2013 Comp B

Opinion Piece

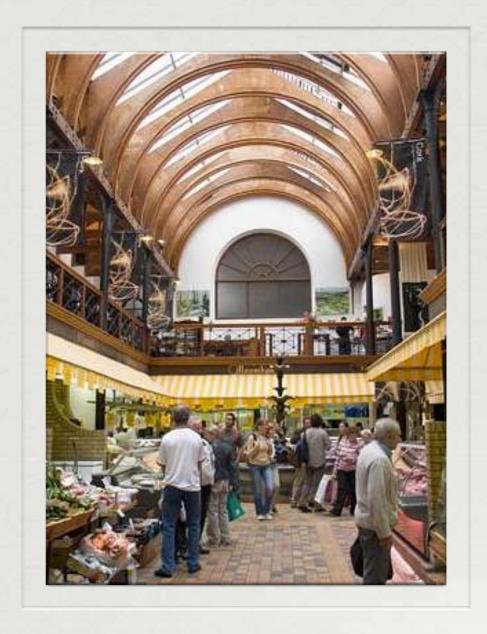
The Question

Write an opinion piece, for inclusion in a series of newspaper articles entitled: 'Must-see Attractions for Tourists', in which you identify one place or public building in Ireland that, in your opinion, tourists should visit and explain your choice.



Consider the following...

- Task? Opinion piece, feature article in a newspaper.
- Content? Describe the attraction and explain why it is worth visiting.



- Audience? Any readers of the newspaper. The type of paper is not specified but you can safely assume a fairly general readership because the article is aimed at anyone who might visit your chosen tourist attraction.
- ▶ It is not specified that the tourists have to be foreign! People can be tourists within their own country. A tourist is simply someone travelling or visiting a place for pleasure.

Register

▶ You can be serious,
 bumorous, formal or
 informal. It's up to you.
 Stick to your chosen register
 throughout the piece.



Remember!

- Stick to ONE place or public building. This was made clear in the question.
- ▶ Inform give plenty of information about your chosen place.

 If you don't have information, choose a different Comp B task
- Describe use plenty of positive adjectives and adverbs
- Persuade use features of the language of persuasion: anecdotes, quotes, rhetorical questions etc.

The examiner will reward...

- clear appreciation of the task
- consistency of register
- power of conviction/
 persuasion
- sense of personal voice
- quality of the writing



Sample Answer

- Here's one I wrote earlier...
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