

Let's Visit: Thailand

Intermediate (B1-B2)



WARM UP

Part 1. Discuss the following questions.

1. Have you ever been to Thailand?
2. What do you already know about Thailand?
3. Would you like to travel there? Why or why not?
4. What kinds of places do you enjoy visiting on holiday?

Part 2. How much do you know about Thailand? Test your knowledge!

1. What is the capital city of Thailand?
2. What is Thailand often called (nickname)?
3. What is the most famous Thai festival involving water?
4. What is the local currency?
5. What is the traditional Thai greeting called?

Bonus: Can you name any famous beaches, temples or food in Thailand?



VIDEO ACTIVITY & PICTURE MATCHING

Part 1. Watch a short video showing different places and things in Thailand. After watching, answer the questions.

1. What 3 things stood out to you in the video?
2. How did the video make you feel? (e.g. calm, excited, curious)
3. Which places would you like to know more about?

Part 2. Look at some of Thailand's famous places and landmarks below. Match the name to the picture.

Erawan Waterfalls

Wat Arun

Phi Phi Islands

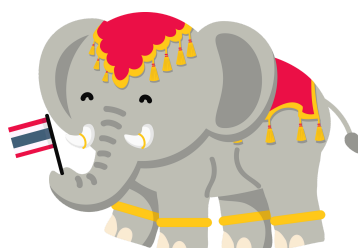
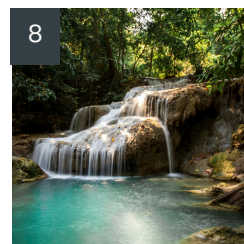
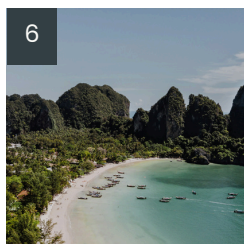
Khao Sok National Park

Railay Beach

Grand Palace

Doi Inthanon

Ayutthaya Historical Park



Part 3. Match each place or landmark to the correct description.

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1. _____ A small beach paradise, famous for rock climbing and relaxed vibes.
2. _____ Crystal-clear beaches and dramatic cliffs – popular for boat trips and snorkelling.
3. _____ A stunning riverside temple in Bangkok, famous for its sunset views.
4. _____ Ancient ruins and temples from a former capital city.
5. _____ The tallest mountain in Thailand, surrounded by lush nature and waterfalls. Located near Chiang Mai.
6. _____ Jungle, limestone cliffs and peaceful lakes – ideal for nature lovers.
7. _____ A historic royal site in the centre of Bangkok – full of golden temples.
8. _____ A seven-level waterfall with emerald pools, located in a national park.

Part 4. Discuss the following questions.

1. Which ones would you most like to visit? Why?
2. What activities could you do there?
3. Do you prefer beach holidays, cities or mountains?
4. Would you travel there alone, with friends, or on a tour?



Part 5. Look at some of Thailand's famous food below. Match the name to the picture.

Som Tum

Pad Thai

Pad Krapow

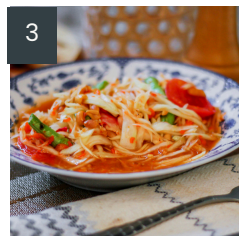
Mango Sticky Rice

Khao Soi

Tom Yum

Massaman Curry

Thai Iced Tea



Part 6. Match each dish to the correct description.

1. _____ Spicy stir-fried meat with basil, garlic and chilli, usually served with rice and a fried egg.
2. _____ Mild coconut curry with potatoes and peanuts.
3. _____ Sweet cold tea made with milk and spices.
4. _____ Stir-fried noodles with egg, tofu, peanuts and lime.
5. _____ Spicy green papaya salad – crunchy and fresh.
6. _____ Sweet dessert made with coconut rice and ripe mango.
7. _____ Northern Thai coconut curry noodle soup with crispy noodles on top.
8. _____ Spicy and sour soup with lemongrass and prawns.

Part 7. Discuss the following questions.

1. Which dishes would you most like to try?
2. Do you enjoy spicy food?
3. How does Thai food compare to food in your home country?

Part 8. Look at the pictures of Thailand's culture. Match each cultural aspect to the correct picture.

Sanuk & Sabai Sabai

The Wai Greeting

Songkran

Night Markets



Part 9. Match each cultural aspect to its correct description.

1. _____ Palms together with a slight bow to show respect.
2. _____ Valuing fun and an easy-going vibe.
3. _____ Street food, small bites, and casual bargaining.
4. _____ Thai New Year with water-splashing and temple visits.

Part 10. Discuss the following questions.

1. How do you usually greet people?
2. What do people do for fun in your country?
3. Are markets better than restaurants?
4. Would you enjoy a water festival?

READING ACTIVITY

Part 1. Read this dialogue between two travellers who recently visited Thailand.

Liam: Honestly, Thailand has my heart. The mix of beaches, temples and food was just second to none.

Jade: Totally agree. I wasn't expecting the people to be so friendly – they really do call it the Land of Smiles for a reason.

Liam: Yeah, and the food? Out of this world. I could eat mango sticky rice every day. Even the street food was amazing.

Jade: I tried Pad Krapow from a little stall in Chiang Mai – absolutely delicious, and so cheap!

Liam: I know! And that night market we went to? I felt like I was in a film. Lights everywhere, live music, all that buzzing energy.

Jade: My favourite part was getting off the beaten track up north. Doi Inthanon was breathtaking – real nature vibes.

Liam: Same. I loved the peace and quiet up there. It was a nice break from Bangkok – that city never stops!

Jade: It's wild, isn't it? One minute you're in a peaceful temple, the next you're weaving through traffic on a tuk-tuk.

Liam: Yeah, but that's what makes it unforgettable. I'd go back in a heartbeat.

Jade: Me too. There's still so much more to see. Thailand's the kind of place that just stays with you.

Part 2. Answer the questions below based on the dialogue.

1. What did Liam enjoy most about Thailand?
2. What surprised Jade?
3. What does "second to none" mean in this context?
4. What do they mean by "off the beaten track"?
5. Would you like a trip like theirs? Why or why not?



Part 3. Match the expression to its meaning.

To have your heart

Second to none

Out of this world

Go back in a heartbeat

Off the beaten track

1. _____ extremely good or impressive
2. _____ would happily return immediately
3. _____ to be a place or thing you deeply love or feel emotionally connected to
4. _____ the best; better than anything or anyone else
5. _____ away from popular or touristy areas; less known or visited

Part 4. Discuss the following questions.

1. Is there a country or city you've visited that really **has your heart**? Why?
2. Have you ever had a travel experience that was **second to none**? What happened?
3. Tell me about a meal or experience that was **out of this world**. What made it so amazing?
4. Do you prefer to visit popular tourist spots, or go **off the beaten track**? Why?
5. Is there a place you've been that you'd **go back to in a heartbeat**?

FINAL THOUGHTS....

Part 1. Discuss the questions below to reflect on what you've learnt during this lesson.

1. What would your dream trip to Thailand look like?
2. What do you think you'd enjoy the most – the people, the food, or the scenery?
3. Do you enjoy learning about other cultures through travel?
4. What's the next place on your travel bucket list?