

GREEN

Agroturistika -- pobyt na venkově za účelem rekreace či turistického poznání s ubytováním v zemědělských usedlostech a využitím volného času např. výpomocí při zemědělských pracích, pobytem ve zdravém venkovském prostředí, jízdou na kole atd.

Ekoturistika -- účast na cestovním ruchu využívajících přírodních zdrojů a zajímavostí, beroucí ohled na jejich zachování pro příští generace.

Ekogroturistika -- pobyty v zemědělských usedlostech zabývajících se ekologicky vedeným zemědělstvím

TOURISM

Reading A

The Agro-, Eco- or Village Tourism is a healthy, pleasant and adventurous form of tourism and relaxation. Enjoying free time is associated with green and clean nature, traditions in lifestyle, food and culture. Walking across forests, admiring wild flowers on meadows, riding horses, sunbathing on pastures, fishing in streams or beautiful lakes all bring quality enjoyment which offer relaxation from hectic days in the office.

Especially in the Czech Republic foreign visitors coming from large cities will be taken aback by "skansen" or open air museums exhibiting old Czech and Moravian architecture and traditions.

1. _____

Folklore fans should not forget to visit South Moravian painted houses of Strážnice and use the opportunity to familiarise themselves with traditional Moravian folk costumes which may be seen all over the region. The ornamented and embroidered folk costumes can be seen in Chodsko region around Domažlice town in West Bohemia or the Valašsko region in North Moravia.

As much as a third of the Czech territory is covered with hilly regions abounding in woodlands and meadows.

2. _____

You can stay in a charming farmhouse on a working farm, minutes away from a beautiful national park, scenic walks, extensive lawns and attractive gardens. All en-suite bedrooms offer comfort and style and superb traditional home-cooking are only some of the advantages provided to you when relaxing in the countryside. In fact, agro-tourism is becoming an important part of the Czech tourism industry.

Comprehension check

Two sentences have been removed from the passage. Choose from the sentences A-C the ones which fit gaps 1 and 2. There is one extra sentence which you don't need to use.

- A Wildlife regions offer many opportunities for sport and tourism, game hunting, angling or fishing.
- B Tourists will enjoy visiting "living" villages and towns with their original lifestyle.
- C These are particularly suitable for tourists wishing to spend their holiday at family farms.

Comprehension notes

Choose the correct definitions for these words and expressions from the article.

- 1. a pasture
 - A flour paste used in making pies
 - B a field covered with grass for cattle
 - C minister of religion
- 2. hectic day
 - A very busy, rushed day
 - B a very great day
 - C noisy and clumsy
- 3. take aback
 - A to take responsibility for
 - B to be upset
 - C surprise
- 4. embroider
 - A decorate with designs in needlework
 - B to involve in a quarrel
 - C ornament with a raised design
- 5. angling
 - A space between two straight lines
 - B to speak English fluently
 - C use a rod and line to catch fish
- 6. game hunting
 - A killing animals for sport
 - B to chase for an enjoyable activity
 - C tag (children's game)

EXERCISE 2

For questions 1-5, decide which word or phrase A, B or C best fits each space.

Tourism and the Environment

Visitors can place a great strain on an area's 1. At the height of the season, places like the Lake District attract many cars and coaches filled with visitors. Problems of visitor numbers are by no means restricted to the 2. Historic towns such as Bath and Cambridge have also suffered as a direct result of the number of tourists. Visitors are the lifeblood of Britain's 3. it is crucial, though, to keep in mind the need to 4. the very attractions that those visitors come to see. Environmental issues are at the top of the Government's agenda. And bodies like the Countryside Agency are building partnerships with 5. landowners and local authorities to make sure that the countryside is there to be enjoyed not only now but also in the future.

- 1. A infraction B system C infrastructure
- 2. A natural background B natural environment C surroundings
- 3. A tour industry B tourism trade C tourism industry
- 4. A protect B shelter C defend
- 5. A farmers B peasants C agrarians

Vocabulary feedback

EXERCISE 1

Choose the most suitable word or phrase underlined in each space.

- a) The fields were flooded after the river burst its banks / edges / sides.
- b) During the storm, the climbers sheltered in a cave / cliff / valley.
- c) A small river / stream / torrent runs across the bottom of our garden.
- d) From the peak / summit / top of the hill you can see the sea.
- e) You must carry a lot of water when you cross the desert / plain / sand.
- f) In the middle of the square there is an old fountain / source / tap.

Listening Comprehension 5: Venice

You are going to listen to a speech delivered at a conference on "Congestion in Historic Towns". Listen and complete the sentences with words, which the speaker used.

- 1. The streets are completely filled up with sluggish streams of people _____, looking into shopwindows and peering around. (2 words)
- 2. In the harbour one can see _____ (4 words).
- 3. Merchants bringing _____ used to disembark in Venice (5 words).
- 4. The issue is how to preserve the _____ while accommodating the hordes who come to admire it (2 words).
- 5. Tourism planners came up with the idea of _____ to limit the total number of tourists allowed into the city (2 words).
- 6. Many people want to give back to Venice the character of a _____ (2 words).