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PLACES AROUND TOWN

Question: *What 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 91st 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.

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|------------------|----------|--|
| 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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2 in Taipei, Taiwan, and is one of the most famos landmarks
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 91st
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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Writing Practice 1

- Don't look at the paragraph. **In your own words**, write what you can remember about the Taipei 101 building. Use the back of this paper if you need more space.

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The Eiffel Tower



Writing Practice 2

- Write a short descriptive paragraph (50 to 100 words) about the Eiffel Tower. Use the notes provided – and your own ideas – to describe it. Remember to use some adjectives in your paragraph, and “There is ...” and “There are”



Name	● the Eiffel Tower
Location	● Paris, France
Opened	● 1889
Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● three sections, or ‘floors’ ● four legs ● a restaurant called the ‘Jules Verne’ on the second floor ● six elevators ● 324 meters tall
Other Information	● about 7 million visitors every year

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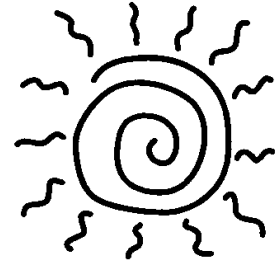
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- **Draw** a picture of a building in your city or country! Or use your imagination to design your own building.

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?



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Writing Practice 3

- Write a short descriptive paragraph about a building in your city or country. Use the words and phrases in the box to help you – as well as your own words and ideas.

Location	Height	Age	Color	Other	
located in	short	new	red	amazing	noisy
near	tall	newly-built	yellow	crowded	relaxing
next to	skyscraper	old	blue	exciting	spacious
in front of	87 meters	180 years old	gray	extraordinary	special
behind	26 floors	ancient	gray-ish	famous	well-known
between			colorful	modern	traditional

LESSON

Places Around Town: Taipei 101

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 91st floor")

● Grammar-in-Context

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|------|------|-------|
| 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

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|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| 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.

THINK GREEN! Whenever possible, consider:

- double-sided photocopies
- having students share copies
- using an OHP or smartboard

EXPLORE *on-line sources:*

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Taipei_101

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

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

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