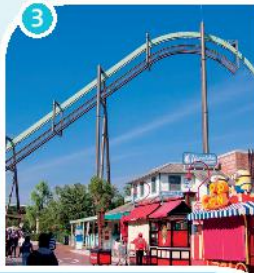


- 1 Check the meanings of the words in the box. Then look at photos 1–4. What can you see in the photos?

cosplay thrill ride
water ride rollercoaster



- 2 What places can you find in a theme park? Read the text and check your answers.

- 3 2.39 Read and listen to the text and answer the questions.

- 1 How many theme parks are there in Japan?
- 2 When did Tokyo Disneyland open?
- 3 Are theme park rides dangerous?
- 4 What kind of ride can be scary?
- 5 What can you do at Edo Wonderland?
- 6 What other things can you do at theme parks?

- 4 **YOUR CULTURE** Write about a theme park in your country. Use the internet to help you find the information you need.

Name of theme park	
Location	
Opening hours	
Best part	
Other things you can do	

- 5 **USE IT!** Work in pairs. Tell your partner about your theme park in exercise 4.

Theme parks, Japan

Theme parks are very popular in Japan and there are more than 100 parks with lots of things to see and do. Tokyo Disneyland opened in 1983. It was the first Disney theme park outside the US.

The rides at modern Japanese theme parks are fast and exciting – but they are very safe. The bravest people can go on the ‘thrill rides’ – these are scary rides that use a lot of expensive technology.

Other theme parks in Japan are about the Japanese way of life. For example, at Edo Wonderland Nikko Edomura, you can dress up in historical clothes and visit attractions such as a Ninja Trick Maze.

Theme parks have more than just rides and rollercoasters. There are also shops, cafés, restaurants, shows and concerts.

