

6 Read Nick's review again and find an example for each category in the **WRITING FOCUS**.

7 Complete the **LANGUAGE FOCUS** with the words in purple in Nick's review.

LANGUAGE FOCUS

Describing the location of a place

Use the following structures to describe the location of a place:

- A reef/An island ¹ _____ the (west) coast (of) ...
... is a town/resort/region on the (east) coast (of) .../inland from .../to the south of .../high in the mountains/deep in the forest, etc.
- It is ² _____ by turquoise waters/majestic mountains/lush forests/vast deserts.
- In the southern part of the island/country ³ _____ the Bay of Laganas/the resort of ...
- Part of its ⁴ _____ is sandy beach/the region is a national park/the beach is closed to tourists.

8 In pairs, choose a famous tourist destination in your country and describe its location. Use the **LANGUAGE FOCUS** to help you. Can your partner guess the place you are describing?

9 Read the notice from the Young Traveller website. Then follow the instructions below.

MORE ECO-HOLIDAY REVIEWS WANTED!

We hope you enjoy the reviews on this page and find them useful. We would like to include more reviews from readers who have been to eco-friendly places on holiday. This might be a particular hotel, restaurant or a whole area. Send us a review describing the place and how it is attempting to be environmentally friendly.

1 Decide which place you are going to write about and do some research. Choose from these places or use your own idea:

- Masai Mara National Reserve, Kenya
- Fraser Island, Great Sandy National Park, Australia
- Punta Tombo Penguin Rookery, Argentina
- Yellowstone National Park, the USA

(*Hint: search for 'visitor rules' or 'visitors' guide'.*)

2 Follow the paragraph plan in Nick's review (see Exercise 4).

10 Write your review in 140–190 words. Use the **WRITING FOCUS** and the **LANGUAGE FOCUS** to help you.

3 Under pressure from environmental groups, the Greek government made parts of the coastline into a marine national park in 1999. As a result, building is not allowed, and vehicles and artificial lights are banned near the beach. Similarly, speedboats are so disruptive that they are not permitted, and there are no night flights to Zakynthos as the noise scares the turtles. While tourists can visit some of the nesting beaches, this can only be done at certain times and there are strict rules about contact.

4 So, for people who care about the environment and want to make an environmentally-friendly holiday choice, I can thoroughly recommend a visit to Zakynthos. If you're looking for somewhere beautiful and peaceful too, then this is the place for you.

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