

## READING ■ A description of a place



### 1 ★ Read the text. Tick ✓ the correct box.

Dan's ideal place is ...

- a  London   b  The British Isles   c  Sark

**A** I'm from London, but I live on Sark, an island in the British Isles.

**B** London is a fantastic city; it's really big, with amazing buildings and luxury shops, but it's noisy. I'm not into cities – I prefer quieter places.

**C** Sark is tiny, 5.45 km<sup>2</sup>, and its population is small too. There are only about 600 people on the island. There are some small shops and restaurants, one or two offices and one school. But the incredible thing is there are no cars!

**D** Sark is ideal for cycling, and it's a popular place for tourists. It's really pretty and there are a lot of animals.

**E** I'm interested in cycling and photography, not shopping or fast cars. That's why my home is here in Sark, not London. It's the perfect place for me.

### 2 ★★ Read the text again. Match topics 1–4 with paragraphs A–E.

About the island \_\_\_\_\_ c

- 1 Why Dan likes Sark \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 Why people are interested in visiting Sark \_\_\_\_\_  
 3 Where Dan lives \_\_\_\_\_  
 4 About London \_\_\_\_\_

### 3 ★★ Read the text again. Choose the correct answers.

Dan lives \_\_\_\_\_.

- a in a city  
**b on a small island**  
 c on a big island

- 1 Sark has got a population of \_\_\_\_\_ people.  
 a 60   b 545   c 600  
 2 On Sark there aren't any \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a shops   b cars   c restaurants  
 3 The island has got a \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a school   b tourist office   c luxury shop  
 4 On Sark there are a lot of \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a incredible buildings   b animals   c cities  
 5 The island is popular with \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a boys   b people from London   c tourists  
 6 Dan \_\_\_\_\_ Sark.  
 a loves   b quite likes   c hates

### 4 ★★★ Answer the questions. Write complete sentences.

Where does Dan live?

He lives on Sark, an island in the British Isles.

1 Why does Dan think London is a good place to live?

\_\_\_\_\_

2 Why doesn't Dan like living in cities?

\_\_\_\_\_

3 How big is Sark?

\_\_\_\_\_

4 What is special about Sark?

\_\_\_\_\_

5 What do tourists like doing on Sark?

\_\_\_\_\_

6 What is Dan interested in?

\_\_\_\_\_

### Build your vocabulary

#### 5 ★★ Look at the words in brackets. Then complete the text with the words in the box.

tiny   fantastic   fast   incredible  
 enormous   amazing   luxury

Ruth has got a fantastic (very good) job. She's got an <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (very big) office in the centre of London. Her office is bigger than my flat! It's in an <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (very beautiful and big) building.

Ruth has got a <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (very expensive and beautiful) flat near the park and a new car – it's really <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_! It's an <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (very surprising) car. I love it! She's got a <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (very small) dog – his name is Benji.