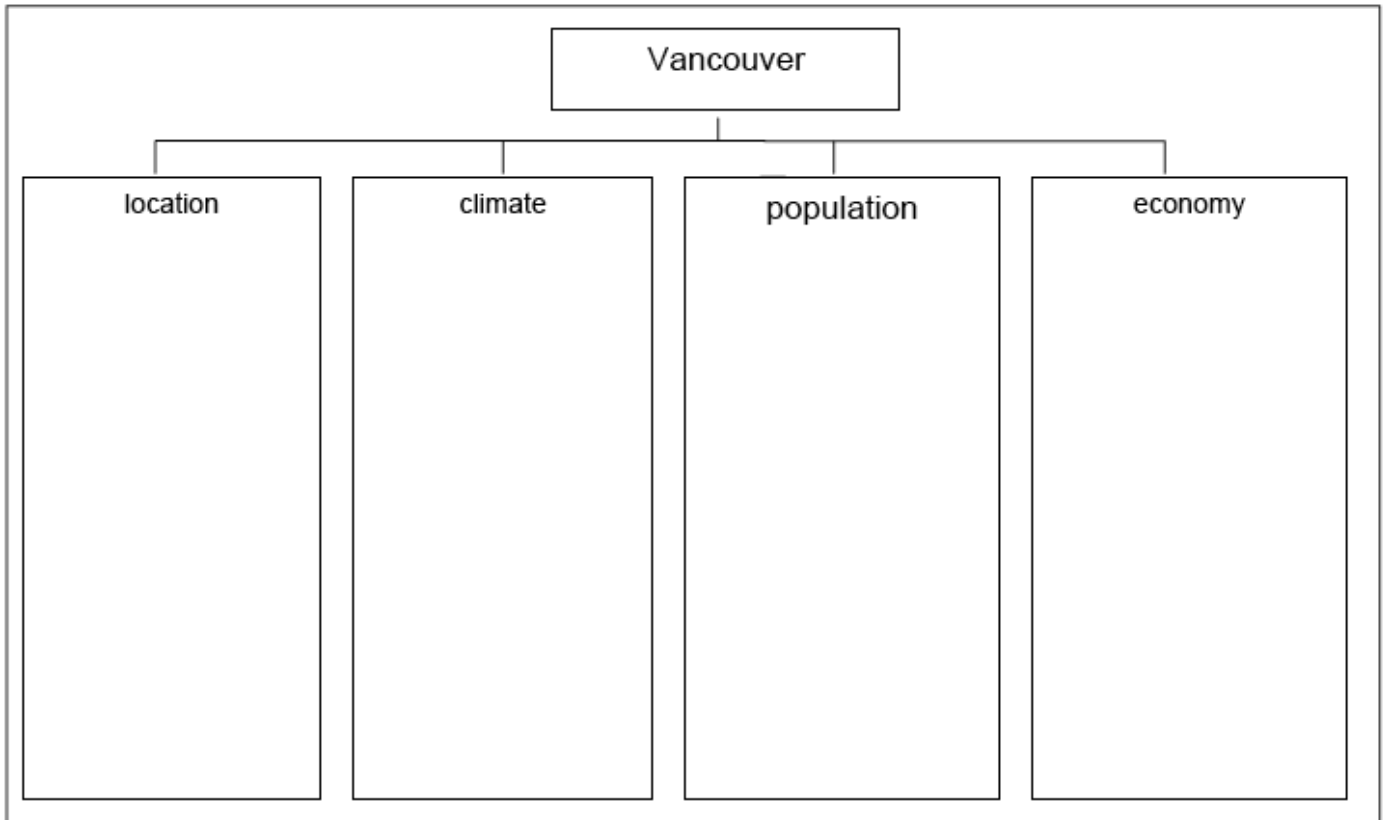


Describing a city

Task 1: Predict what you will hear in the texts about Vancouver, using the different categories to make notes.



Task 4: Check the meanings of these words.

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Task 5: Complete the text about Vancouver's economy using the words from Task 4.

As the main western terminus of Canada's transcontinental highway and rail _____, Vancouver is the _____ city of western Canada, as well as one of the nation's largest industrial centres. The Port of Vancouver is Canada's largest and most _____ port, trading more than \$172 billion in goods with more than 160 trading _____ annually. Port activities _____ 115,300 jobs in total with \$9.7 billion in gross _____ product and \$20.3 billion in economic _____.

Vancouver's central area has 60% of the region's office space and is home to headquarters of forest products and mining companies as well as branches of national and international banks, accounting and law firms. In recent years, Vancouver has _____ as a centre for software development, biotechnology and the film industry. Two of the Port of Vancouver's container docks are _____ in the city. The Fraser River has barge and log traffic serving forestry and other water related industries. Around 7.3 square kilometres of industrial land provide an important _____ of support services, manufacturing and wholesale premises for businesses throughout the city and region.