Hello!

Welcome to Opportunities for Serendipity English Course!



What are you doing on Friday night?

.....

Let's meet again

1 Reading and listening;

a How do you say these dates?

3rd May
12th August 2012
31st December
22/6
5/2
20th July 1998

b Listen and check. 1.61

c Ben and Lily are old friends from university. Read their facebook messages and number them in order; **Let's meet again**

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Lily Varnell

Great. I'm going to book my tickets tomorrow, and then I can let you know my flight times.

Hi Ben! No news from you for ages. How are things? Are you still working at Budapest University? I have a conference there next month and I thought perhaps we could meet. I'd love to see you again! Lily.

It's from 3rd to 7th May, but I don't know my travel arrangements yet. What are you doing that week? Are you free any time?

Fantastic. I can't wait!

OK. Why don't you phone me nearer the time, at the end of April? Then we can fix a day and a time to meet. I know a great restaurant …

It depends on the day. I'm going to Vienna one day that week, but it's not very far - I'm coming back the same day. I'm sure we can find a time that's good for both of us.

Lily! Great to hear from you. Yes, I'm still at the university here and it's going very well - Budapest is a wonderful city to live in. When exactly is the conference?



Ben West

d Why does Lily get in touch with Ben? What are they planning?

e Look for the phrases or words in the text that mean the same:

……..: for a long time

……..: definite plans for the future

……..: I continue to be

……..: maybe

……..: the two

……..: to decide something (e.g. a day/date)

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f Lily phones Ben and leaves him a message. Listen and complete her flight details;
1.62



Thank you for booking with EasyJet
YOUR RESERVATION NUMBER IS: I5CS2L
Going out: Flight EZY4587 Date: ..... Depart: London Gatwick at 11.10 Arrive: Budapest at .....
Going back: Flight EZY4588 Date: ..... Depart: Budapest at ..... Arrive: London Gatwick at 18.10
Hotel reservations: Six nights at Hotel .....

2 Grammar; Present Continuous (for future arrangements)

a Read the highlighted sentences in the text, they are in present continuous tense. Do they refer to the present time (now) or future time?

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+	I'**m seeing** a friend tonight.
	She'**s arriving** at lunchtime.
−	She **isn't leaving** until Friday.
	They **aren't coming** to the party.
?	What **are** you **doing** this evening?
	Is she **meeting** us at the restaurant?

- We often use the present continuous with a future meaning, especially for future arrangements, i.e. for plans we have made at a fixed time or place in the future. Don't use the present simple for this.
  NOT ~~*I see some friends tonight.*~~

! ***be going to* or present continuous?**
We can often use either with no difference in meaning, e.g.
I'm going to see *Anna on Tuesday.* **OR** ***I'm seeing*** *Anna on Tuesday.*

It's very common to use the present continuous with the expressions *tonight*, *tomorrow*, *this weekend*, etc. and with verbs describing travel arrangements, e.g. *go, come, leave, arrive*.

I'm leaving *on Monday* is more common than ***I'm going to leave*** *on Monday.*

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b Look at the three extracts from the message Lily leaves Ben. Can you remember the missing verbs? Listen and check.
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1. I'm ..... from Gatwick with Easyjet.
2. I'm ..... at Budapest airport at 14.40.
3. I'm ..... at a lovely old hotel.

c Lily phones Ben when she arrives at the hotel. Listen to the conversation.What day do they arrange to meet?
1.65





d Listen. What happens when Ben and Lily meet?
1.66

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3 Pronunciation and speaking: sounding friendly

a Listen and practice the dialogue.

1.67.

A Would you like to go out for dinner?

B I'd love to.

A Are you free on Thursday?

B Sorry, I'm going to the cinema.

A What about Friday? What are you doing then?

B Nothing. Friday's fine.

A OK. Let's go to the new Italian place.

B Great.

b Complete your diary with different activities for three evenings. Then talk to other students. Try to find days when you are both free and suggest doing something.

MONTH:	YEAR:
MON	
TUES	
WEDS	
THURS	
FRI	
SAT	
SUN	

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4 Vocabulary: Verbs + prepositions

a Complete with; about / at / for/ in / of / on / to / with

1. I arrived …….. Paris on Friday night.
2. I was very tired when I arrived …….. the hotel.
3. I hate waiting …….. people who are late.
4. What are you going to do …….. the weekend?
5. I don't know. it depends …….. the weather.
6. I'm sorry, but I really don't agree …….. you.
7. I asked …….. a chicken sandwich, but this is tuna!
8. Let's invite Debbie and Tim …….. the party.
9. Who's going to pay …….. the meal?
10. I need to speak …….. Martin ……..the meeting.
11. I don't spend much money …….. food.
12. Are you going to write …….. him soon?
13. Don't worry …….. the exam. It isn't very hard.
14. She fell …….. love …….. a man she met on the Internet.
15. You're not listening! What are you thinking ……..?
16. What do you think …….. Shakira?
17. I really like her. I think she's great.

REMEMBER!
ARRIVE IN + CITIES OR COUNTRIES
ARRIVE AT + BUILDINGS, STATIONS, ETC

b Listen and check. 1.68

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5 Writing: An informal email.

a Goran is a student from Croatia who's going to study English in the UK. He's going to stay with a family. Read the email from Mr Barne and complete it with expressions from the list.

Best wishes ***Dear Goran*** ***PS***

Looking forward to hearing from you

From: Sally Barnes [Barnes@hotmail.com]
To: Goran [gorangrec@yahoo.com]
Subject: Your trip

1 .....
Thank you for your email. We're very happy that you're coming to stay with us this summer, and we're sure you're going to enjoy your stay with us.

What time are you arriving at Stansted airport? If you send us your flight number and arrival time, we can all meet you in Arrivals. Can you send us your mobile number too?

Could you also give us some other information? What day are you going back to Croatia? Is there anything you can't eat or drink? Do you want your own room, or do you prefer to share a room with another student? Is there anything special you would like to do or see in the UK?

2 .....

3 .....

Sally Barnes

4 ..... I'm attaching a photo of the family, so you can recognize us at the airport!



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b Imagine you are going to stay with Mrs Barnes. Answer her email using your own information. Write three paragraphs. End the email with Best wishes and your name.

Paragraph 1 Thank her for her email.

Paragraph 2 Say when you are arriving, etc.

Paragraph 3 Answer her other questions.

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