1 GRAMMAR present continuous (future arrangements)

a Complete the text with the present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

'Hi, I'm Lisa, your guide, and I'm going to tell you about the arrangements for your day trip to Paris. We [1] *'re starting* (start) our trip in about five minutes, so please make yourselves comfortable. We [2] _____ (drive) you straight to Dover – we [3] _____ (not stop) for breakfast on the way. We [4] _____ (get) the 9.15 ferry, so we're in a bit of a hurry. When we arrive in France, we [5] _____ (go) straight to Paris with no stops. We [6] _____ (not take) you to the city centre, because the traffic is terrible. We [7] _____ (stop) in Torcy, just outside Paris. We [8] _____ (arrive) in Paris at about midday, so you have all afternoon to go sightseeing and shop. We [9] _____ (pick) you up from the station in Torcy at 5.30 in the evening. We [10] _____ (catch) the ferry home at 8.45, so please don't be late. Now, any questions?'

a Read the advert for a holiday. How many nights does the tour last?

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Prague

The tour starts in Prague, capital of the Czech Republic. A free bus takes you from the airport to your hotel, where you spend three nights. The price includes a tour of the city, a cruise on the Vltava River, a visit to a spa resort, and a performance at the Laterna Magika theatre. From Prague you travel first class by train to your next destination: Vienna.

Vienna

The Austrian capital has many spectacular monuments, which you can visit with the free 72-hour travel card which you receive when you arrive in Vienna. The price also includes a tour of the city, Viennese coffee and cakes at the famous Hotel Sacher, and a performance at the opera. After your three nights in Vienna you travel first class by train to your final destination: Budapest.

Budapest

You spend your last three nights in Budapest, the capital city of Hungary, where there are plenty of places to explore. The city is divided into two parts: the old historic city of Buda on the hill, and the commercial city of Pest on the other side of the River Danube. The price includes a tour of the city with a visit to the Parliament building, a typical Hungarian dinner, a performance of classical music, and the return journey from your hotel to the airport.

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b Read the advert again. Answer the questions with P (Prague), V (Vienna), or B (Budapest).

In which city do customers...?

1 travel free on public transport ___
2 have a traditional evening meal ___
3 go on a boat trip ___
4 listen to a concert ___
5 have a drink and sweet snack ___
6 go to a place to relax ___