A Boat Tour through London

Script

You're doing a London river cruise. Before the tour starts, you listen to the tour guide via loudspeaker.
You can listen to the text two times, but please read the tasks first.

"Welcome here on our boat, "The Thames River White Lady". My name is Steve and in the next 40 minutes I will give you some interesting facts about the capital of the United Kingdom, London. This town, my hometown, with its population of nearly 9 million is one of the most exciting and multicultural cities in the world.
Our trip starts here at the 135 metres tall London Eye. As its other name "Millennium Wheel" suggests, it was originally intended to be part of the celebrations to welcome the year 2000. But due to technical problems it was only opened on March 9th, 2000. Yet, it has become a top tourist attraction in the United Kingdom with over three million visitors per year.
Right across the river you see the Houses of Parliament or also called the Palace of Westminster. This impressive building plays a very important role in our political system. It is home to our two chambers of Parliament, the House of Lords and The House of Commons. All important political decisions are made in this building. It was damaged twice. The first time was in 1834 when a fire broke out in the Palace and the second time it was hit by German bombs during the Second World War. But as you can see, the House was reconstructed. You think you can see Big Ben? I'm sorry, you can't, because Big Ben is a bell inside this beautiful tower. What people call Big Ben is actually Elizabeth Tower.
Here right next to us is the scariest sight in London, the London Dungeon. Real actors lead you through the horrible crimes of real people like Jack the Ripper or fictitious characters like Sweeney Todd.

So, let's get moving now.

Here at the end of our tour you can see the Tower of London and one of the most famous bridges in the world, Tower Bridge. This Victorian bridge was designed by Sir Horace Jones in the 19th century. When you get off the boat, you will probably book a tour of the Tower. But don't forget to do the same with Tower Bridge. You can explore its structure and get some spectacular views of London. You can even walk on a glass floor 42 metres above the River Thames and explore the overwhelming Victorian Engine Room.

Thank you for your attention and feel free to ask questions. Thank you and goodbye."

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