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Writing

Unit10 – Lesson5

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WHAT IS ONE OF YOUR FAVORITE PLACES TO VISIT? WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT IT?

Have Ss read the task and answer the questions. Then elicit their answers in class.

Have Ss do the task in class. If needed, teach the words.



B Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

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1. The new store sells _____ clothes from around the world.
2. It's fun to _____ through the books, even if you aren't going to buy any of them.

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Have Ss skim the text again and do the task. Then check the answers in class.

READ THE BLOG.

WHAT IS IT ABOUT? DOES IT MAKE YOU WANT TO VISIT CHIANG MAI?



Chiang Mai, Then and Now

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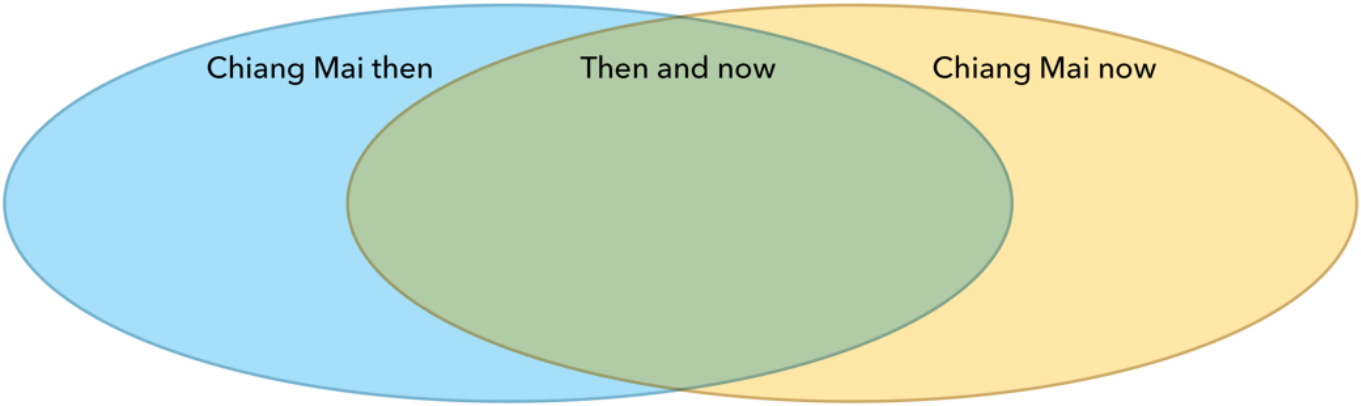
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While some people might be bothered by these changes, I'm excited to see the city adapt and grow. I can't wait to see what Chiang Mai will look like twenty years from now.



Have Ss scan the text again and do the task. Then check the answers in class.

D Read the blog again. Take notes in the chart.



Teach the writing skill and have the Ss do the task in class.

2 FOCUS ON WRITING

Read the Writing Skill. Then reread the blog. Underline the words and phrases that are used to show comparison and contrast.

WRITING SKILL Use a range of transition words to show comparison and contrast

Words and phrases such as *similarly, likewise, in the same way*, and *in the same fashion* compare ideas. Words and phrases such as *but, however, on the other hand, while, although*, and *on the contrary* contrast ideas.



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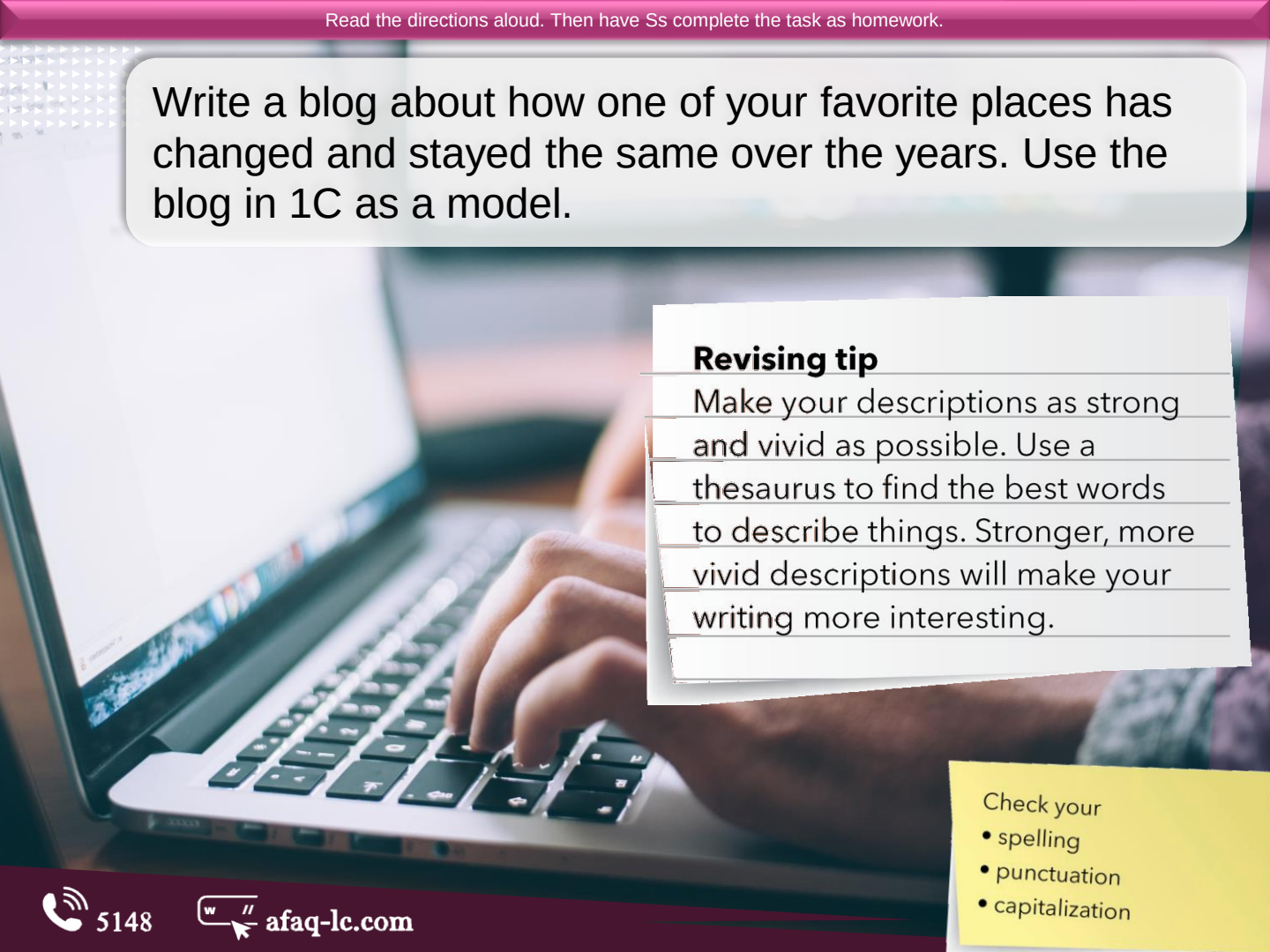
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TALK ABOUT YOUR FAVORITE PLACE TO GO TO.
Create breakout rooms and have the Ss do the task.
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Read the directions aloud. Then have Ss complete the task as homework.

Write a blog about how one of your favorite places has changed and stayed the same over the years. Use the blog in 1C as a model.



Revising tip

Make your descriptions as strong and vivid as possible. Use a thesaurus to find the best words to describe things. Stronger, more vivid descriptions will make your writing more interesting.

Check your
- spelling
- punctuation
- capitalization