



Futuristic Theme Parks

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Vocabulary

Roller Coaster - a fairground attraction that consists of a light railway track which has many tight turns and steep slopes on which people ride in small, fast open carriages.



Run-of-the-mill - lacking unusual or special aspects; ordinary.

Neon - fluorescent lighting or signs using neon or another gas.



Aliens - (in this context) a hypothetical or fictional being from another world.

Belly dance - a dance originating in the Middle East, typically performed by a woman and involving movements of the belly and of the hips.

Mine - a hole or system of holes in the ground where substances such as coal, metal, and salt are removed.

What Is A Theme Park?

A theme park or an amusement park is a place with attractions made up of rides- roller coasters and water rides. They usually have a section of different rides, with shops, restaurants and other entertainment. Theme parks can be enjoyed by adults, teenagers and children.

Many are themed to a particular area; there are water parks, parks modeled after toys, parks modeled after movies and more.

Following are some examples of theme parks that are not exactly normal, run-of-the-mill parks. They have a little something extra in them that keeps visitors talking about the parks for a long time.



Examples Of Futuristic Theme Parks

Metal Palm Trees



The Space Mountain Ride



Lots of neon, glass and metal was used to create ***Tomorrowland*** which is situated in ***U.S.A.***

This park has rides that allow visitors the illusion of travelling through space. (They are actually in an indoor roller coaster with neon planets painted on the ceiling.) The metal palm trees in this park react to light! Yet another game puts visitors in the middle of a space battle where they pretend to fight aliens.

Tokyo DisneySea, also called TDS by the Japanese, has a volcano called the Mount Prometheus, that actually erupts every hour and shoots huge balls of flame into the sky. This park also boasts of robots that belly dance, a “Mermaid Lagoon” that recreates the feeling of being underwater and another area that shows visitors recreations of many famous scientific experiments.

These futuristic boats were designed and built from scratch just to provide decoration and atmosphere—that’s all.

Interior and Exterior of the Mermaid Lagoon.



An image of Futuroscope from the outside.



Dancing with robots.



Futuroscope, or ***Parc du Futuroscope in France***, is primarily a park with multimedia attractions that use 3-D technology to transport visitors into another place. The most striking element of the park is its architecture – it doesn't even look like a theme park..

A new ride, launched in 2017, allows the people on the ride to be transported from continent to continent, all the while feeling like they are flying. Another futuristic ride allows people to "dance" with a robotic arm (you sit in the arm and it moves you around the massive dance floor, all while the latest songs by the coolest DJ's are playing.)

The Salina Turda in Romania is considered unique because it is located at the bottom of a 2,000 year old salt mine.

Visitors to this underground theme park have to go down 400 feet before reaching the theme park. The park consists of an underground lake, a golf court, a Ferris Wheel and many more amusements.

It manages to portray a futuristic feel while also highlighting the long history of the mine.



An image of the park from above.



The underground lake.

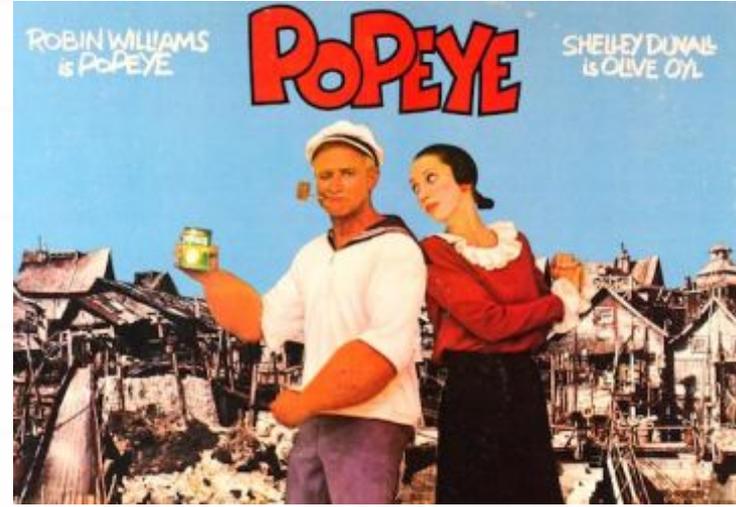


The Ferris Wheel.

Image of Popeye's Village in Malta.



A poster of the movie.



Malta's Popeye Village was originally built as a film set for the 1980 Popeye movie, starring Robin Williams. These days, the cartoon town of Sweethaven is an open-air museum and family entertainment complex. Visitors can check out sets and props from the film and take a 15-minute boat trip. As far as amusements go, there are audio visual shows (including clips from the actual film), as well as water trampolines and numerous Popeye-based games.

Exercise 1:

- 1) Have you ever been to a theme park? Describe your experience in five lines.
- 2) Out of the theme parks mentioned in the passage, which would you like to visit and why?
- 3) Explain the “Futuroscope” theme park in your own words.
- 4) Why do you think people like to visit theme parks? Explain your opinion in five lines.

Exercise 2:

Make sentences using the following:

- 1) Run-of-the-mill
- 2) Recreates
- 3) Renowned
- 4) Cartoon
- 5) Futuristic
- 6) Ferris Wheel

