

Saratoga Library English Conversation Club

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Dreams, Wishes and Bucket Lists

Warm Up: What are you looking forward to this summer?

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Many of us dream about places to go to and things to do. In some cases, they are things we can do tomorrow or even the next hour like trying a new restaurant with a friend. In other cases, some of us dream about daring adventures.

If you have made a list of these places and activities you want to do before you are not able to, we call this a *bucket list*. For instance, have you ever wanted to travel to special places like the ones listed below? They are on many people's bucket lists.

Look at the photos of these famous places, say their names, discuss whether you have been there, if they are on your bucket list, and what you think of them.

Special Places to Visit

1. Serengeti (sair-en-get-ee) National Park of Tanzania (tan-zuh-nee-ya)

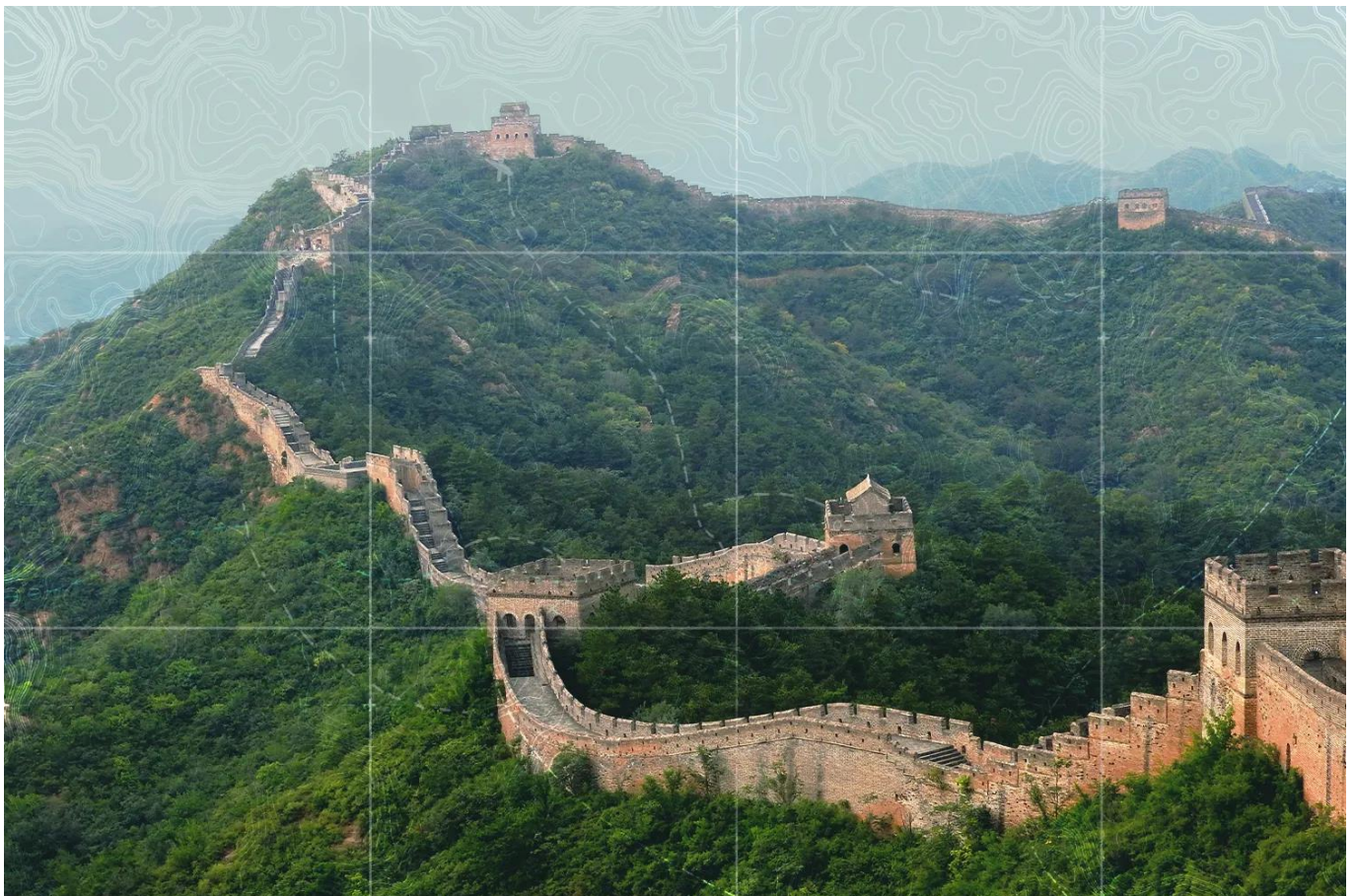


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2. Great Pyramids of Egypt



3. The Great Wall of China



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4. Machu Picchu, Peru



5. Oxford University



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6. Eiffel Tower



7. Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park to see the Eruption of Mount Kilauea



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Unusual Things to Do?

Have you ever wanted to go on an adventure or do something unusual like the activities below? Look at the photos below, discuss whether you have done anything like it, if the activity is on your bucket list, and what you think of them.

1. Traveling through a country in an RV or recreational vehicle and camping



2. Mountain Climbing



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3. Bird Watching



4. Rescuing wildlife



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5. Going Ziplining



6. Taking a flight in a hot air balloon



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7. Go bungee jumping



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Discussion

1. Have your dreams, wishes and bucket list changed as you have gotten older?
2. Do you have a bucket list written down or is it in your head?
3. Have things that you consider important changed over the years? What are they and why have they changed?
4. What special things have you done?
5. Is there a food that you have always wanted to try? What is it?
6. Some people dream of flying a plane or playing an instrument. What would you like to learn before it's too late?
7. Is there a book, movie, or artwork that you have always wanted to read or see?
8. Is there someone from your past you want to reconnect with? Why that person?

References

<https://printdiscuss.com/bucket-list-conversation-questions/>