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Serveis Lingüístics

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Grups de conversa d'anglès



Choices, choices...

Language focus

- Gradable adjectives
- Comparatives
- Extreme adjectives

A tale of two cities

a) Describe your city

Talk about your city or town using extreme language. You can use single words or combinations of words.

Useful language

- My city is nice but the outskirts are a total eyesore.
- My town is gorgeous.
- Barcelona is okay, but my neighbourhood is dead boring.
- The weather's really awful.
- The streets are absolutely scorching in August.
- The air-con in the metro is freezing cold!

• The city centre is a nightmare.

b) Describe another city

Talk about a city you have visited or would like to visit.

Useful language

- A few years ago, I went to ...
- I've never been to ...
- I hear that it's beautiful.
- I'd love to go there!



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Comparing cities

Talk about the differences between the two cities you described in Exercise 1.

Useful language

- Barcelona is much bigger than ...
- Barcelona has so many more tourists than ...
- Barcelona has so much more traffic than ...
- Barcelona has far fewer green areas than...



Choosing a city

Think of two cities you know well and discuss which one you would prefer to live in and why.

Useful language

- I'd prefer to live in ...
- I'd rather live there because ...
- If I had to choose, I'd live in ...
- It's far more beautiful than ...



"Barcelona would be a nicer city if ..."

Finish the sentence above in different ways. If you need help, you can use the language below.

the beach

the pavements

tidy

the bicycle lanes

public transport

clean cheap

expensive



5 My ideal city!

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Describe your ideal city.

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