

Culture video Unit 4

Auckland, New Zealand

Start thinking

Answer the questions.

- 1 What places are popular to go to on holiday in your country?
- 2 Do you go to other countries on holiday? Why? / Why not?
- 3 What's your favourite place to go to on holiday? Why?

Comprehension check

1 Watch the video. Number the things in the order that you see them (1–10).

- mountains _____
- Auckland Harbour Bridge _____
- a yacht _____
- a beach _____
- a volcano _____
- large boats _____
- a city park _____
- the Sky Tower _____
- dolphins and whales _____
- restaurants and cafés _____

2 Watch again. Are the sentences true or false? Correct the false sentences.

- 1 Auckland is on New Zealand's South Island.

- 2 Auckland is the smallest city in New Zealand.

- 3 The best thing about Auckland is its food.

- 4 Many tourists go on boat trips in Auckland.

- 5 There is a volcano in Auckland.

- 6 One of Auckland's worst tourist attractions is in the Auckland Domain park.

3 Watch again. Complete the sentences with the correct adjectives.

active amazing beautiful comfortable exciting
fantastic interesting popular

- 1 Auckland is a very _____ holiday destination.
- 2 There's a _____ beach.
- 3 There are _____ restaurants and cafés.
- 4 People go on large, _____ boats.
- 5 The volcano isn't _____ now.
- 6 There are lots of _____ things to see.
- 7 There are _____ activities to do.
- 8 Auckland is an _____ city.

4 Match the names (1–5) to the places (a–e).

- 1 Mission Bay _____
 - 2 Waitemata and Manukau _____
 - 3 Auckland Domain _____
 - 4 Pukekawa _____
 - 5 Auckland War Memorial Museum _____
- a a volcano
 - b two harbours
 - c a very popular tourist attraction
 - d a beach
 - e a park

5 Correct the mistakes in the summary.

Auckland is the largest city on the North Island of (1) **Australia** and is a very popular holiday destination. There are lots of things to do. Visitors go to the beaches and go on (2) **holiday** trips. They also visit places of interest, like the Sky Tower, Auckland Harbour (3) **Volcano** and Auckland Domain. There are plenty of fantastic restaurants and (4) **dolphins** in the Viaduct Basin. Auckland is famous for its (5) **weather** and also for its (6) **rivers** and volcanoes. People enjoy walking, jogging, riding (7) **helicopters** or doing lots of exciting (8) **countries**.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____
- 7 _____
- 8 _____

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Language check

Comparative adjectives

- These yachts are faster than the other boats, and the trips are more exciting!

Superlative adjectives

- It's the oldest park in the city, and it's the largest too.
- It's one of the most enjoyable places to ride a bike in the city!

6 Complete the sentences using the comparative form of the adjectives.

big comfortable exciting fast high popular

- 1 The yacht is _____ than the other boats.
- 2 These large boats are _____ than a yacht.
- 3 I think Auckland is a _____ holiday destination than my city.
- 4 I like this activity because it is _____ than that one.
- 5 Australia is _____ than New Zealand.
- 6 The mountains are _____ than the sea.

7 Write sentences. Use the superlative form of the adjectives.

- 1 Auckland / large / city / in New Zealand

- 2 good / thing about / Auckland / its location.

- 3 Auckland Domain / old / park / in the city

- 4 The War Memorial Museum / popular / tourist attraction / in Auckland Domain park

- 5 Auckland Domain park / enjoyable / place to/ ride a bike / in the city.

Extension

Look at the photos and answer the questions.

Photo A



- What can you see in the photo?
- Does your home town or city look like this?
- How often do you visit other cities or countries?
- What's your favourite type of holiday? Why?

Photo B



- What are these people doing?
- Which is best, the beach or the mountains? Why?
- Do you prefer activity holidays or visiting cities? Why?
- What's your perfect holiday? Why?