

**A**  Listen to the conversation. **Circle** *True* or *False* for each statement.

1 Maria and Alex are going on a trip to Chicago. True / False  
 2 Alex thinks Maria should go to the Chicago Riverwalk. True / False  
 3 Maria is staying in an expensive hotel near Route 66. True / False  
 4 The 94th floor of a Chicago building has good views of the city. True / False

\_\_\_\_\_ / 8 (2 points each)

**B** Match the sentence halves.

1 The building with the flag is	_____	A parking lot.
2 The train station has a very big	_____	B in a cheap hostel downtown.
3 About 4,000 cars drive along	_____	C goes under the river.
4 Ben and David are staying	_____	D George Washington on Main Street.
5 Cars can't go	_____	E the French Embassy.
6 There's a big monument to	_____	F go to the walk-in clinic.
7 The Lincoln Tunnel	_____	G on the sidewalk.
8 If you're sick,	_____	H this highway every morning.

\_\_\_\_\_ / 8 (1 point each)

**C** **Circle** the correct words to complete the conversation.**Travel Agent** Good morning. How can I help you?**Tourist** Hello. I need to <sup>1</sup>*buy / book* a flight to Cancun, please. I want to go on August 12 and come back on August 19.**Travel Agent** No problem. So there's a <sup>2</sup>*departure / reservation* at 7:50 a.m., and the <sup>3</sup>*route / arrival* is at 1:40 p.m. Is that OK for you?**Tourist** Sure. That sounds good. Is it a <sup>4</sup>*direct / terminal* flight?**Travel Agent** Yes, it is. You don't need to change planes. Do you want a hotel <sup>5</sup>*arrival / reservation*, too? Sometimes the <sup>6</sup>*lines / fares* go down if you book the plane and hotel at the same time.**Tourist** Yes, please.**Travel Agent** OK. So, you leave at 7:50 a.m. from <sup>7</sup>*Terminal / Route* B on August 12 ...

\_\_\_\_\_ / 7 (1 point each)

**D** Complete each sentence with the missing article (*a*, *an*, or *the*). Write *(-)* if no article is needed.

- 1 Excuse me, where is \_\_\_\_\_ Colombian Embassy?
- 2 I want to stay in \_\_\_\_\_ hostels to save some money. Hotels are too expensive.
- 3 Is there \_\_\_\_\_ bridge over the Hudson River?
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_ fastest way to get to Central Park is by subway.
- 5 You get \_\_\_\_\_ amazing view of the city from the ferry.
- 6 We usually take \_\_\_\_\_ buses to get across town. It's quicker than walking.
- 7 Is there \_\_\_\_\_ tunnel under the East River?
- 8 The Statue of Liberty is \_\_\_\_\_ amazing monument. Don't miss it!
- 9 Our kids want to go to \_\_\_\_\_ zoo in Central Park. People say it's great.

\_\_\_\_\_ / 9 (1 point each)

**E** Choose the correct answers.

- 1 The airport is a long way from your hotel. You \_\_\_\_\_ take the train.  
A would      B should
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_ I book a flight to Nashville, please?  
A Could      B Would
- 3 I \_\_\_\_\_ take the subway at night. I'd get a taxi.  
A shouldn't      B wouldn't
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_ I go to see the sculptures in the park?  
A Should      B Would
- 5 I \_\_\_\_\_ stay in the hostel. It's clean, cheap, and friendly.  
A would      B wouldn't
- 6 People \_\_\_\_\_ cycle on the sidewalk. It's a bad idea.  
A couldn't      B shouldn't
- 7 When you visit, we \_\_\_\_\_ show you around the city if you like.  
A should      B could
- 8 That neighborhood is scary. I really \_\_\_\_\_ go there at night.  
A wouldn't      B shouldn't

\_\_\_\_\_ / 8 (1 point each)

**F** Read the blog post. Then answer the questions.

### Pay Less!

Everyone knows that vacations can cost a lot of money. There are flights to book, hotels and restaurants to pay for, and vacation souvenirs to buy, of course. So how can you have a cheap vacation? Here's the best advice on the internet.

You should always check a few different websites because you might find better prices for hotels and flights. For cheap flights, try typing in early morning departure times, like 6 a.m., for example. Many people don't like to fly early in the morning or late at night, so you can also look at late-night arrival times. Arriving after midnight often makes the flight cheaper. Look for routes that aren't direct, too. You could fly cheaper if you take two planes instead of just one!

If you're traveling alone, you should stay in a hostel to save money. Many hostels have small kitchens so you can cook food from the supermarket. They also often have books, games, wi-fi, and TV. Some hostels give you free food and free tours of the city. Hostels are great places to make new friends, too.

Use your apps! There are a lot of apps that can help you get good prices on hotel rooms. You just open the app each morning and look for the best prices.

And my best advice ... I'd eat street food! It's delicious, easy to find, and it only costs a dollar or two. You could eat a different dish every day and still save money. Oh, and don't buy water. Take a water bottle with you. Water's free!

Your turn: how do you save money on vacation? Tell us [here](#).

- 1 What is the blog post about?
  - A departures and arrivals for flights
  - B traveling alone
  - C saving money on vacation
- 2 The writer says that you can get cheap flights
  - A on early and late departures and arrivals
  - B by traveling alone
  - C only after midnight
- 3 Hostels save you money because they often have
  - A supermarkets.
  - B kitchens, free food, and wi-fi.
  - C apps and street food.
- 4 How could you save on money for food?
  - A You could pay restaurant checks.
  - B You could eat street food.
  - C You should just drink water.
- 5 What apps does the writer say you should use?
  - A apps for street food
  - B apps for wi-fi hotspots
  - C apps for hotel rooms

\_\_\_\_\_ / 10 (2 points each)