

Kenji explores the city

Warm-up

1. Have you been to a big city? What city was it? (*Yes, I have. I went to...*)
2. What is your favorite thing to do in a city? (*I like to...*)
3. Can you name three places to visit in a city? (*A museum, ...*)

Vocabulary Match

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| 1. tower ● | ● over a river | 5. tourist ● | ● very tall building |
| 2. bridge ● | ● tall building | 6. skyscraper ● | ● water spray |
| 3. discover ● | ● underground train | 7. plaza ● | ● open public space |
| 4. subway ● | ● find | 8. fountain ● | ● visitor |

Story

Kenji is a young boy from a small town in Japan. One day, he goes on an adventure to explore the big city with his family. They take the subway to get around the city quickly. In the city, Kenji sees many interesting things like tall skyscrapers, a beautiful plaza, and a bridge over the river. He visits a lively market where people buy and sell many things. Kenji also discovers a peaceful park with a big fountain in the center. He loves to watch the water spray up into the air.

Kenji and his family visit a famous tower and take an elevator to the top. From there, they can see the whole city. Kenji spots many tourists who are also enjoying the view. At the end of the day, Kenji is tired but happy. He can't wait to explore more cities in the future.

Quiz

1. How does Kenji's family travel around the city?
2. Where do Kenji and his family go to see the whole city?

Conversation

Kenji: Dad, look at that tall building! It's amazing!

Dad: That's a skyscraper, Kenji. The city has many of them.

Kenji: I wish we had one in our town.

Dad: Haha, maybe one day, but I think our town is nice just the way it is.

Kenji: Yeah, you're right. But exploring the city is so much fun!

Dad: It sure is, Kenji. Let's enjoy our adventure today.

Discussion Questions

1. What is your favorite place in the city?
2. Would you prefer to live in a city or a small town? Why?
3. What other cities would you like to visit? Why?