

3 Don't be frightened!

2 READING

Read the information about the Natural History Museum on pages 92–93 of the Student's Book and about the Science Museum below. Which museum would you rather visit, and why?

Astonishing science, spectacular museum

The Science Museum in London is one of the top ten tourist attractions in the UK, with 1.6 million visitors a year. It presents science, technology, medicine and industry in an exciting, informative and relaxed way. Here are some of its exhibitions, most of which, like the museum itself, are free.

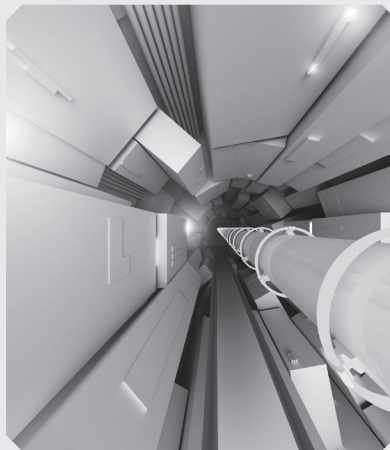
Who am I?

What makes you cleverer than a chimpanzee? What makes you smile? What makes you *you*? Find out in this fascinating exhibition. Discover what your voice sounds like as a member of the opposite sex, and watch your face change as you get older!

Collider

Come on a journey inside the world's greatest scientific experiment ever. Deep under the border between France and Switzerland lies CERN's Large Hadron Collider. Ten thousand men and women from around

the world have created the LHC, which is discovering the secrets of our universe. Be amazed by the science, see history being made! Adult tickets are £10 and teenagers under 16 pay £7.

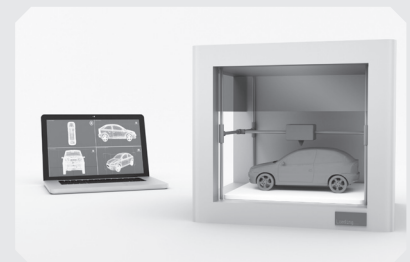


Launchpad

This gallery has over fifty interactive exhibits from the wonderful world of physics. At *Icy Bodies* you can watch carbon dioxide turn from a solid into a gas. On the *Light Table* you can bounce light rays about with mirrors, and break the rays into rainbows.

3D: printing the future

This surprising exhibition shows how 3D printers are turning computer data into physical objects. Explore the future of industry and medicine – and will 3D printing change your shopping experience?



Online science

This is a virtual part of the museum and it's free to everyone online. Go to <http://www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/onlinestuff/games.aspx> and play fascinating games like *Ouch* (fighting pain!), *Futurecade* (can science save humanity?) and *Launchball* (slide, bounce and jump your way through 30 obstacle-filled levels!).

3 AFTER READING

Answer the questions.

Which exhibition at the Natural History Museum is best for someone who wants to ...

1 visit the jungle?

2 understand how their brain works?

3 see an animated Tyrannosaurus Rex?

4 look at snakes?

5 find out about eruptions?

Which Science Museum exhibition or website is best for someone who ...

1 wants to do experiments?

2 would like to know how age will affect their appearance?

3 likes playing computer games?

4 would like to visit an underground laboratory?

5 wants to be a doctor?

Now look at *Your response* on page 92 of the Student's Book.