Culture Corner

Listening

a) Look at the picture. Who are the people? Why are they famous?

b) Listen and label sentences 1-4 as T (true) or F (false).

- 1 Mount Rushmore is in South Dakota.
- **2** Each head is about 16 feet high.
- The Mount Rushmore National Memorial was completed in 1927.
- 4 About 2 thousand people visit Mount Rushmore every year.

Reading

- 2 Read the text and correct sentences 1-4. Then, explain the words in bold.
 - 1 Lake Rushmore is in South Dakota.
- 2 It was carved by Abraham Lincoln.
- **3** The memorial shows the faces of five American presidents.
- 4 George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Theodore Roosevelt, and Thomas Edison are the faces of Mount Rushmore.

Mount Rushmore National Memorial is in the Black Hills of South Dakota, in the US. It was carved by Gutzon Borglum, an American sculptor. Construction started in 1927 and was completed in 1941. The memorial is an enormous **sculpture carved** in **granite** on the side of Mount Rushmore. It shows the faces of four American presidents: George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt, and Abraham Lincoln. Each head is about 60 feet high. About 2,000,000 people visit this spectacular memorial every year.

Mount Rushmore

Speaking

- 3 Answer the following questions.
- 1 Are there any famous landmarks in your country? Which ones?
- 2 When were they built?
- **3** Do you like visiting historical places? Why or why not?

STUDY SKILLS

Groupwork

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When doing groupwork, make sure each group member has a clear understanding of what they have to do (e.g., research, write, proofread, etc.) and is held accountable for it. Remember: all members must play their part in order for groupwork to be successful.

Writing

4 ICT Get into groups of three, research a landmark in *your* country and write a short text about it. Include: • its name and when it was built • what it's made of • who built it • why it was built. Before you start, make sure all group members have been assigned a task and know exactly what they have to do. Who is going to do the research? the writing? the proofreading?