

Unit 8 Reading Worksheet 1

Name _____

1 Read the article and complete the sentence.

Ecotourism focuses on _____.

ECOTOURISM

Tourism can create jobs, help the **economy** and provide fun and exciting experiences for people. But not all tourism is good, and not all tourists are **respectful**. Some tourists leave rubbish everywhere, and they don't care if they **disturb** animals or wildlife. Some big hotels and **resorts** use a lot of water and electricity, and they can produce a lot of waste. In these cases, tourism is very **harmful** to the environment.

However, there are ways to travel and be eco-friendly. Some hotels and businesses participate in ecotourism - tourism that focuses on the beauty and **conservation** of the environment. In the past, this kind of tourism was difficult to imagine. These businesses try to reduce the negative impact of tourism. They reduce waste or harmful emissions, save water and educate tourists. Consider ecotourism for your next holiday!



2 Read and circle T (True) or F (False). Correct the false sentences.

1. Tourism can help the economy and create jobs. ☒ T ☐ F

2. Tourism can't harm the environment. ☐ T ☐ F

3. Ecotourism was difficult to imagine in the past. ☐ T ☐ F

4. Ecotourism hotels use a lot of water and electricity. ☐ T ☐ F

5. Businesses can reduce the negative impact of tourism. ☐ T ☐ F

Guess What!

Costa Rica is famous for its ecotourism. Ecotourism in Costa Rica is helping the economy and the environment.

Glossary

economy: the money and resources of a place
respectful: feeling or showing respect
disturb: to bother, negatively impact
resorts: holiday destinations with lots of facilities and activities
harmful: bad, damaging
conservation: protection of nature