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Spain to replace USA as second most popular tourism location

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THE READING

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Spain will replace the USA as the world's second most popular tourist destination. The UN World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) said 7 per cent more international tourists visited Spain in 2017. Spain's prime minister backed up the figures. He said the country had more than 82 million international visitors last year. This continues a trend as the figure for 2017 broke Spain's tourist arrival records for the fifth year in a row. This is despite the terror attack on Barcelona in August, and independence demonstrations in Spain's Catalonia region.

There was an 8 per cent increase in tourism to Europe in 2017. The UNWTO said: "Europe recorded extraordinary results for such a large and rather mature region." Africa is increasingly becoming an attractive destination. Tourism there went up by 8 per cent. Asia and the Pacific saw growth of 6 per cent, the Middle East recorded 5 per cent, and tourism to the Americas grew by 3 per cent. The UNWTO added: "International travel [is] consolidating the tourism sector as a key driver in economic development." France kept its position as the world's top tourist destination.

Sources: <https://www.theguardian.com/world/2018/jan/16/spain-set-to-replace-us-as-second-most-popular-tourism-destination>
<https://www.mirror.co.uk/travel/news/spain-breaks-tourism-records-overtakes-11854884>
<http://www.bbc.com/news/business-42692641>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Spain will | a. a trend |
| 2. popular tourist | b. a row |
| 3. tourists | c. region |
| 4. Spain's prime minister backed | d. attack on Barcelona |
| 5. This continues | e. replace the USA |
| 6. for the fifth year in | f. up the figures |
| 7. despite the terror | g. visited Spain in 2017 |
| 8. Spain's Catalonia | h. destination |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. an 8 per cent increase | a. attractive destination |
| 2. Europe recorded extraordinary | b. development |
| 3. Africa is increasingly becoming an | c. growth of 6 per cent |
| 4. Tourism there went | d. destination |
| 5. the Pacific saw | e. results |
| 6. consolidating the tourism | f. in tourism |
| 7. a key driver in economic | g. up by 8 per cent |
| 8. the world's top tourist | h. sector |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Spain (1) _____ USA as the world's second most popular (2) _____. The UN World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) said 7 per cent more international tourists visited Spain in 2017. Spain's prime minister (3) _____ figures. He said the country had more than 82 million international (4) _____. This continues a trend as the figure for 2017 broke Spain's (5) _____ for the fifth year in a row. This (6) _____ terror attack on Barcelona in August, and independence demonstrations in Spain's Catalonia region.

There was an 8 per cent (7) _____ to Europe in 2017. The UNWTO said: "Europe recorded extraordinary results for (8) _____ and rather mature region." Africa is increasingly becoming (9) _____. Tourism there went up by 8 per cent. Asia and the Pacific saw growth of 6 per cent, the Middle East recorded 5 per cent, (10) _____ the Americas grew by 3 per cent. The UNWTO added: "International travel [is] consolidating the tourism sector as (11) _____ in economic development." France (12) _____ as the world's top tourist destination.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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TOURISM SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180118-spain-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about tourism in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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