

CouchSurfing around the world

1. Read the dictionary definition for *couch*, and look at the CouchSurfing website. What do you think CouchSurfing is?

couch /kaʊtʃ/ *noun* **1** a long comfortable seat for two or more people to sit on (= a sofa) **2** the bed in a doctor's room for a patient to lie on

- b **58**))) Listen to part of a radio travel programme. Were you right? How does CouchSurfing work?
- c **59**))) Now listen to the speaker give more details about CouchSurfing. Mark the sentences **T** (true) or **F** (false).
- 1 ☐ CouchSurfers usually pay their host a little money.
 - 2 ☐ You need to create a profile on the website.
 - 3 ☐ When you find a person with a bed, you call them to agree the days you want to stay.
 - 4 ☐ You have to offer other people a bed in your house or flat.
 - 5 ☐ CouchSurfing is safe because you can read what other travellers say about the host.
 - 6 ☐ The host always shows their guests their city.
 - 7 ☐ You can CouchSurf all over the world.
- d Would you like to go CouchSurfing? Why (not)? Would you like to have a stranger to stay in *your* house? Why (not)?