- (A) many
- (B) any
- (C) much
- (D) have

9.

- (A) an
- (B) the
- (C) that
- (D) those

10.

- (A) buying
- (B) bought
- (C) buy
- (D) buys

11.

- (A) looked
- (B) looks
- (C) look
- (D) looking

12.

- (A) build
- (B) builds
- (C) building
- (D) buildings

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### Writing Practice – Spelling and Capitals

- Try to find the one spelling or capital mistake in each line of the paragraph below.

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3 both in asia and in the world. In 2004 (when it opened), and  
4 for several years after, it was the tallst building on our  
5 planet. it was the first building in the world more than half a  
6 kilometer in heght. Sometimes, on rainy days, the top of this  
7 Skyscraper cannot be seen as it rises high above the gray  
8 clouds. the Taipei 101 building (or simply, the '101 building')  
9 mixes modern with traditional design. There are eght main  
10 sections, each wiht eight floors (eight is a lucky number in  
11 chinese). In total, there are 101 floors. The 101 building is  
12 very special becuase it is so tall, and also because it must  
13 be very strong and vary safe – there are many earthquakes  
14 and strong wind storms called typhoons in Taiwan. Four  
15 about US \$15, in the lower Shopping mall, you can buy a  
16 ticket and take the fastest elevator in the World up to the 91<sup>st</sup>  
17 floor. then, you can look down on one of the world's most  
18 crowded and exiting cities from the top of one of its most  
19 amazing and extraordinary bildings.

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### Listening and Writing Practice

- Listen to your teacher and complete the paragraph.

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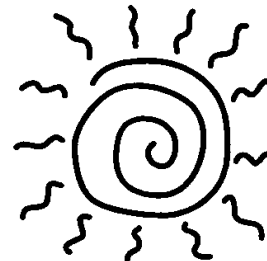
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- *Draw a picture of another building in Taiwan!*

## ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS (Write Notes)

- Where is it located?
- How many floors are there?
- How tall is it?
- How old is it?
- Why is it special?







**Language Focus** Present Simple Tense / 'There is' and There are'**Level** Advanced**Time** Approximately 120 – 180 minutes**Taipei 101 ANSWER KEY**● **Complete the Paragraph**

1. located
2. landmark(s)
3. tallest
4. height
5. skyscraper
6. modern
7. design
8. safe
9. earthquakes
10. elevator
11. crowded
12. extraordinary

● **Vocabulary Practice**

- |      |      |
|------|------|
| 1. C | 5. H |
| 2. F | 6. D |
| 3. A | 7. B |
| 4. E | 8. G |

● **How Much Do You Understand?**

1. F (It's the Taipei 101 building.)
2. F (It was the tallest building.)
3. T
4. T
5. T
6. F ("... up to the 91<sup>st</sup> floor")

● **Grammar-in-Context**

- |      |      |       |
|------|------|-------|
| 1. B | 5. B | 9. B  |
| 2. C | 6. B | 10. C |
| 3. D | 7. D | 11. C |
| 4. A | 8. A | 12. D |

● **Spelling and Capitals**

- |               |             |               |
|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| 1. Taipei     | 8. The      | 15. shopping  |
| 2. famous     | 9. eight    | 16. world     |
| 3. Asia       | 10. with    | 17. Then      |
| 4. tallest    | 11. Chinese | 18. exciting  |
| 5. It         | 12. because | 19. buildings |
| 6. height     | 13. very    |               |
| 7. skyscraper | 14. For     |               |

● **Homework Idea**

Write a descriptive paragraph about a building in your city or country (see attached worksheet). In the next class, get into a small group and read aloud your paragraph.

**EXPLORE on-line sources:**

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Taipei\\_101](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Taipei_101)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xZuIXRMrh6I>

<http://www.eiffeltowerrestaurant.com/>

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