

## Lesson 9: Sightseeing

### Introduction:

1. What are some tourist attractions in your own city / region / country?
2. What would you like to see while on a homestay?
3. What rules are common at popular sightseeing spots?

### Vocabulary / Phrases:

tourist information	overrated	underrated	lively, bustling
scenic	secluded	unspoiled	touristy
polluted	overdeveloped	crowded	hectic
souvenir shops	amusement arcades	promenade	entertainment venues

It's included in the price of admission.

What's that (building) called?

### Conversation:

- Amelia: Have you been to the Royal Pavilion yet, Maki?
- Maki: Yes, I have! It's really beautiful. I totally recommend it. There's a museum there, as well.
- Amelia: Interesting. I heard it was overrated, but perhaps I should check it out.
- Maki: Yeah, you've got to go. It was the summer home of King George IV.
- ...
- Amelia: Excuse me, Ms. Burton. Maki and I want to go sightseeing this weekend. Can you recommend somewhere?
- Ms. Burton: Well, there's the Palace Pier. It's a bit touristy, but there are a lot of souvenir shops.
- Amelia: Yes, we've already been there. It was great, but a bit crowded.
- Ms. Burton: Well, then. If you want to get away from the city and find somewhere more secluded, I suggest you go on the Bluebell Railway.
- Amelia: Oh, that sounds interesting!
- Maki: Oh yeah! It's here in the brochure. Let's do that!
- Amelia: Sounds good! Erm.. Ms. Burton, could you tell us about the Brighton Festival? I heard it starts next week, but... erm... what is it exactly?
- Ms. Burton: Ah, yes! Well, it runs for three weeks. Artists and musicians, from all over the world, come here to perform. Here, let me show you the website so you can see what's on and how to get tickets.
- Amelia: Wow, that sounds amazing!

### What to expect:

Besides the popular tourist attractions, be sure to ask local people to recommend sightseeing spots that are "off the beaten path". You could discover some amazing places that most tourists never see.

Keep your eyes peeled for tourist signs. Here are some examples from the UK:

[https://www.sabre-roads.org.uk/wiki/index.php?title=File:TSRGD\\_Section\\_of\\_Tourist\\_Symbols\\_II.png](https://www.sabre-roads.org.uk/wiki/index.php?title=File:TSRGD_Section_of_Tourist_Symbols_II.png)

Here are the most popular tourist attractions in Brighton:

<https://www.planetware.com/tourist-attractions-/brighton-eng-es-brighton.htm>