

Natural Wonders

Intermediate (B1-B2)



WARM-UP DISCUSSION

Part 1. Discuss the following questions.

- 1. How often do you spend time in nature?
- 2. What type of place makes you feel most relaxed: mountains, forests, beaches or somewhere else?
- 3. What's the most impressive natural place you've visited?

Part 2. Read the three quotes. Say which one you agree with and why.

"Some places stay with you long after you leave."

"Nature doesn't rush, but it still gets everything done."

"You don't need to travel far to be amazed."



VIDEO ACTIVITY

Part 1. You're going to watch a video called "7 Natural Wonders of the World." Before watching, discuss the following questions.

- 1. Which natural wonders can you name?
- 2. Which ones would you love to see?
- 3. What makes something a "wonder" in your opinion?

Part 2. Watch the video "7 Natural Wonders of the World."

Part 3. Discuss the following questions.

- 1. Which place made you think "I need to see that one day"?
- 2. Which one made you think "No chance, that's too extreme for me"?
- 3. Which wonder didn't interest you at first but now feels more exciting?

Part 4. Choose three wonders from the video. For each one, complete the notes.

Name:

- Where is it?
- One interesting fact
- Would you visit? Why or why not?



VOCABULARY & SPEAKING

Part 1. Read the short dialogues and guess what the bold words and expressions mean.

- 1. "The view from the helicopter was absolutely breathtaking. I couldn't even speak."
- 2. "The village was so remote we had no phone signal all weekend."
- 3. "We walked past a **massive** glacier. I felt tiny next to it."
- 4. "Camping by the lake was really **peaceful**. No traffic, no noise."
- 5. "That volcano looks exciting, but it also seems a bit dangerous."
- 6. "Coral reefs are beautiful but very fragile. We have to protect them."
- 7. "Seeing the Northern Lights is on my bucket list. Maybe next year."
- 8. "This forest feels completely untouched, like no one has ever been here."

Part 2. Complete the sentences with your own ideas.

- The most breathtaking view I've ever seen was...
- A remote place I'd like to visit is...
- One **massive** natural landmark I'd love to see is...
- A **peaceful** place I go when I need a break is...
- A dangerous place I'd never visit is...
- A fragile part of nature we should protect is...
- A place on my **bucket list** is...
- One untouched place I'd love to explore is...



Part 3. Choose one option and explain your choice.



Part 4. Read the situations below and explain what you would say or do.

- Your friend says, "The Grand Canyon is just a big hole."
- Someone wants to climb Everest with no experience.
- A friend is terrified of flying but really wants to see the Northern Lights.
- Someone says natural wonders are "overrated" compared to cities.



REFLECTION

Discuss the following questions.

- 1. What's one thing you'd love to see in nature at least once?
- 2. Why do humans need moments of wonder?
- 3.Do you think we lose our sense of wonder as we get older?

