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London is an exciting city like no other. From the buzzing downtown nightclubs to the varied street markets. London is one of the most vibrant European cities still able to show its historic heritage. How does a tourist do London “right”? He begins by avoiding the tourist spots and the popular “Fish and Chip” shops in Piccadilly (patronized solely by unfortunate tourists). Let’s begin a word to the wise: London is expensive, but by avoiding the tourist traps you will get value for money. For example, when you arrive, the most efficient way to travel between Heathrow Airport and downtown London is the “tube” (the city’s underground train system). Take the Piccadilly Line to Piccadilly Circus station, right in the heart of London. The journey will take approximately 50 to 60 minutes and cost is £ 3.40, one way. By contrast, a taxi ride would cost around £ 45, and take at last 45 minutes. For your initial tube ride and all subsequent travels, considerer investing in a Travelcard, available at all the tube and train stations. This card can be used to pay for nearly all public transport, including buses, and will give you the opportunity to mix both English businessmen and other clever tourist. Once there, avoid the tourist eateries, pubs and other destinations. You’ll find that living and eating as the locals do will allow you to stretch your money and see much more than the average tourist does.

1. Indicate whether the following statement are true (T) or false (F), and write down the part of the text ha supports your answer.

- a) Going by taxi to the centre of London from Heathrow takes longer than going by tube.
- b) The typical fish – and chip shops in Piccadilly are well worth a visit for tourists.
- c) London can turn out to be not so expensive if you know where to go.

2. Answer these questions in your own words:

- a) What should not be done after arriving at Heathrow airport?
- b) Is there any way in which a tourist can save money on transport in London?
- c) What is there about tourist places hat should be avoided?

3. Choose the correct form from those given below:

- a) does a ticket to Piccadilly Circus cost?
How many How much How How expensive
- b) When you get to the Trafalgar Square stop you must get the tube.
Off out down away
- c) Are you waiting for the 46 bus? It’s taking a long time!
Still yet already therefore

4. Finish each sentence so that it has exactly the same meaning a the one printed before it e.g. Eating fruit is healthy. >>> It is healthy to eat fruit.

- a) I would rather go to London by tube. I prefer
- b) Eating as the locals do will allow you to save money. You
- c) In London there are tube stations everywhere. Wherever

5. In 60 – 100 words, describe an English – speaking country that interests you and justify your choice.