



ENGLISH

Chapter 21 Session A

2nd
SECONDARY

AMAZING PLACES

Superlatives



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1 Can you name any famous waterfalls?

Personal answer.



The Creation of a Waterfall


The upper course of a river is usually high above sea level, in hills or mountains. The river travels downwards and cuts through the landscape with vertical erosion. One of the geographical features that are formed by vertical erosion is a **waterfall**. This is typical in the upper course of a river and eventually creates a gorge.

The water travels over the hard rock, also called **cap rock**, and erodes the **softer rock** underneath.

A **plunge pool** forms at the base of the waterfall. The swirling water and rocks erode the soft rock behind it.

Eventually the front of the cap rock collapses. The waterfall moves backwards and the process is repeated again.



2  **75** Read and listen. Then match the words to their definitions according to the context.

a waterfall

b a more resistant rock over a layer of weaker rock

b cap rock

d a deep basin excavated underneath a waterfall

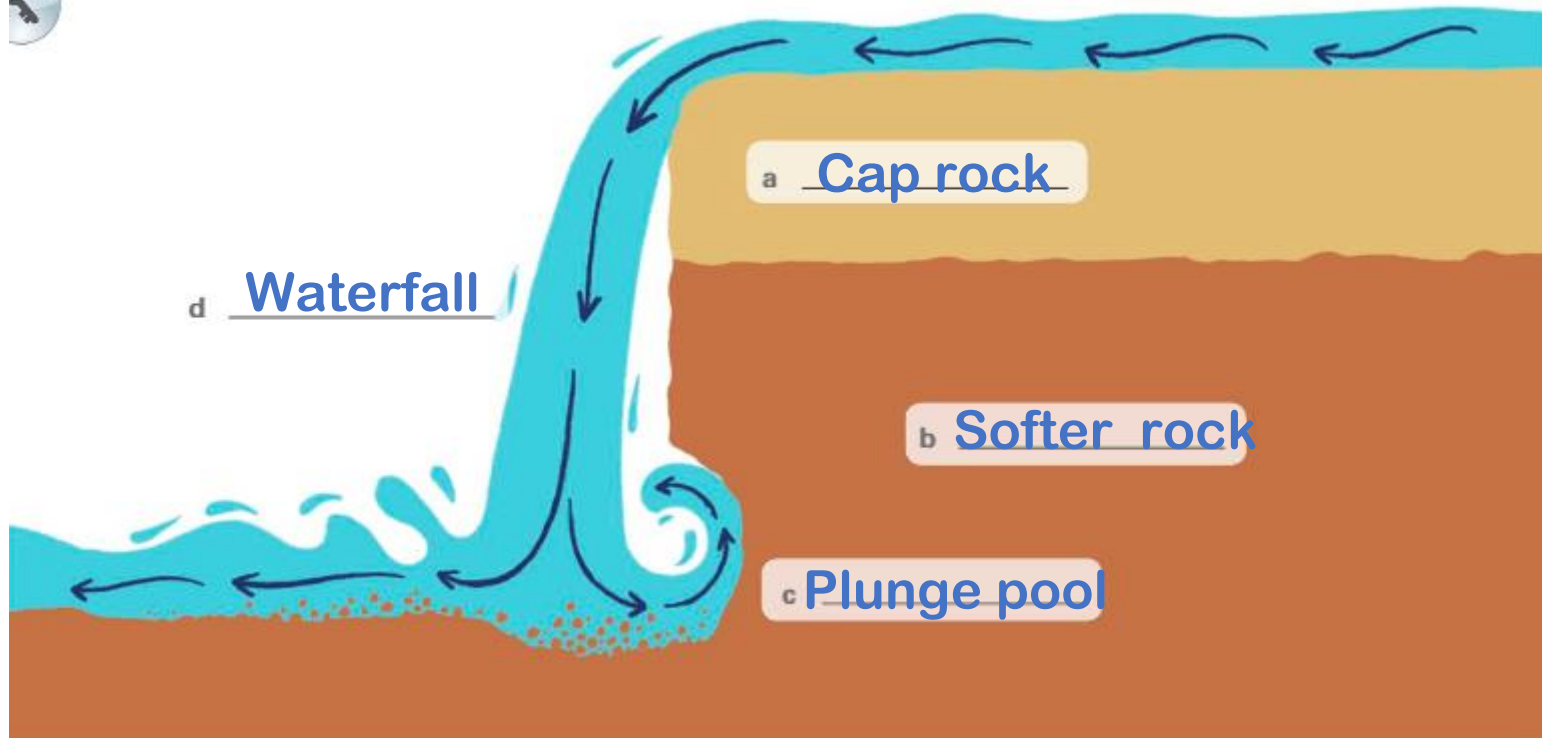
c softer rock

a a perpendicular descent of the water of a river

d plunge pool

c a weaker layer of rock that easily erodes with water

3 Look at the picture and complete the labels with the words from activity 2.





Places to Visit

castle



cave



coastline



lighthouse



opera house



pyramid





VOCABULARY IN PICTURES

rainforest



reef



ruin



temple



tomb





Formation of Adverbs



angrily



badly



carefully



easily



fast



VOCABULARY IN PICTURES



happily



hard



noisily



quickly



quietly



well



Superlative Adjectives

| | adjective | superlative |
|---|--------------|---|
| 1 - syllable adjectives | old large | the old est the larg est |
| 1 - syllable adjectives ending in vowel + consonant | big | the big gest |
| 2 syllables ending in -y | lovely | the lovel iest |
| 2 or more syllables | famous | the most famous |
| irregular | good bad | the best the worst |

- we use the superlative to compare more than two things, people or places or to compare somebody or something with the whole group it belongs to.

It is **the biggest** pyramid in the world.

The Taj Mahal is **the most famous** monument in India.

What is **the best** monument in your town?



too, enough and not enough

- we use *too* + adjective to say that something is excessive.
We were **too** late. It was closed.
We weren't **too** late.
- we use adjective + *enough* to say that something is sufficient.
My tent was big **enough** for two people.
- we use *not* + adjective + *enough* to say that something is insufficient.
My tent wasn't big **enough** for eight people.



to (not) have enough

we **have enough** chocolate for ten people.

I don't **have enough** money to buy a car.



too, enough and not enough

- 1** Complete the sentences with *too* and the adjectives in the box.

crowded dangerous difficult expensive short ~~tired~~

I can't take you for a walk now.

I'm too tired.

- a** Dan can't do the math homework.

It's too difficult.

- b** We can't swim in that fast river.

It's too dangerous.

- c** I got those jeans when I was 12. I can't wear them now.

They're too short.

- d** Don't pay 50 dollars for those sunglasses.

That's too expensive.

- e** Let's leave this café. There aren't any seats.

It's too crowded.

2 Match the sentence beginnings with the endings.

- a **6** I can't finish this email now. I don't have
- b **3** She didn't buy the laptop. She didn't have
- c **2** We couldn't see anything in the caves. There wasn't
- d **1** I couldn't make a cake because I didn't have
- e **5** I couldn't get my shoes into the suitcase. There wasn't
- f **4** The party wasn't much fun because there weren't
- g **7** The trees didn't grow in that area because there wasn't
- h **8** We can't go skiing. There isn't

- 1 enough eggs.
- 2 enough light.
- 3 enough money.
- 4 enough people.
- 5 enough space.
- 6 enough time.
- 7 enough water.
- 8 enough snow.

- 3 Complete the text with *isn't* / *aren't* / *wasn't* ... *enough* and the adjectives in the box.

big deep light ~~near~~ old warm windy

From: Paul
To: Ryan
Subject: Holiday

Hi, Ryan

I'm not having a very good holiday! The campground is terrible. It a isn't near enough to the town to walk there, so we have to spend every evening here. The weather is awful. It b isn't warm enough to swim.

And anyway the swimming pool is just for babies.

It c isn't deep enough to swim in. There are four of us in one tent, but it d isn't big enough even for two people. So I can't get to sleep at night, but it

e isn't light enough to read. We tried to rent some motorized bikes yesterday, but we

f weren't old enough. You have to be 16. So we went to the beach and tried to rent windsurf boards. Guess what!

It g wasn't windy enough to go windsurfing.

Send me an email!

Paul

- 4** Complete the answers to the questions.
Use *too* or *enough* and the words in parentheses.

'Are they going to get married?'

'No, they aren't old enough.' (old)

a 'Can you drive me to the station?'

'Sorry, I'm too busy at the moment.' (busy)

b 'Are you going to make soup tonight?'

'No, we don't have enough vegetables.' (vegetables)

- c** 'Let's run to the lake and back.'
'No. I'm not very good at running and that's
_____ **too far** _____ for me.' (far)
- d** 'Is this coffee OK?'
'Put some more sugar in it. It isn't
_____ **sweet enough** _____.' (sweet)
- e** 'Let's build a fire on the beach.'
'How can we? We don't have
_____ **enough wood** _____.' (wood)




GRAMMAR CHECK

- 1 Read the text and circle the correct answers.



I think the **a** ___ coastline in Rhode Island is in Newport. The water there is **b** ___ than in most places. Of course, the water isn't as **c** ___ as in Florida, but it's not too cold **d** ___. Easton's Beach (1st Beach to the locals) is probably **e** ___ popular beach in the state. All the teenagers go there. But it's **f** ___ crowded for me. I prefer Sachuest (2nd Beach). If you go there and it isn't **g** ___ to swim one day, go and visit the Norman Bird Sanctuary. It has one of **h** ___ beautiful views in Newport. Block Island also has some wonderful coastlines. It's wilder than Newport and you get fewer people around, so the beaches are quiet **i** ___ to relax and read a book. Still in Newport there is one of **j** ___ beautiful lighthouses around, called Castle Hill Lighthouse. If you are **k** ___ you can swim around the rocks nearby.


| 1 | 2 | 3 |
|------------------|---------------|------------------|
| a good | best | better |
| b clean | cleanest | cleaner |
| c warm | warmer | warmest |
| d to swimming | for swim | to swim |
| e more | the most | as |
| f too | most | more |
| g warmest | too warm | warm enough |
| h most | more | the most |
| i enough | as | more |
| j the most | more | as |
| k more energetic | too energetic | energetic enough |

2  **103** Listen and check your answers.






LISTENING

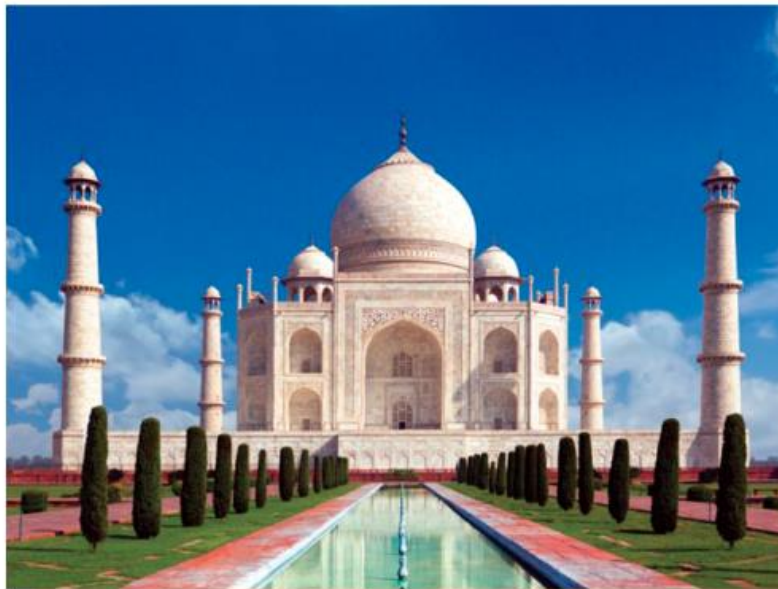
1  104 Listen and underline T for *true*, F for *false* or DK for *don't know*.



- a Emperor Shah Jahan only married once.
T / F / DK
- b He didn't have many children. T / F / DK
- c He died in 1666 T / F / DK
- d There is Chinese writing on the Taj Mahal as decoration. T / F / DK
- e Very early morning is a good time to visit the Taj. T / F / DK
- f The best month to visit the Taj by moonlight is December. T / F / DK



- 2  104 Listen again and complete the information.



The Taj Mahal

Emperor Shah Jahan built the Taj Mahal in memory of his a third wife Mumtaz Mahal.

She died when she was having their b 14th child

He started building it in c 1631 and finished it in d 1653.

They buried Shah Jahan next to Mumtaz when he died in e 1666.

Big groups of tourists arrive at f nine in the morning.

The light is perfect for pictures in the g evening

You can visit the Taj Mahal by moonlight, but you can only stay for h 30 minutes. They only allow i 50 people in each group at night.