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Topic 2: Architecture

**The Aims**: - To help learners be familiar with architecture vocabulary.

* To test learners to talk about the topic for about 5 minutes.
* Motivating them to talk by adding extra marks.

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| **Pre-listening** | 1. T shows Ss the picture of the Great Wall of China and asks them, what does it represent?   What is meant by the term architecture?   1. You are going to watch a video about architecture in China, but before you watch find the meanings of the following words.   Brick, construction, preserve, complex, landmark, development, heritage, structure.   1. Complete the sentences below from the previous exercise.  * To build the new building, the developer first had to destroy a…………. wall. * They expected the new shopping…………….. to cost 1 billion dollars. * They wanted it to be a……….. building, like the Eiffel Tower. * The building design was traditional to keep in with the ……… of the area. * It was important that the developers………. The old buildings in the area. * Care was taken to make sure that the………. Of the building was as quiet as possible. * The new housing……….. consisted over 200 houses. * The new office block is a steel and glass……… |
| **While- watching** | 1. Watch the video and circle the correct expression to complete the sentences.  * The Forbidden City is an example of traditional/ high-rise Chinese architecture. * The Great Wall stretches from Shanhaiguan to Beijing/Lop Lake. * There is increasing pressure on Chinese architects to build new housing developments/ architectural landmarks * Traditional housing in Beijing is being preserved/ constructed for future generations to enjoy.  1. Watch the video and state whether the statements are true or false.  * Beijing is home to over 12 million people. * The city boasts internationally famous architectural sites such as the Forbidden City. * The Forbidden City is the largest single wooden structure in the world. * The Great Wall of China is over 8000 kilometers long. * There is a ship on the top of each watchtower on the Great Wall * High- rise buildings in Beijing are quick and cheap to put up. * All of the housing in Beijing is modern. |
| **Post- listening** | **Discussion**   1. What are the advantages of high and low buildings? 2. What are the differences between traditional and modern buildings in your country? 3. Are there any architectural wonders in your country? When were they built? How were or are they used?   B.N. some ideas are taken from the reference below. The video is from You Tube.  **Reference**  Lansford, L. (2020).Unlock Listening & Speaking 4.(B2)English Profile. |