

Worksheet 1-1: ESSAY STRUCTURE - Exercise

1. In this essay, look for
 - a. the introduction
 - b. the body, and
 - c. the conclusion.
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 - a. In the introduction, look for the thesis statement.
 - b. In the body, look for the main ideas.

HOME AND AWAY

One fun place that I would like to visit would be Australia. Australia is a country that is very different from ours, but it also has many similarities. The main differences are that the animals in Australia are much more unique than the animals here, the Australian people have different customs than we do, and the climate is much hotter. Australia is similar to our country because they also speak English, they have many beach resorts, and they have large cities as well.

The animals in Australia are very different from those we have in our country. The most common type of animal is the marsupial. These are animals that carry their babies around in a little pouch in their skin. We only have one marsupial, the opossum, in our country. Australia has many types of marsupials. The most popular ones are the kangaroo, the koala bear, and the wallaby. Australia also has many dangerous animals such as crocodiles and venomous snakes. In my opinion, Australia has the most interesting animals in the world.

Australian culture is also very different from culture in the United States. It is tough to live in some parts of the country. Because of that, Australians have a reputation for being tougher than most other people. Australians also seem to be very friendly. They are usually depicted in movies and on TV as being fun and spontaneous. I would like to meet these people during my trip.

The climate of Australia in most of the country is very hot and dry. One large section is called "The Outback." Very few people live in the Outback except the original residents, who still live off of the land. It is very hard to farm or do anything for a living, so many people live in one of the cities or beach towns and only go to the Outback to sight-see. The warm climate creates a beautiful setting though. The middle of the country is basically like a desert you might see in the U.S. The beaches, because Australia is an island and is surrounded by the ocean, are also very beautiful.

Australia shares many similarities with the United States. Both countries speak English. Australia's ancestors are from England, just like the U.S. That's why many of their customs are similar to ours. Australia also has a large tourist industry. They have a lot of resorts, both on the vast beaches and on the edges of the Outback. Many surfers come to the beaches that have some of the best surfing areas in the world. Finally, both countries have large cities. Even though much of Australia isn't populated, some of the big cities, such as Sydney, are as large as the big cities in our country.

I think my place to visit is Australia, because I would like to experience the wildlife, culture, and the amazing climate that the country has to offer. At the same time, it would be easy for me to travel and to communicate with the people, because we have a common language and share many of our customs.