

LESSON 7. Haunted

Communicative area: reading a brochure

1. In pairs, play the game *Love it or hate it* using the ideas below. Take turns to choose a thing and say why you love it or hate it. Your partner has to choose the opposite no matter if it's true about them or not.

Example: *Going on holiday alone*

Student A: I would hate doing that as it would make me feel really lonely and homesick.

Student B: I love going on holiday alone as it lets me immerse myself in a new culture and gives me more opportunities to make new friends.

1. Staying in a five-star hotel;
2. Having a relaxing beach holiday;
3. Going on holiday alone;
4. Travelling to the outer space;
5. Visiting a haunted castle;
6. Going on a tailor-made tour.

2. a) Read the brochures. Have you or anyone you know ever been to any of them?

1. Twenty meters of depth, 11,000 m² of total area, the Paris Catacombs have been attracting visitors for years since they were created. In the late eighteenth century, Paris authorities decided to relocate the city's cemeteries to an underground cite. With the remains of more than six million people, the place is truly one of the spookiest in the world. Some of the tunnels are still available for tours.



Opening hours: Tuesday to Sunday from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; the ticket window closes at 7:30 p.m.

Duration of visit: 45 minutes

The 1.5-kilometer circuit is one-way only. Entrance at 1, Avenue du Colonel Henri Rol-Tanguy and exit at 21 bis, Avenue René-Coty.

Constant temperature: 14°C

Children under fourteen must be accompanied by an adult.

The site is not recommended for the motor disabled, pregnant women, sensitive individuals or young children.

If you have questions concerning visit conditions and access to the Catacombs, please visit our website at catacombes.paris.fr/en.

2. The Kehoe House is a beautifully restored Renaissance Revival mansion. In 1892 Mr and Mrs Kehoe and their ten children moved into their new house. Unfortunately, two of the children died in that house and the house was sold. Later it was turned into a bed and breakfast which is world known for its service, style and location. Some guests have reported all sorts of paranormal activity at the Kehoe House. Is the house haunted? Visit us to find out the truth.



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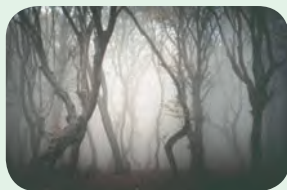
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3. Nesvizh Castle is known not only for its gorgeous architecture and picturesque surroundings but also for its ghost, the mysterious Black Lady. Legend says that the spirit of Barbara Radziwill who was poisoned returned to the castle after her death. Visitors complained about strange creaks and noises and the silhouette of a lady dressed in black appeared in the windows of the castle. However, the ghost is believed to show up to warn about the dangers and troubles to come.



Tours around the palace are available at a daily basis. If you have already been to the palace, you can face more adventures on our quest tours “Secrets and Mysteries of Radziwill Palace” and “The old keeper’s secrets”. The tours are available for groups of 12–20 people. You can get information and order a tour by phone: +375 (17) 702-06-02 or visit our website – niasvizh.by/en.

4. Hoia Baciú is called the creepiest forest in the world. It is located in Transylvania, Romania. Visitors often complain about intense feelings of being watched as they travel through the forest. Some of the most common things people report seeing are ghosts, faces appearing in photos that are not visible with eyes, the failure of electronic devices and even some UFOs. If you’re looking for a supernatural adventure, then it’s the right destination for you. Just don’t forget before you set off – the place is only haunted if you bring your own ghosts.



5. The 800-year-old castle in Germany Burg Wolfsegg is a great stone monument known for its beauty as much as for its ghost stories. The most famous story relates to the wife of the owner of the castle, Klara Von Helfenstein. The marriage was unhappy as her husband was always away fulfilling his military responsibilities and Klara left alone at the castle became bored and lonely and started to look for others to keep her company. When her husband discovered she was in a relationship with another man he killed her. Ever since her murder a ghost of woman dressed in white appeared in the castle, often seen close to Klara’s bedroom. Though the history tells that in reality Klara outlived her husband, many still believe it is her spirit haunting the halls of Wolfsegg castle.



Opening times: May 30th to October 3rd, Saturday, Sunday and public holidays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Guided tours and additional opening by arrangement.

Please note! Wolfsegg Castle is unfortunately not barrier-free and due to its structural conditions (including several narrow stairs), it is only accessible to a very limited number for people with walking difficulties. If necessary, we recommend a telephone consultation before the planned visit.

b) Read the information again and mark the statements as True, False or Doesn't say.

1. The Paris Catacombs were found as an entertainment site.
2. The Catacombs form a circle, so when you finish your tour you get back to the entrance.
3. Mr and Mrs Kahoe were the owners of the Kahoe bed and breakfast.
4. It is possible to contact the staff at the Kahoe house.
5. The Black Lady is a friendly ghost.
6. Guided tours are the only activities available in Nesvizh Castle.
7. Hoia Baciú is the place that inspired Bram Stoker for creating Dracula.
8. Electronic devices react to the paranormal activity in the forest.
9. Klara Von Helfenstein was a noble and famous lady of her time.
10. Wolfsegg castle isn't available for people with walking difficulties.

c) Choose one of the places you would like to visit. Imagine what it would be like to spend a night there. In small groups share your ideas.

- 3.**  Find information about another famous place which is said to be haunted by ghosts. Write a brochure about this place.

