

Description	Students write about a town or city
Lesson link	Use this activity at the end of the lesson
Time	20 minutes
Extra material	None

Instructions

a Ask SS to think about the Hammerfest text.

b Write on the board:

Why does the writer use a lot of statistics?
Who would read this type of text?

Explain / elicit the meaning of *statistics*. Divide SS into pairs. And give them three minutes to discuss the questions. While SS are talking write on the board:

What's the city / town called?
Where is it?
How many people live there?
Do a lot of tourists visit?
What do people do there?

Check answers to the first two questions.
(Answers: *to make the text more interesting; tourists*)

c Divide SS into pairs / groups of three and ask them to nominate a writer. Tell them to think about a city anywhere in the world. Ask them to write approximately 25 – 50 words about the city. Refer them to the questions on the board and suggest that they use these as a plan to structure their writing. Explain that it is the process of writing – thinking carefully about vocabulary and grammar that is important in this exercise so SS should work as a group and discuss their ideas. Set SS about 15 minutes to write.

d When the texts are finished, stick them on the wall for other groups to read.