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Schreiben Englisch

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Example blog post

Ellen's blog

Day 8, 14th April 2014

The Eye of the Elephant



Today I got up early and drove to Krüger National Park, one of the most famous national parks in South Africa, because my family and I wanted to go on safari.

I saw a lot of wild animals. First we had to drive for some time but then the Jeep stopped and the guide pointed to a tree. There they were: lions! They were lying on and around the tree and they were sleeping. Breathtaking! Lions like trees because there is some shadow on the hot days. I had never seen wild lions before. It was amazing! There were also some other fascinating animals: a group of giant giraffes that was walking by our jeep, a huge rhinoceros that was eating grass, some beautiful antelopes that were running around, and a big grey hippo that was taking a bath. I love wild animals so it was great to see so many different fascinating animals and how they live in the wild.

There also was a scary moment when the jeep stopped because a massive elephant was blocking the road. It came towards the car, stopped next to it and looked at me. Crazy! It had friendly dark eyes and I felt like it was looking right into my eyes. Then it moved his huge head with its long white tusks and trotted away.

The trip was a great experience. If you ever travel to South Africa, you should definitely go on safari. But make sure you take a hat and enough sun blocker. It is very hot out there.

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Structure focus

A Read Ellen's blog post and complete the text with the words from the box.

| A blog post starts with t | e that grabs the reader's |
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| attention. In the | you give information about the topic that you are writing about in your blog. |
| The of t | ne blog contains several paragraphs that provide someabout the topic. |
| You can close your blog | ost with a |
| details | title tip introduction main body time and date |

- **B** Write the names of the parts of a blog post next to where they belong in the example blog.
- C Read the following part of a blog post. Explain where you would start a new paragraph.

My travel blog

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First I went to Madame Tussauds. I had to wait a long time because there was a long line in front of the entrance. But it was worth it. I saw a lot of famous people that stand there and that are made out of wax. I took some fantastic pictures. After that I took a break in Hyde Park. It is the biggest park in London and I spent some time there, walked around and watched people who were doing some interesting sport. I had a cup of tea and enjoyed the weather. The next stop was Buckingham Palace. There were many people who were taking photos. I closely looked at the windows but I didn't see the Queen. The Palace is very huge and it is a beautiful and old building.

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Language focus

A When you write a blog the reader wants to know some details. Have a look at the examples from Ellen's text and do the tasks.

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- 1 Highlight the details that are added to the underlined words.
- 2 Explain how details are added to the underlined words.
- B Read the main body of Ellen's text again and find out which tenses are used and why.

| tense | example | explanation |
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- C Read the sentences about the title of a blog post and tick the right statements. Correct the false statements.
 - (a) The title of a blog post should be one long sentence.
 - (b) The title makes the reader curious about the blog.
 - (c) Nouns, pronouns and adjectives are written with a capital letter.
 - (d) Titles should be very vague.

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Content focus

A Look at the pictures and collect ideas for a blog post about a trip to India.







Introduction:

Main paragraph 1 – topic:

Main paragraph 1 – details:

Main paragraph 2 – topic:

Main paragraph 2 – details:

Main paragraph 3 – topic:

Main paragraph 3 – topic:

Tip:

B Think about a good title for the blog post.



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