

# Where in the World Is Mrs. Waffenschmidt? #10



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Can you name the city and country I am visiting today? And can you name the famous volcano? Have you any idea why people would want to build a city near a volcano?

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