

Miki is meeting friends in Edinburgh. What do you think they are talking about?



LISTENING

Jim and Miki are talking about where they are from. Listen. Check (✓) the right answers.

- Jim says Edinburgh Castle is
 impressive. expensive. interesting.
- Miki says Tokyo is
 friendly. exciting. dangerous.
- Miki says the snow festival is in
 the south. the west. the north.
- Jim says Scotland is famous for
 fishing. whisky. Edinburgh Castle.

LOOK AND LEARN

Study these questions and answers:

Where are you from?		I'm from Japan.
Where in Japan? Where do you work?/ study?		I'm from Osaka, but I live in Yokohama now. I work in Tokyo, an hour from my home in Chiba. I go to college in Okinawa.
Where's	Okinawa? Hokkaido?	It's in the south of Japan. It's in the north.
What's it like there?		It's a great place for skiing. There are lots of shops and restaurants.
	It's	an interesting city. a very friendly place. great.

Now practice with a partner. Take turns asking and answering.

Listen to the conversation between Miki and Marie. Fill in the blanks.

Miki: Where are you from?

Marie: I'm from (1).....

Miki: I've never been there. What's it like?

Marie: Well, it's a very (2)..... city. There are lots of (3).....

Miki: It sounds (4).....

Marie: Where in Japan are you from?

Miki: I'm from Kyoto. It's (5)..... Have you ever been to Japan?

Marie: No, but I'd like to go there some day.

Now practice the conversation with a partner.

OVER TO YOU!

Make three more conversations like the one above. Use this information:

(1) Milan	(1) Madrid	(1) San Francisco
(2) lively	(2) busy	(2) laid-back
(3) shops	(3) things to do	(3) night clubs and coffee shops
(4) great	(4) fun	(4) terrific
(5) a traditional city	(5) the old capital of Japan	(5) famous for temples

ACTIVITY

Work with a partner. Take turns being Student A and Student B.

Student A: Turn to page 57.

Student B: You are from Aspen, Colorado. Use these pictures to tell Student A what it's like there.

Student A will start.



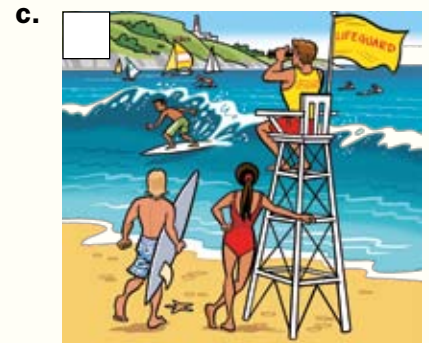


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Sports in New Zealand

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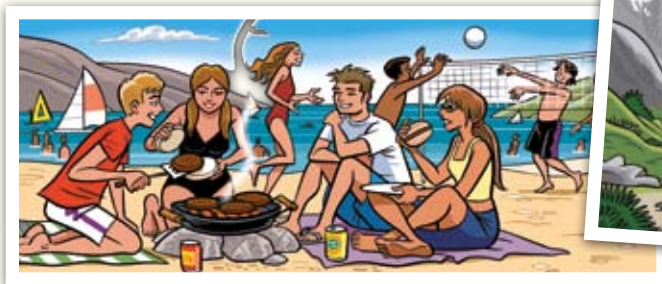
Listen. Number the pictures 1–3 in the order you hear about them.



2 Listen again. Complete the chart about the sports above.

What is the sport?	Information
Rugby union	New Zealand's national team is called the ¹ _____. The "haka" is a traditional Maori ² _____ at the start of a match.
Extreme sports	Many tourists come to New Zealand for adventure. If you like ³ _____, you could try ⁴ _____!
Water sports	Some of the most popular water sports are ⁵ _____, ⁶ _____, life-saving skills, and ⁷ _____.

Things to see and do



have a barbecue on the beach



go trekking in the mountains



go whale watching

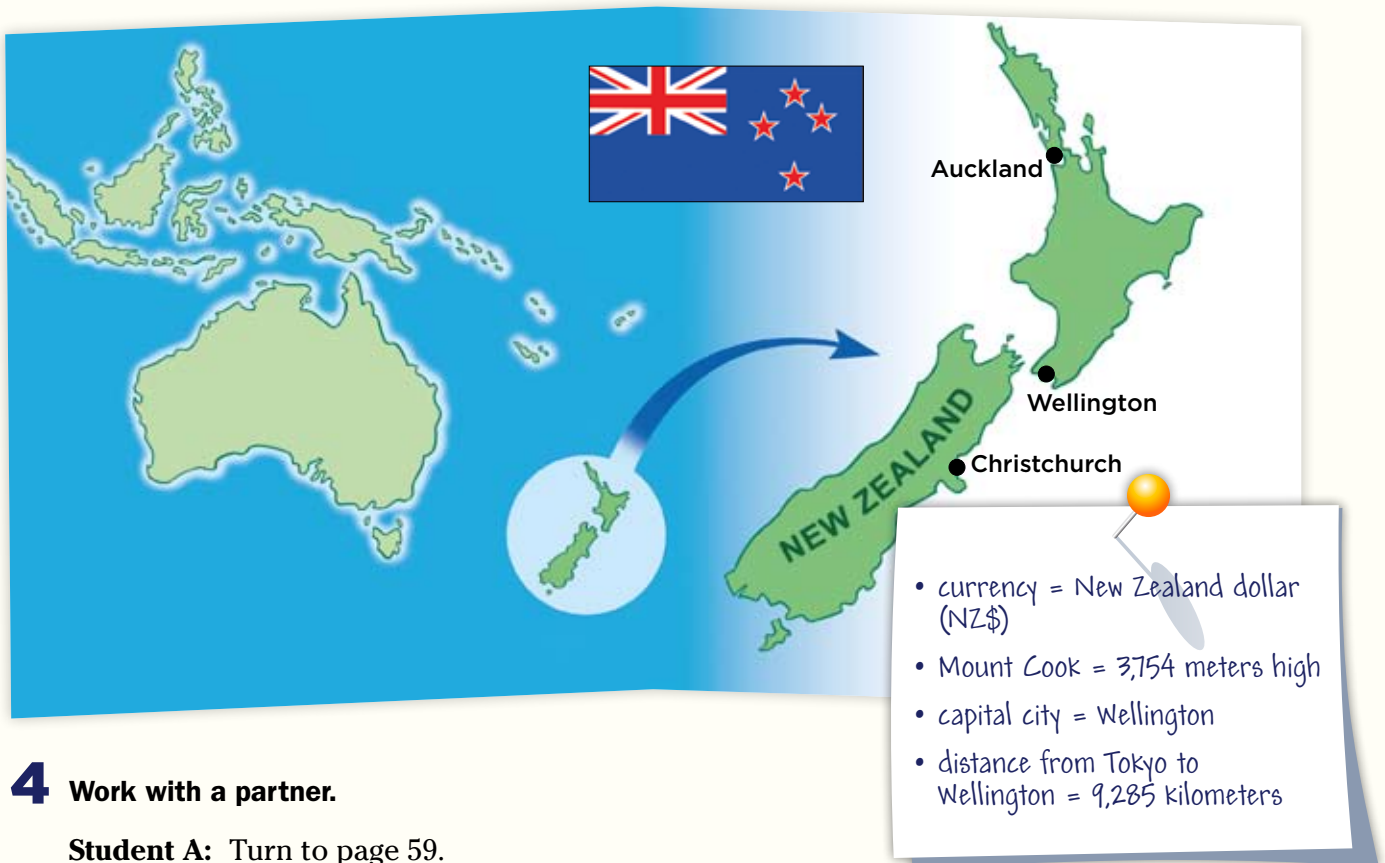
3 Practice the conversation. Use the pictures above.

A: What would you like to do in the New Zealand?

B: I'd like to...

A: Oh, me too!/Oh, I wouldn't. I'd rather...

Facts and figures: New Zealand



4 Work with a partner.

Student A: Turn to page 59.

Student B: Read the facts and figures above. Answer Student A's questions.

Ask Student A these questions.

1. How many people live in New Zealand? _____
2. Does New Zealand have any mountains? _____
3. Which languages are spoken in New Zealand? _____
4. What does the Maori name for "New Zealand" mean? _____

Mini quiz: New Zealand

5 With a partner, answer true or false.

1. Japan has one official language, but New Zealand has three.
2. Mount Fuji is 3,776 meters high, so it is smaller than Mount Cook.
3. The population of Japan is 127 million, so there are more people in Japan than in New Zealand.
4. Both countries have many islands and mountains; Japan has the Japan Alps, and New Zealand has the Southern Alps.