

Let's Go to a Museum

Talking about museums, art, and exhibitions.



1. Look at the Pictures

A. Take turns asking and answering questions about the pictures above.

1. How much are tickets for senior citizens?
2. What do we call the woman wearing a uniform?
3. What exhibit can you see in the second picture?
4. What items are hanging on the wall?
5. What is on display in picture 3?
6. Which country do you think they are from?
7. What can't you do in picture 3?
8. What art can you see in picture 4?
9. What kind of art is it?
10. What kind of gifts and souvenirs can you buy?

B. Take turns asking and answering questions about your likes, dislikes, and experiences.

1. Do you like to visit museums? Why or why not.
2. What type of museums do you like? Art? History? Science?
3. Do you visit museums when you go on holiday?
4. Which country has the best museums?
5. Who are some famous artists in your country? What kind of art do they do?
6. Most museums don't allow recording devices. Do you agree or disagree with this? Why or why not?
7. How do you think museums could be more interesting for young people?
8. If you could request to see any exhibition, what would it be?
9. Do you consider yourself to be creative or artistic?
10. Who is your favorite artist? Describe their work.

2. Vocabulary

Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> archaeology | <input type="checkbox"/> culture | <input type="checkbox"/> gallery | <input type="checkbox"/> artifact |
| <input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> sculpture | <input type="checkbox"/> exhibition | <input type="checkbox"/> fossils |

1. An _____ is a display of works of art or objects in an art gallery or a museum.
2. Exhibits in a museum are exhibited in a _____.
3. An _____ is a handmade object, made in an earlier time, that is important for a culture and its history.
4. A _____ is an object carved in wood, stone, or clay and usually looks like human or animal.
5. You can see _____ bones, pottery, carved figures, art, and even jewelry at a museum.
6. An _____ museum specializes in ancient human history and displays physical remains.
7. The Natural History Museum in London has 68,000,000 specimens of animals, plants, minerals, rocks, and _____.
8. All museums display objects that are important to a _____.

3. Practice Asking Questions

A. Match the questions on the left to the responses on the right.

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| 1. _____ How much does it cost to enter? | a. in 1793. |
| 2. _____ What do you recommend seeing? | b. You must see the Egyptian exhibit. |
| 3. _____ Can I take photographs of the exhibits? | c. everyday at 8am. |
| 4. _____ When did the museum open? | d. I'm looking forward to the Tutankhamun exhibition. |
| 5. _____ When does the museum open? | e. I'm sorry, electronic devices are prohibited. |
| 6. _____ What exhibition do you want to see the most? | f. Admission is free for everyone. |

B. Fill the gaps to complete the questions and answers. Review the questions above for help.

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| 1. Is there a museum in your town or city?
_____. There are two. | 5. Why do people like museums?
_____ interesting and educational. |
| 2. What is a famous kind of art in Japan?
Calligraphy _____ in Japan. | 6. _____ the most famous artist of all time?
Leonardo da Vinci _____. |
| 3. Will you visit a museum this year?
_____, I _____ a museum this year. | 7. How _____ have you been to?
_____ many museums. |
| 4. What kind of art _____ like?
_____ sculptures and statues. | 8. _____ to work in a museum?
Yes, I would. It sounds interesting. |

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Level: Elementary: A2
Pre-Intermediate: A2+

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Target: Language function: Asking and answering questions.
Language forms: Present tense.

Teaching time: 60 minutes, 60 minutes and homework, 90 minutes.

Objective: 'Let's Go Places' is a series of English lesson handouts that encourage your ESL students to talk about their experiences and share their opinions about interesting and practical situations. Let's Go Places uses pictures and topic based activities to help students explore new vocabulary and build English fluency through questions and answers

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1. LOOK AT THE PICTURES

A. Answers may vary but model answers are provided below.

1. Tickets for senior citizens are €3 Euro.
2. She is called a museum docent or guide.
3. I can see the Paleontology or dinosaur exhibit.
4. Fossils are hanging on the wall.
5. A queen's dresses and a royal crown are displayed.
6. Perhaps the UK or Austria.
7. You can't take pictures.
8. Girl with a Pearl Earring by Johannes Vermeer and Venus de Milo by Alexandros of Antioch.
9. It is a painting and a sculpture.
10. You can buy postcards, books, rocks, and crystals.

2. VOCABULARY

1. exhibition
2. gallery
3. artifact
4. sculpture
5. prehistoric
6. archaeology
7. fossils
8. culture

3. PRACTICE ASKING QUESTIONS

A. Answers.

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e. I'm sorry, electronic devices are prohibited.
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6. What exhibition do you want to see the most?
d. I'm looking forward to the Tutankhamun exhibition.

B. Answers may vary.

1. Is there a museum in your town or city?
Yes, there are. There are two.
2. What is a famous kind of art in Japan?
Calligraphy is a famous kind of art in Japan.
3. Will you visit a museum this year?
Yes/No, I will/won't visit a museum this year.
4. What kind of art do you like?
I like sculptures and statues.
5. Why do people like museums?
Because they are interesting and educational.
6. Who is the most famous artist of all time?
Leonardo da Vinci is the most famous artist (of all time)
7. How many museums have you been to?
I have been to many museums.
8. Would you like to work in a museum?
Yes, I would. It sounds interesting.