

Reading Section:

1. Read the article. Match the headings to the tips.

- a. Take more than one.
- b. Start early.
- c. Zoom in.

2. Read the article again. Mark the sentences T (true) or F (false):

- a. The best time to take photos is early evening.
- b. The writer prefers taking photos with people in them.
- c. Try to make your photos different from other people's.
- d. Your own photos are always better than postcards.
- e. The writer went to the Louvre to see paintings.
- f. He was sorry that he only had his small camera.

Grammar Section:

1. Choose the correct option:

- a. _____ last night?
- b. My brother _____ football.
- c. She _____ to the university.
She _____ history last year.
- d. We _____ to Malta last August.
- e. When I got home, my parents _____ on the sofa.
- f. What _____ at 11pm? You didn't answer my call.
- g. I _____ to music when I _____
- h. What _____? I _____ for my keys.
- i. I _____ the film, but I _____ it.

How to take better holiday photos

Holiday time is the one time we all take photos. We're in a strange new place, the sun is shining, and we want to record our surroundings and happy memories. So how do we take the perfect holiday photos? Here are three useful tips...

1

I took this photo in Bruges in Belgium. I got up and, when my friends were having breakfast, I went for a walk with my camera. This gave me three advantages:

- The sun was low in the sky and the light was beautiful and warm.
- There were no people around.
- My friends didn't need to wait patiently when I was taking photos.

The light in the evening is also good, but there are a lot more people around. There are times, in the local market, for example, when having lots of people in the photo can be a good thing, but most of the time I prefer my photos to be less crowded.



2



I took these two photos of the Forbidden City in Beijing, and I think the picture on the right is much better. Try not to take exactly the same picture as millions of other people – look for little details that other photographers haven't seen. Although I am a very enthusiastic photographer, I often buy a nice postcard of the places I visit – much better than going home with pictures that aren't very good.

3

These are the gardens outside the Louvre in Paris. We spent all day looking at the paintings, and we were walking back to the hotel when we saw someone feeding the birds. I only had my little camera with me, but it was all I needed. I quickly took maybe 30 photos from different angles, and this one is the best.



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