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# 7 READING

Watch the video. Make a note of all the different travel tips the video shows.

Watch the video. In your opinion, what were the best tips? Note them down and then talk with your partner to see if you agree.

 $\checkmark$  Work with your partner. Look at the subheadings in the text. Without reading the rest of the text, can you work out what each tip could be about? Read through quickly to see if you are right.

# EASY ways to have a CHEAPER holiday

#### Book your holiday backwards

Forget the destination and start with the accommodation. Simple, but very effective. There are many accommodation websites that allow you to type in entire countries, even continents. (1)



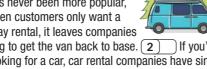
#### Pay nothing for your accommodation

No, it isn't too good to be true - it is possible to stay for free in houses all over the world thanks to home-swap holidays. Whether you're looking after a pet or simply

keeping someone's plants watered, there are numerous websites that help match you up with owners who need someone to look after their home while they're out of town. As a rule, such sites charge a small annual joining fee. Once you've signed up though, you can go on as many trips as you like. Obviously, some destinations are much in demand, so be quick when an opportunity arises.

#### Experience 'van life' at almost no cost

Thanks to the growing trend of #vanlife, getting away in a camper van has never been more popular, but when customers only want a one-way rental, it leaves companies needing to get the van back to base. 2 If you're just looking for a car, car rental companies have similar



#### **Explore Europe using** the overnight train network

offers.

Want to holiday in Europe cheaply and don't fancy flying? Overnight trains are the answer. The most important thing is to get yourself to a



#### **CHECK THESE WORDS**

arise, growing, base, brand new, currency, streamline, upgrade, milestone, complimentary, access, fare

#### Work for your stay

Working a few hours a day in exchange for accommodation isn't just for gap year students, and it can offer an incredible learning experience for those travelling with children. 4 There are all sorts of opportunities out there including farm work, decorating, volunteering camps and even web development.

#### 'Use data' to 'Do research' to find the best value destinations

There are two things to bear in mind if you're trying to get the best value for money on holiday: how strong your currency is compared to the local currency, and how much things cost when you get there. Before you fix

on a destination, it can be worth checking the direction in which exchange rates are moving. As for day-to-day costs, there are websites that compare prices of everything from milk to fast food in over 11,000 cities worldwide. Doing your research before you go - especially for self-catering - can help you avoid nasty surprises when you get there.

#### Pack smart

With low-cost airlines charging up to €40 each way to take a large cabin bag on board, now is the time to streamline your packing. (5) Finally, pack your things into a backpack, rather than a

suitcase – even if you do find one small enough for your airline's dimensions, you're giving away much needed inside space to wheels, the handle and even the case itself!

#### Get a free room upgrade

Free room upgrades are not just reserved for those celebrating birthdays and milestone anniversaries. It's worth simply expressing how excited you are to stay at the



hotel and asking if you could be considered for an upgrade if they have the availability. **6** The key is to be kind, complimentary and to never expect anything for free. If you're in luck and the hotel can do something for you, it's the best feeling ever.





#### Gapped text

Quickly read through the text to get a sense of what it is about. Look at the missing sentences and underline words which refer to something in another part of the text e.g. words such as pronouns: it, you, our, etc, noun phrases such as: such people, these problems or sequencing words such as: first, then, a little later.

Choose a sentence for a gap that seems to match in this way and then confirm that it fits in by reading the sentence before and after to see that the completed text makes sense.

- a) Read through the text in Ex. 2 again. Six sentences are missing. Choose the sentence (A-G) which best fits each gap (1-6). There is one sentence you do not need to use.
  - A From gaining new skills to learning about teamwork, this type of trip can be good for everyone.
  - **B** Start by listing all the outfits you intend to wear with one or two pieces that can be worn several times.
  - **C** You are then free to use the filters to find a dream place for the right price.
  - **D** This opens up great deals for bargain hunters, as you can take one on a return journey for as little as €5.
  - **E** Of course, if it is a special occasion, you should definitely throw that in there too.
  - F Airlines are usually happy to help in such cases.
  - **G** You just need to book months in advance to access these fares.

Listen and check. Then explain the highlighted words.

Which two tips in the text do you find the most useful? Why? Compare with your partner.

### **VOCABULARY**

5	Complete each sentence with one of the
	prepositional phrases in the list.

- in advance for free out of town on holiday
- in luck as a rule for a change in demand

1	, the hotel isn't open in winter
2	We like to make bookings well
3	We've just had a cancellation, so you're

4 I'd like a more relaxing vacation

5 We'll upgrade you to a bigger car \_

**6** The hotel is situated just \_\_\_

**7** Holiday rental homes here are much

8 Half of our group fell ill \_

Ask your partner four questions about his/ her holiday habits/plans, using phrases from Ex. 5.

A: How early do you book your accommodation?

B: I usually make bookings well in advance.

Read the advert and fill in: trend, rates, rentals, hunter, option, routes, experiences, mind, value.

One-way 1) are	
a growing <b>2)</b> in	1
modern travel, so why not take	
one of our vehicles on a journey	
across Asia? You can have	
incredible 3)	1 to 1 to 1
and explore 4)	
that allow you to go off the beaten	
track! Benefit from the best exchange	
5) as you travel from co	untry to country.
And the best part? Return journeys can cost	very little, so
they're great 6) for mone	ey! If you're a
bargain 7) with a sense	of adventure,
this is definitely one travel 8)	to bear in
9)for your next trip!	

#### Choose the correct option.

- We want to go abroad on holiday this year, but we haven't fixed on/up a country to visit yet.
- 2 Mike didn't need his map when he got a GPS app, so he decided to give it off/away.
- 3 Your bag looks so heavy! How many items of clothing did you pack **through/into** it?
- 4 How long did it take you to get off/back to your hotel after you visited the art museum?
- 5 After working hard all year, Mia needed to get **out/away** for a couple of weeks to relax.
- 6 Tom and Amanda signed **in/up** for a guided tour when they were in Rome.
- 7 Who's looking **over/after** your pets while you're away on holiday next week?
- Travelling is great because it opens **out/up** opportunities for new cultural experiences.

#### **SPEAKING**

Choose a city in another country on your continent. Research information to find a way to get two people there (and return home) with accommodation for two nights for under €500. Present it to the rest of the class.



#### **VALUES**

'Wherever you go, go with all your heart.' Confucius

How is this relevant to modern travel and tourism? Discuss.

# 7 VOCABULARY

#### TYPES OF HOLIDAYS

Complete the advert. Use: cruise, skiing, wellness, road, backpacking, sightseeing, safari, package.



If you're looking for the holiday of a lifetime, then why not visit Globe Travel? We've got something for everyone!

Fancy some well-deserved rest and relaxation? Then consider one of our all-inclusive 1) holidays. You can unwind with a healthy 2) \_ spa holiday, or spend a week on the water with a luxury Are activities more your thing? We have lots of winter \_ options, or you can book a \_ and explore the wild in search of exotic animals! If you love culture, we can plan a 6) trip for you in one of the world's most fascinating cities, complete with a guided tour of historic landmarks. Perhaps you're the independent type? No problem! We can also help you find self-catering accommodation and plan walking routes for a 7) \_\_\_\_\_ holiday, or help you hire a car for your next big 8) \_

Whatever your preferences, Globe Travel can help you arrange your ideal experience. Visit our website to find out more!

Fill in: suffer, go, take, visit, travel, soak, explore, book, get, see. Check in your dictionary.

1	trekking, on an expedition/on a trip, off the
	beaten track, by air
2	a temple, historic monuments, unusual
	destinations
3	a guided tour, a coach trip, a stroll, a brea
4	up the sun
5	wildlife, breathtaking views
6	far and wide, light
7	a hotel room, a ticket, a flight
8	another country, another culture
9	from jet lag, travel sickness
10	away from it all, pampered, a massage

Tell your partner about two different holiday/trip experiences you have had. Use words/ phrases from Exs 1 and 2.

I went on a sightseeing trip to Athens. I took a guided tour of the city and visited some historic monuments, like the Parthenon. I booked a wonderful hotel just under the Acropolis.

#### AIRPORT SECURITY

Fill in with: proof, devices, boot, screened, ensure, abroad, on board, hold, apply, permitted, warnings, restrictions, hand, confiscated, snatched. Four words are extra.

All baggage items, including hand luggage and  1) luggage, must be 2) by airport security. Airport security staff won't let anything through if they consider it dangerous – even if it's normally  3) Depending on the airport you're travelling to or from, different rules 4) to electronic  5) and electrical items you're allowed to take on a flight.
Some airlines also have different 6) so check before you travel. Also 7) your electronic devices are charged before you travel. If you cannot switch one on when requested to do so, you will not be allowed to take it 8) the aircraft. If you need to carry essential medicine of more than 100 ml in your 9) luggage, including liquid dietary foodstuffs and inhalers, you'll need to have 10) that the medicine is prescribed to you, otherwise they could be 11)
Decide which items are permitted in hand luggage (HA) or hold luggage (HO) or neither (NE). Check your answers online.

1	scissors	6	nail file
2	baby milk	7	safety matches
3	150 ml perfume	8	musical instruments
4	tablet devices	9	fireworks

10 powerbank \_\_

Choose the correct option.

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#### Be prepared for A

Passengers should check the 1) data/guidance/statistics on hand luggage before they set off for the airport to help keep security 2) viewing/screening/searching queues to a minimum. Passengers should only carry essential 3) items/pieces/units in hand luggage to help reduce the need for lengthy 4) handy/ manual/fingertip checks at security.

As you enter the airport security-check area, you will usually be asked to scan your boarding 5) ticket/receipt/pass. Take off your shoes and belts while waiting in 6) line/file/row. If you have any large electrical items in 7) take-out/carry-on/fold-away luggage, you may be asked to remove them and place them in a separate plastic 8) bucket/holder/tray.

Once you have passed all security checks, remember to check that you have all your 9) belongings/essentials/goods. If you do 10) notice/stare/examine afterwards that you have left something 11) out/behind/off, you can usually return and ask staff to help you 12) search/locate/track it.



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COUNTABLE/UNCOUNTABLE/PLURAL NOUNS (pp. GR2-GR3)





#### Reduce by 33%

We've all done it - packed three pairs of 1) shorts, then only worn one pair all holiday. To avoid overpacking, lay all your clothes on the bed and be ruthless - get rid of a 2) third.

#### Towel on top

Here's some good 3) advice: pack your towel last. It will cover any loose 4) stuff in your case, and once you arrive, you can grab it and head straight for a sunbed without needing to unpack everything. Win-win!

#### Breathing room

This isn't a pre-flight exercise technique - we're talking about 5) luggage. When you return, you'll probably have souvenirs for your friends and family, so leave some 6) room!

#### Use vacuum packs

They're cheap and will protect your clothes from **7) damage** if perfumes or sun creams leak. Beware, though, clothes appearing to shrink is not 8) evidence of a change in weight.

#### Clever accessorisina

Well-chosen 9) accessories, rather than extra outfits, will go a long way on holiday. 10) Sunglasses are a perfect example, but you could also take a beautiful scarf or tie, or a smart belt.

#### Wear your heavy items

If certain 11) clothes are making your case too heavy, wear them! Travel in your heaviest pair of boots to fly and pack your lightest flip-flops. You'll use less 12) space and save on your baggage allowance.

- Read the text. Tell your partner if you have used any of these techniques when packing before. Which one do you think is most useful for you?
- Read the text again. Decide if each noun (1-12) in bold is:
  - a countable noun.
  - an uncountable noun.
  - a special plural noun like trousers, jeans for which there is no singular form.

Some words like *space*, *room* are **countable with one** meaning and uncountable with another.

There's not **much room** in the car – certainly not enough for all your luggage. (U) How many rooms have you booked? (C)

#### Special plural nouns

Some nouns in English describing certain types of clothing: trousers, shorts, jeans, pyjamas and certain pieces of equipment: headphones, scissors, glasses, binoculars, scales are always plural. My new glasses have orange frames.

To talk about an individual item, we use the phrase **a pair of**. I think I've left a pair of pyjamas and a pair of red shorts in the hotel.

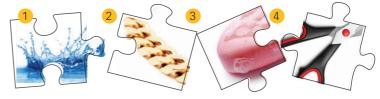
- a a piece of **b** a pair of c a bar of d a drop of
- scissors 2 water
- 3 jewellery vinegar
- 5 advice 6 jeans
- 7 chocolate 8 blood
- 9 information 10 equipment
- [11] trunks 12 soap

Decide if you need an uncountable form or a plural form in each gap. Use just one word.

Vou have the legal right to elaim some 1)

ked-in
r damaged.
gage) if it's
y have to
im from
u need
your lost
ery).
• •

- Choose the correct option.
  - 1 **Is/Are** travel experiences important to you?
  - Scissors isn't/aren't allowed in the cabin of a plane.
  - 3 Time **is/are** a major concern for our connecting flight.
  - The trousers from the local market **was/were** just €10!
  - Ben doesn't know where his headphones is/are.
- Which of the items in Ex. 3 is shown in which picture? Convince your partner.



## d 97 GRAMMAR IN USE 🕸

DEFINITE/INDEFINITE ARTICLES (pp. GR4-GR5)

The responsibility of **1) a** holiday rep is to be a point of contact between **2)** – travel agents and **3) the** customers who book package holidays with them. They help those holidaymakers to enjoy a stress-free holiday. That means that if **4) an** individual in their group is having a problem with their room, a flight, or the staff at their hotel, **5) the** holiday rep is usually the one who deals with the problem.

Fill in a, an, the or -.

1	Read the text. What do holiday reps do?		
2	Read the text again and look at the rules (a-e) below. Which words in bold (1-5) in the text are examples of:		
а	<b>the</b> when it is clear exactly which thing or person we mean?		
b	the when the noun is mentioned for a second time or is already known?		
С	<b>a/an</b> with singular countable nouns mentioned for the first time?		
d	a/an when we mention what kind of thing something is or what someone's job is?		
е	no article (–) with plural or uncountable nouns when we talk about them in general?		
3	Complete the gaps with a/an or the where necessary.		
1	A: Should I pack hairdryer for our trip?		
	<b>B:</b> There's no need. Our hotel room will have one.		
2	<b>A:</b> I've cut my foot on something in the sea.		
	B: Don't worry, I've got plaster.		
3	<b>A:</b> Where shall we go to eat?		
	<b>B:</b> How about place we went to last night?		
4	<b>A:</b> I prefer to travel light, so I usually just take my backpack on holiday.		
	<b>B:</b> Me too. I never take luggage with me.		
5	A: How shall we get to the beach?		
	<b>B:</b> Well, there are different ways we can go.		
6	A: I've been to lots of strange places.		
	<b>B:</b> Really? What was strangest one of all?		
4	Discuss these holiday alternatives.		
1	bus / train		
	A: If you had to travel a long way, would you get a bus or a train?		
	B: It would depend on the price. The bus is usually		

I am 1) \_\_\_\_\_ independent traveller and love exploring
2) \_\_\_\_ new places and finding 3) \_\_\_\_ hidden gems as
I stroll around 4) \_\_\_\_ city for the first time. Of course, no
one wants to be somewhere and miss out on any 5) \_\_\_\_
unmissable sights and that's why 6) \_\_\_\_ people often
opt for 7) \_\_\_\_ guided tour. But I much prefer 8) \_\_\_\_
thrill and flexibility of exploring alone.
Recently, however, I discovered 9) \_\_\_\_ app that gives

me 10) \_\_\_\_\_ best of both worlds. It's 11) \_\_\_\_\_ tool that suggests 12) \_\_\_\_ fastest routes between 13) \_\_\_\_ must-see places and provides 14) \_\_\_\_ background information on each one. It gives me 15) \_\_\_\_ independence without having to worry about getting lost!

,	TRANSFORMATIONS (Review)  Complete the second sentence using the word in bold. Use between two and five words.
1	Where did you buy those shorts you're wearing? <b>OF</b> Where did you buy that you're wearing?
2	Is this your first time visiting this city? <b>MANY</b> How have you visited this city?
3	
4	The waiter recommended a dish, so we ordered it. <b>DISH</b> We ordered that the waiter recommended.
5	You are allowed two small bags on the plane. <b>LUGGAGE</b> You can take two small on the plane.
6	It's a resort with some great beaches that you'll love. <b>THE</b> You'll love at this resort.

much cheaper.

package deal / book separately
direct flights / connecting flights
local cuisine / international food

the train.

A: I know, but I like that you can move around more on

# VOCABULARY 97 Pe

#### PHRASAL VERBS (related to travel)

see off: to go to the airport/station to say goodbye to someone

head off: to leave (in a certain direction)

pass through: to cross an area on the way somewhere

settle in: to become familiar with a new place

**set out:** to begin a journey

**stop off:** to visit a place for a short time on your way

somewhere

The coach party

turn back: to go back the way you came

#### Complete the gaps with a phrasal verb from the box in the correct form.

1	The coach party	at several service
	stations on the way.	
2	Let's relax and want to rush out this eve	to our hotel. I don't ning.
3	Amy went to the airpo brother, who was flying to	
4	The weather was getting and decided to go another	
5	We	on our hiking trip at 6 am, just
	as the sun was rising.	
6	I saw himbut couldn't stop him.	in the wrong direction

some lovely farming areas on

arriving

Which stage of a journey would you use the phrasal verbs in the box to describe? Discuss with your partner.

> starting on the way

our road trip.

## **PREPOSITIONS**

Complete the text with in, through, for, at, around, out of, on.

It was early in the morning when our
coach stopped 1) a service
station near Paris. We had travelled
2) the night to watch our
team in the European Cup final and we
were finally almost at our destination.
Rather than staying 3) the
coach, I got 4) my seat and $\cap$
walked 5) the car park a $\downarrow$
little to stretch my legs. After
coach, I got 4) my seat and walked 5) the car park a little to stretch my legs. After travelling 6) over 12
hours, my friends were
7) a deep sleep, but I
couldn't relax. All I could think
about was the incredible match
we were about to watch!

#### PHRASES WITH WAY

4	Complete the second sentence using the word
_	way. Check in the Word List.

1	Can you give us directions to	Hyde Park, please?
	Could	to Hyde Park, please
2	There isn't a shuttle bus. You h	nave to get there on your ow
	You have to	there, as there
	no shuttle bus.	
3	I lost my way when I left the	motorway.
	I went	after leaving the motorway
4	It's a pretty little town but it's	not really near anything.
	The town is quite pretty but	t's a bit
5	It's still quite a journey from	here.
	There's still	go

#### **WORD FORMATION (person nouns)**

Complete the gaps with words derived from the words in brackets. Check in your dictionary.

Jobs in tourism 1 ski (instruct) 2 flight (attend) 3 holiday (represent) \_\_\_\_\_ aircraft (technical) hotel (reception) 6 hotel (inspect) spa (therapy) \_\_\_

Which job in Ex. 5 would vou most like to do and which one least? Explain why.

#### SUMMING UP

Choose the correct option.

#### **Planning the Perfect Trip**

Thinking about going on holiday and want to have 1) a/the/best trip possible? It's all about planning!

Firstly, think about what kind of trip you'd like. Interested in skiing? Then you should find mountain accommodation with a ski 2) technician/instructor/inspector. If you'd rather go 3) cruise/ sight/road seeing, then 4) room/a room/the rooms at a city hotel may be a better option. 5) A/The/- travel agent can help you find exactly what you need.

Secondly, packing properly is very important, too. Check the 6) data/guidance/statistics online before flying to know which essential 7) items/units/pieces you are allowed to put 8) in/on/ at your 9) take-out/carry-on/fold away luggage. This way, you can get past 10) searching/viewing/screening queues more quickly and get your holiday off to a smooth start.

Once you've passed security and are on the way to your ideal holiday destination, all that's left to do is enjoy yourself. So, remember, if you want to 11) get/take/visit away and have amazing 12) experiences/an experience/experience you'll never forget, planning is the key!

# f gruistening skills

#### **SENTENCE COMPLETION**

#### Preparing for the task

 Read the sentence and predict the type of word that is missing.

Barcelona is a popular destination with tourists who are interested in learning about the \_\_\_\_\_ of the city's buildings.

- b) Read the sentence again. What word(s) could complete the gap?
- c) Read the extract taken from an audioscript. Which words in the script are possible answers? Which is the correct answer?



People from all over the world visit this city, and it's easy to understand why. The place has a rich history and lots of incredible cultural sites to visit. Many of the structures there are famous for their appearance, so there is plenty of unique and interesting architecture to discover. Visitors can also explore the stunning landscape by taking a short bus journey out of the city.



#### **Expanding vocabulary**

As you listen, make vocabulary notes and pay attention to the relationships between English words you come across.

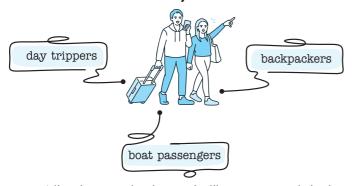
**Synonyms:** reach = get to

It's hard to get to / It's not easy to reach

Hyponyms: (different types of things, people, etc, belonging

to a more general category)

#### Tourists/Visitors



A listening comprehension exercise like sentence completion is largely based on your understanding of such relationships.

## Read the words below. Think of a synonym or a hyponym.

1	travellers	5	unspoilt
2	seaside	6	venue
3	dock (v)	7	producers
4	ship	8	earnings

You will hear an interview with a tour operator in Thailand. Listen to the recording and add synonyms or hyponyms for the words in Ex. 2. Were your guesses correct?

4	Look at the sentences (1-10) below. What type of					
_	word is missing from each gap: a noun? a verb?					
	an adjective?					

1	Tom says that Leonardo Di Caprio plays one of the beach-loving in the film <i>The Beach</i> .
2	Tom explains that Phuket can attract millions of tourists a year because it is a large island with a(n)
3	Tom says that while tourists visit Maya Beach, the boats that bring them in the bay.
4	According to Tom, tourists to the island often leave theirwaste behind.
5	Tom says the coral in the bay suffer due to the large number of visiting boats.
6	Tom explains that beach closures mean major efforts can take place.
7	According to Tom, the pandemic greatly reduced the number of taking tourists to the island.
8	Tom says people visit film locations so they can parts of their favourite movies.
9	According to Tom, seeing the film locations from <i>The Lord of the Rings</i> is the main for 6 percent of New Zealand's tourists to go there.

Listen to the interview again and complete the gaps in Ex. 4. Compare with your partner.

being used to help the place it is made in.

**10** Tom is in favour of some of the \_\_\_\_\_

Your e-friend is planning to visit
Thailand. Use the information in the recording to
tell him/her about the impact of tourism on Maya
Beach.





The five most popular destinations abroad for UK tourists are: Spain, the USA, France, Italy and Greece. What are the most popular destinations abroad in your country?

# SPOKEN ENGLISH 97

#### Talking about preferences



Ann:	So, which do you prefer: active holidays or holidays where you go
	somewhere just to relax?

Burt: I'd much rather go somewhere and do stuff than just sit around. I love

exploring on holiday.

Ann: What, like 1) \_\_\_ \_\_\_ a guided tour?

\_\_ an organised group. I prefer Burt: No. I can't stand being part 2) having my own itinerary to following somebody else's. Nothing beats heading

off to a new place each day on a bike or 3) \_\_\_\_\_ a rented car.

Ann: I'm the opposite. I'd always prefer to go somewhere 4) \_\_\_\_\_ a nice pool or somewhere you just stroll 5) \_\_\_\_\_ the beach. Tours and

driving around <u>are not</u> **6)** \_\_\_\_\_ me .

Burt: And what about 7) \_\_\_\_\_ winter? You can't sit around a pool then.

Ann: No, but I'd still rather go somewhere and chill than do winter sports.

Burt: Not me, I always go for somewhere 8) \_\_\_\_\_\_ a bit more adventure.

Read the dialogue and complete the gaps (1-8) with the missing prepositions. Listen and check.

Look at the language box and the dialogue. Complete each structure with the verb from the dialogue that follows it using (to-) infinitive or -ing form.

Preferences

• I'd (much/still) rather go ... than 1) \_\_\_\_ • I prefer having ... to 2) \_\_\_\_\_ ...

• I'd prefer 3) \_\_\_\_\_\_ somewhere else.

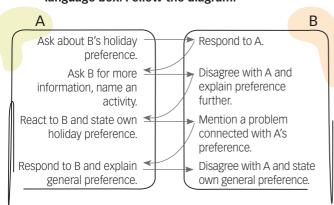
#### Likes

- \_\_\_\_ old cities. I love/adore 4) \_\_\_\_
- I always go for more adventurous things.
- Nothing beats 5) \_\_\_\_\_\_ for long walks.

#### Dislikes

- Things like that are not for me.
- I can't stand 6) \_\_\_\_\_\_ in a group.

Act out a similar dialogue about what type of holidays you prefer. Use expressions from the language box. Follow the diagram.



Take turns to compare two pictures which show people on holiday. Student A: say why you think they have chosen these places and which one you would prefer. Student B: when your partner finishes, say which of the two holiday situations you would prefer and why.









- Discuss which you would prefer and why.
  - city break or weekend camping
  - free trip to Sweden or free trip to Thailand
  - self-catering or all-inclusive
  - sea view or mountain view
  - road trip or cruise
  - own country or abroad

# ↑ 92 WRITING SKILLS 🔊

AN INFORMAL EMAIL MAKING SUGGESTIONS

WRITING TIP

#### **Opening remarks**

In an email to a friend, you often begin by referring to your friend's email or your last contact with your friend.

#### **RUBRIC ANALYSIS**

Read the rubric and answer the questions (1-5).

You have received an email from an English-speaking friend asking for some suggestions about visiting your country. Read your friend's email and write a reply.

From: Lucy
Subject: Family friends' visit

Hi,
Some friends of my family (parents and 15-year-old twins) are planning to visit your country in spring. They are coming for about two weeks and want to be based in two different places during their stay.

Any useful tips on where they should stay, what they should see and things to avoid? Thanks,
Lucy

Your should write 140-190 words.

- 1 Who is your email to?
- 2 What is your email for?
- 3 What information in Lucy's email will help you write your email?
- 4 What details do you know about the holiday the family would like?
- **5** What could Lucy mean by 'things to avoid'?

#### **MODEL ANALYSIS**

2 Read the model. Replace the phrases in bold with similar ones from the Useful Language.



## (just) the right time ...So nice to get your

USEFUL LANGUAGE

Opening remarks

I'd be delighted ...

Your email came at

- Speculating
- I imagine ... I suppose ...

email ...

Probably ...

#### Suggestions/Advice

- I wouldn't bother (+ -ing) ...
- My top tip is that they ...
- They really ought to ...
- They'd be best to ...

#### Closing remarks

- I wouldn't mind (+ -ing) ...
- I'd love/be happy to ...
- It would be nice to ...
- Just get in touch ...



- 1) Lovely to hear from you and 2) I'm more than happy to give your friends a few tips about where to go. 3) It's good that you got in touch because I've been travelling quite a bit myself lately.
- **B** 4) I'm guessing your friends have chosen to visit Japan to experience the amazing culture and 5) presumably want to see different aspects of Japanese life in the two places they stay. Well, 6) I'd suggest they stay in Tokyo for a week and then go to the Kyoto region for their second week. Tokyo has all the thrills of a big city: fashion, museums, markets and nightlife whereas Kyoto is the centre of traditional Japanese culture (geisha and samurai) and has beautiful rural villages.
- **c** 7) If I were them, I'd use the highspeed trains (Shinkansen) to get around. 8) Encourage them to research the Japan Rail Pass. It's a ticket that takes you all over the country Oh, and 9) they should definitely avoid renting a car everyone uses public transport here.
- **D** 10) Let me know if they need any more information and 11) I could always show them a bit of Tokyo myself.

4

Love,

Akari

- 3 Match the paragraphs (A-D) to their descriptions (1-4).
  - **1**) offer of further help

**3** general reaction to Lucy's news

tips about what to do/not to do

speculating about friends' thinking and proposing a plan





WRITING TIP

In informal emails, writers often use special punctuation to give explanations of their points.

#### We use:

- a colon: to give emphasis, introduce lists or titles
- a dash to give extra information

It helps give the writing a more informal tone than using discursive phrases like: as a result, because of, this, for this reason, consequently.

- Read Lucy's email in Ex. 1 again. Which specific things does Akari pick up on in her reply?
- a) Match the points (1-8) to their explanations (a-h).
- 1) I'll ask friends from Kyoto about restaurants –
- **2** Trains are definitely the best alternative:
- They ought to arrive by mid-April:
- 4 They could try renting out a flat online –
- Japanese food is different to other cuisines:
- 6 There are many beautiful natural features around Kyoto:
- **7** Tokyo has everything:
- (8) ) I'd be glad to show them my bit of Tokyo –

- **a** they won't want to miss the cherry blossoms.
- **b** lots of fish and often served raw.
- **c** stunning mountains, rivers, bamboo forests and more.
- **d** local knowledge is always good.
- **e** great shopping, weird cafés and so much culture.
- **f** one of the trendiest and liveliest areas.
- **g** probably better and cheaper for family stays.
- **h** regular and always punctual here.
- b) Look at the email in Ex. 2 again. Find similar examples of informal tone.

#### **YOUR TURN**

Brainstorming: You have received this email from an English-speaking friend asking for some information about a place you visited last year. Read your friend's email. What four things do you need to answer? Make notes.

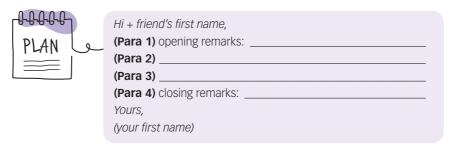
From: George	
Subject: Pote	ntial Holiday
We're looki	s and I are just considering a few potential places for a holiday.  In any for somewhere to relax for the week – no trips or outings – just to chill and enjoy the beaches. A few things to do in the evenings and a short transfer from the airport would be nice too.
I know you	ad a great time at the resort (remind me of the name) you went to last yea nink it would suit us?
George	

#### CHECKLIST

When you have finished your email, check that you have:

- written it in a friendly, informal style
- picked up on all the prompts in your friend's email
- not repeated ideas and overused the same phrases
- structured paragraphs well
- used spelling, grammar and punctuation correctly
- written the correct number of words

Organise your notes from Ex. 6 into this plan.



Use your answers in Exs 6 and 7 and the phrases from the Useful Language to write your email to George. Follow the plan.

## i 97 LIFE SKILLS

HOW CAN WE BE RESPONSIBLE TRAVELLERS?

Watch the video. Which description of responsible travel (A-C) is closest to that presented in the video?

Watch the video and take notes. Tell your classmates two things

they can do to be

responsible travellers.

Responsible travel is about people being culturally, economically and environmentally aware when they travel. People should think about how their actions can impact a destination and try to ensure their visit has a positive impact.

Responsible travel is all about the environment, making green choices about the way you travel, where you stay and the activities you choose to do.



Being a responsible traveller is about respecting other travellers. You should not hold up queues or cause delays and respect the space and comfort of others.



impact, queue, delay

Read this survey of things the Japanese find most annoying when on trains with other passengers. Look at the sketches below and answer the questions (a and b).

1	Ways of sitting (not making space for others to sit, stretching legs, etc.)	34.3%
2	Loud conversation/nuisance behaviour	33.9%
3	Bad manners getting on and off (blocking the door, etc.)	27.0%
4		24.0%
5	Coughing/sneezing without considering nearby passengers	22.3%
6	Smartphone/device usage (walking while looking at phone, using while crowded, etc.)	18.7%
7	Leaving behind plastic bottles/other rubbish	18.7%
8	14.4%	

- **a** What could missing items 4 and 8 be?
- **b** What would you put in first and second place?





Can you describe an incident that has annoyed you on a plane, train or bus? Tell your partner.

Interview your classmates and/or people that use public transport about ways that you could be more 'responsible' when using public transport. Choose the five most popular ideas and prepare a podcast about how to be responsible travellers on public transport.

Travelling is a waste of time. Discuss.





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