

THEME 7 FACTS ABOUT TURKEY READING SKILL (YILDIRIM)

A. Read the text and circle the correct alternative in the following sentence.

The text is an extract from a **travel brochure / an encyclopedia**.

THE MOUNT NEMRUT NATIONAL PARK

The giant stone heads on the top of Mount Nemrut are among Türkiye's most famous tourist attractions. The site was established as a national park in 1988. It is located near the village of Kahta in Adıyaman. It is notable for its ancient tomb and temple complex. The extraordinary monumental statues were formed over 2,000 years ago. The complex was constructed by King Antiochus I in 62 BC. The unique historic site was included in the UNESCO World Heritage List in 1987. Mount Nemrut is worth seeing. You'll go on an unforgettable journey through history if you visit it.

B. Read the text again and answer the questions.

1. When was the Mount Nemrut National Park opened?
2. Where is the Mount Nemrut National Park located?
3. Who were the stone heads on Mount Nemrut built by?

C. Read the text below. What ancient city does the text describe?

The ancient city which is located near the town of Selçuk in the west of Türkiye is one of the most popular tourist attractions of the country. It was founded as a seaport in the 10th century BC, and then it became a very important trade center.

The Ancient City of Ephesus is of great historical value with lots of well-preserved structures. Here are some of them in chronological order. The Temple of Artemis, which was built in the 6th century BC, was among the first temples on earth. It is considered one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. The Great Theater was established in the 3rd century BC. Then it was enlarged during the Roman period. It used to be the largest amphitheater in Anatolia in ancient times with a seating capacity of over 24,000.

The Terrace Houses are situated on the hill opposite the Temple of Hadrian. They are also called "the houses of the rich". The oldest building dates back to the 1st century BC. People continued to live there until the 7th century AD. Some of the houses have been restored in recent years and they can be visited today. The Temple of Hadrian was built at the beginning of the 2nd century AD and was dedicated to Emperor Hadrian. It is one of the most beautiful buildings in the historic site. The Library of Celsus, which was constructed in 117 AD, was the third richest library in ancient times. It still looks impressive, so it attracts lots of attention. The Ancient City of Ephesus was included in the UNESCO World Heritage List in 2015 because it was one of the greatest cities of ancient times.

D. Read the text again and ask appropriate questions to elicit the answers below.

1. Near the town of Selçuk.
2. In the 10th century BC.
3. In the 6th century BC.
4. The Great Theater.
5. The houses of the rich.
6. The 1st century BC.
7. Emperor Hadrian.
8. The Library of Celsus.
9. In 2015.