

Describe an unusual building you've visited

You should say

Where it is

What it is used for

What it looks like

And explain why you think it is unusual

Ok right then, well the building I've decided to talk about is The Oriental Pearl Tower, at least I think that's the name of it in English, cos um, I normally always call it by its Chinese name, which is 东方明珠.

Anyway, as for where it is, well it's basically right in the middle of Shanghai, on the Pudong side, but you can see it across from the river, and I think it's probably fair to say that it's the main focal point of the city. You know, you can't really miss it!

And um, regarding what it's actually used for, well I guess it was built primarily to act as a TV transmission tower, although it's more of a tourist attraction now. I mean, that's what people know it as really! And um, if you haven't seen it before, it's basically like, um, how can I put it? Um... it's kind of just like a tall pointed tower with a load of balls stacked on top of each other, some bigger than others. So it's actually pretty simple in design, but there's something about it that makes it look really cool and unique. Oh and I also shouldn't forget to mention that, at night, it's lit up really well, and I think most people would agree that it actually looks quite a lot better at night than it does during the day. But anyway, um... what else is there to say about it? Uh... I suppose it also looks kind of futuristic in a way, you know, like something out of a sci-fi film! So yeah, it's a really cool building.

And in terms of why I think it's unusual, well I guess there's not really any other building like it in the world, at least as far as I know! So it really kind of sticks in the memory once you've seen it. And as such, it's become, like, the main landmark of Shanghai. So um, yeah, that's pretty much all there is to say!

Notes:

right in the middle - 在正中 ( "right" emphasizes that it's in the very middle)

I think it's (probably) fair to say that - 我觉得可以说

the main focal point - 主要的焦点

it's lit up at night - 晚上亮起来

what else is there to say about it - 还有什么话可以说呢?

futuristic - 未来派的

at least as far as I know - 至少据我所知是这样的

sticks in the memory - 清楚地留在记忆里

that's pretty much all there is to say - 差不多没有别的话可说了!