

PRESENTATION 1

- 1 Do you know what a national park is? Do you know any national parks? Where are they?
- 2 078 Listen and read the texts and decide if these sentences are True (T) or False (F). Correct the false sentences.
- Jiuzhaigou National Park:
- 1 The landscape is not very interesting. T F
 - 2 You can see unusual animals. T F
- Nahuel Huapi National Park:
- 3 All the forests are rainforests. T F
 - 4 It is a safe place for animals. T F
- Virunga National Park:
- 5 The wildlife doesn't interest researchers. T F
 - 6 Mountain gorillas aren't very common. T F

- 3 Read the texts again. Match each name (1-3) to a piece of information (A-C).
- 1 Virunga
 - 2 Jiuzhaigou
 - 3 Nahuelito
- A Endangered species live here.
 - B A creature that may not exist.
 - C A site of particular importance in the world.



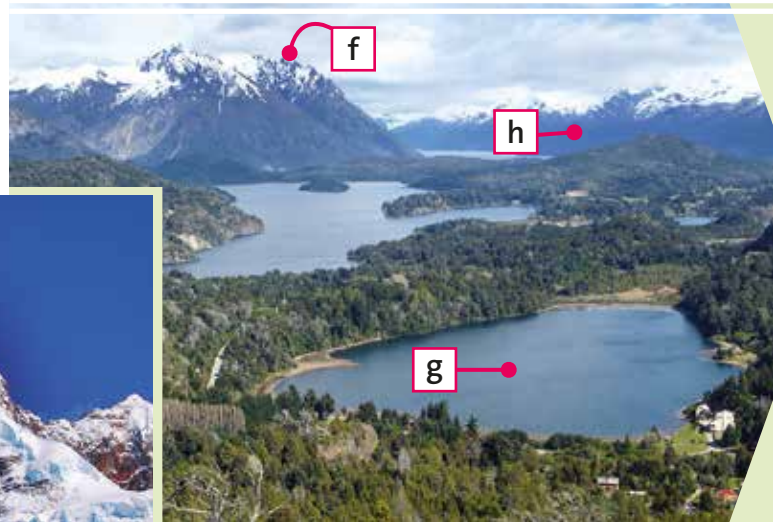
Our green heart

Here are some unique parks around the world!

Jiuzhaigou National Park, China

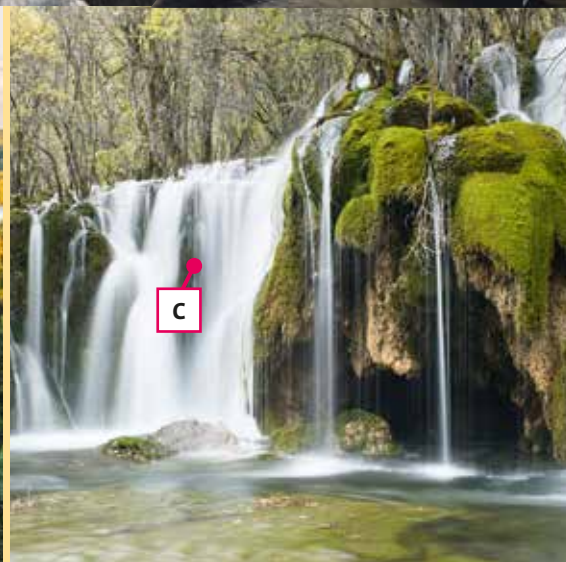
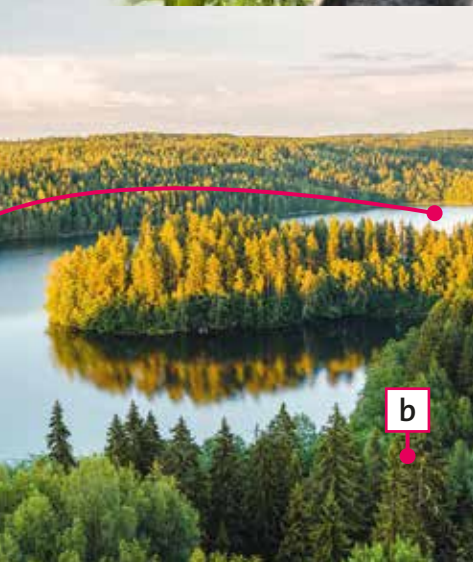
This park covers 720 square km around a deep valley. It is a World Heritage Site because of its spectacular scenery and rare animals and plants. There are high mountains, waterfalls, forests and lakes. There are rare bird species and even rarer animals, like the giant panda. But pandas are extremely difficult to spot. It is easier to see the other rare animals there, like golden monkeys and leopards. They move faster than giant pandas, but they're not as shy as pandas!

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Virunga National Park, the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Virunga is more extensive than the other parks, but it's not as well protected. For scientists it is better for research than other parks because it has more diverse ecosystems than them. It is the home of two endangered species: mountain gorillas live in the tropical forests on the volcano in the south of the park, and the okapi, a fascinating animal of the giraffe family with striped legs like a zebra, lives in the north.



Nahuel Huapi National Park, Argentina

This park lies at the foot of the Andes, in Patagonia. It is bigger than Jiuzhaigou Park and the landscape is definitely just as stunning as Jiuzhaigou. There are glaciers, high mountains covered in snow, and wide lakes and rivers. The sides of the mountains are covered in thick forests, including one area of rainforest. There aren't many rare animals, but the animals here live more peacefully than animals outside the protected area of the park. Then there is Nahuelito, the mythical lake monster. It is older than Nessie, the Loch Ness monster in Scotland. And like Nessie, it is a major tourist attraction!



VOCABULARY

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Geographical features

4 079 Listen and repeat. How many of these geographical features are there in your country?

- forest • glacier • lake • mountain • peak • river
- valley • volcano • waterfall

5 080 Match the geographical features (a-i) in the photos to the words in Exercise 4. Then listen and check.

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| b | g |
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| d | i |
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GLOSSARY

- World Heritage patrimonio mondiale
- landscape paesaggio
- rainforest foresta pluviale
- endangered in pericolo