

Check your ECCE Reading Skills – Part 2 – Activity 1

Key and Item Analysis

Places to See in New York

1. Intrepid Sea-Air-Space Museum

West 46th St. & 12th Ave., New York

One of the most successful battle-tested ships in U.S history, The Intrepid is now one of the most unique attractions in New York City. Together with the guided missile submarine Growler and Vietnam era destroyer Edson, the 900 foot long aircraft carrier Intrepid physically dominates the landscape of Manhattan's picturesque west side.

At the Intrepid Sea-Air-Space Museum, vintage airplanes stand wing-to-wing with some of the world's stealthiest, modern aircraft. General admission includes complimentary tours of the missile submarine Growler and the destroyer Edson. Come aboard for the Intrepid experience.

Museum Hours

Summer:

May 1 - September 30 Monday - Friday 10am - 6pm

Winter:

October 1 - April 30 Wednesday - Sunday 10am - 5pm

Please note that the museum is closed in January.

Last admission 1 hour before closing. Be sure to visit our gift shop. Free parking for out-of-state visitors.

2. The Sony Imax 3D Theater: Across the Sea of Time

Experience New York in another dimension. Put on a pair of IMAX 3D headsets and buckle your seat belts for an unforgettable tour of New York. You'll live, breathe and feel New York like you've never experienced it before. From Wall Street to South Street Seaport and Broadway to Ellis Island. All on an 8-story-high screen in spectacular IMAX sight and sound.

Showtimes: Daily from 10:30 to 12:00 midnight.

Group discounts: Groups of 20 or more receive special rates.

Combo Discounts: See two movies on the same day and have a double IMAX 3D experience for one great price.

3. Radio City Music Hall

Radio City, one of the largest indoor theaters in the world, combines art deco elegance with dazzling production capabilities of the world's greatest stage. Everything in the Music Hall was designed and built on a large scale. From the ingenious dynamic of the great Stage to the 24-karat gold leaf of the Grand foyer ceiling-the word, spectacular.

October 4-5-6 Julio Iglesias

October 13: Elvis Costello and Burt Bacharach

October 17: Tony Bennet and The Squirrel Nut Zippers

The calendar represents a partial listing and is subject to change. A \$2 ticket facility charge is included in the price of each ticket.

Discount parking at central parking locations.

4. Ellis Island Immigration Museum

The first place where US immigrants set foot in the new land at the turn of the century. Here immigrants were checked and officially admitted to the US. Wonderful exhibits of photographs and stories in the examining rooms and dining halls. Look out across the water to see Manhattan and realize what it must have meant to people who had left everything behind to start a new life in the US.

Address: Ellis Island Ferry leaves from Battery Park, New York 10004, Phone 883 - 1986

Hours: Daily 9am - 5pm

Prices: Ferry tickets: \$7; \$5 seniors; \$3 children under 17. Tickets include admission to Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty. Discounts for groups.

5. Empire State Building

Visited by more tourists than any other building in New York. Enjoy a meal while taking in a panoramic view at the top of one of the finest and tallest buildings in the world.

Hours: 9am to Midnight daily. Last tickets sold at 11:25pm. Open daily 365 days a year.

Admission: \$6.00 for adults; \$3.00 for senior citizens and children under 12. Children under 5 are free. Group rates are available by calling 212-736-3100. Tickets may be purchased at the observatory ticket office on the concourse, one level below the ground floor.

Location: Fifth Avenue at 34th Street. Wheelchair facilities are available.

Item Difficulty: Less challenging

1. If you are an out-of-state visitor at which tourist attraction can you park free?

- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. 3
- D. 4

Answer: A

Explanation: The correct answer is A. In the Intrepid Sea-Air-Space Museum visitors from out-of- state can get free parking: "Free parking for out-of-state visitors."

Item Difficulty: Less challenging

2. Which tourist attraction is not available in January?

- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. 3
- D. 5

Answer: A

Explanation: The correct answer is A. The Intrepid Sea-Air-Space Museum is not open in January: "Please note that the museum is closed in January."

Item Difficulty: Moderate

3. Which tourist attractions can you visit up until midnight?

- A. 1 & 3
- B. 2 & 4
- C. 2 & 5
- D. 4 & 5

Answer: C

Explanation: The correct answer is C. The Sony Imax 3D Theater: Across the Sea of Time plays films from the morning until midnight: "**Showtimes:** Daily from 10:30 to 12:00 midnight." The Ellis Island Immigration Museum is also open from the morning until midnight: "**Hours:** 9am to Midnight daily."

Item Difficulty: Moderate

4. Which tourist attractions have a special price for senior citizens?

- A. 1 & 2
- B. 2 & 3
- C. 3 & 4
- D. 4 & 5

Answer: D

Explanation: The correct answer is D. The Ellis Island Immigration Museum offers senior citizens a discount of \$2 on its regular \$7 ticket: "Ferry tickets: \$7; \$5 seniors; \$3 children under 17." The Empire State Building gives senior citizens a half-price discount as they only pay half of the regular \$6 adult admission fee: "**Admission:** \$6.00 for adults; \$3.00 for senior citizens"

Item Difficulty: Moderate

5. Which tourist attractions are open from 9am?

- A. 1 & 2
- B. 2 & 4
- C. 2 & 5
- D. 4 & 5

Answer: D

Explanation: The correct answer is D. The Ellis Island Immigration Museum is open at 9:00 am: "**Hours:** Daily 9am - 5pm." The Empire State Building is also open from 9:00 am: "**Hours:** 9am to Midnight daily."