

## Describing a city

### Task 2: Read the texts about Vancouver.

#### Location and climate

Vancouver is located in the southwest corner of Canada in the province of British Columbia, at about 49° latitude and 123° longitude, next to the Pacific Ocean. Vancouver is surrounded by water on three sides and overlooked by the Coast Range mountains that rise abruptly to more than 1,500m. Its climate is one of the mildest in Canada. Temperatures average 3°C in January and 18°C in July. Vancouver's average annual precipitation is 1,219 mm. Most rainfall occurs in winter.

#### Population

With a population of about 662,248 (according to the 2021 census), Vancouver lies in an urban area of more than 2 million people. Vancouver is the largest city in the province of British Columbia and the third largest metropolitan area in Canada. The metropolitan area covers more than 900 square kilometres.