

UNIT 15

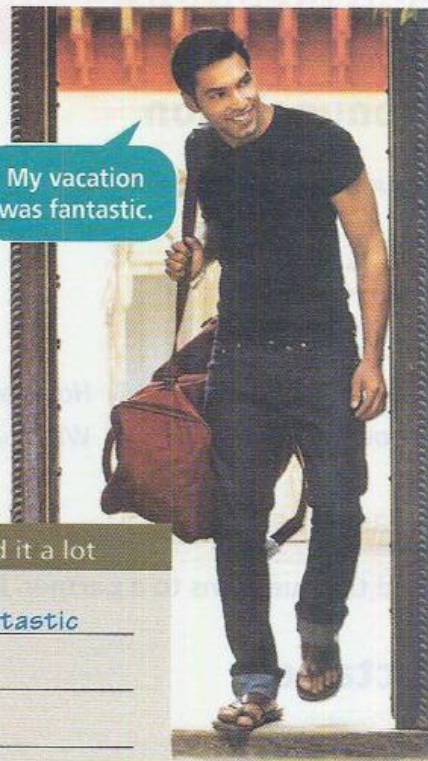
Vacations

Getting Ready

When do you use these words? Write them in the correct lists. Then add your own words to each list.

not bad	wonderful	very disappointing	so-so
awful	all right	nothing special	terrific
fantastic	really great	pretty boring	terrible

My vacation was fantastic.



Didn't like it	Liked it a little	Liked it a lot
_____	_____	fantastic
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

CD 2-34 Listening 1

These people didn't have a good vacation. What did they do?
Listen and circle the correct answer.

- a. went away
(b.) stayed home
- a. went to Hawaii
b. went to Okinawa
- a. went away
b. stayed home
- a. invited relatives to stay
b. visited relatives
- a. went to the beach
b. went to the country
- a. went skiing
b. stayed home
- a. went skiing
b. stayed home
- a. went to Las Vegas
b. went to Los Angeles

Listening 2

CD 2-35 ► Task 1

Did the people enjoy their vacations? Listen and check (✓) the correct answer.

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|---|--|
| 1. ☐ yes
☒ no | 5. ☐ yes
☐ no |
| 2. ☐ yes
☐ no | 6. ☐ yes
☐ no |
| 3. ☐ yes
☐ no | 7. ☐ yes
☐ no |
| 4. ☐ yes
☐ no | 8. ☐ yes
☐ no |



CD 2-35 ► Task 2

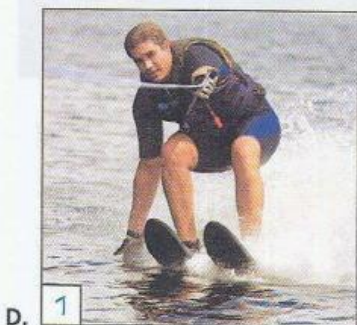
Listen again. What word completes each statement? Write the correct letter.

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| 1. The weather was <u>b</u> . | a. fantastic |
| 2. The people were ____. | b. terrible |
| 3. The ski trip was ____. | c. disappointing |
| 4. Their trip to France was very ____. | d. nice |
| 5. Her trip to the beach was ____. | e. clean |
| 6. The hotel wasn't ____. | f. awful |
| 7. The shopping in Thailand was ____. | g. short |
| 8. His vacation was too ____. | h. terrific |

Listening 3

CD 2-36 ► Task 1

People are talking about their vacations. Listen and number the pictures.



CD 2-36 ► Task 2

Listen again. Are the statements true or false? Check (✓) the correct answer.

	True	False
1. He learned to water ski very slowly.	☐	☒
2. It was cold at night.	☐	☐
3. The museums were interesting.	☐	☐
4. The weather wasn't good.	☐	☐
5. She went to France.	☐	☐
6. They had a comfortable trip.	☐	☐

Conversation Corner Talking about vacations

Pronunciation

Past tense *-ed* endings

CD 2-37 ► Task 1

Listen and repeat.

1. It rained every day.
2. I rented a house.
3. I walked on the beach every morning.

CD 2-38 ► Task 2

Listen to the sentences. Circle the *-ed* ending sound you hear.

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|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. listened /t/ <u>/d/</u> /id/ | 3. jumped /t/ /d/ /id/ | 5. shopped /t/ /d/ /id/ |
| 2. heated /t/ /d/ /id/ | 4. traveled /t/ /d/ /id/ | 6. waited /t/ /d/ /id/ |

Dictation

CD 2-39 ► Task 1

Listen to the conversation. Write the missing words.

A: How was your vacation, Julia?

B: It was great! I _____ a _____ with some friends at the beach.

A: That sounds like fun!

B: It was. I _____ the beach every morning, and I learned to windsurf.

A: Nice. Did you stay at the beach the whole time?

B: No, we visited a cute town nearby. We _____ souvenirs and ate ice cream.

A: Sounds wonderful.

B: It was. In fact, I've _____ I _____ to live near the beach!

► Task 2

Practice the conversation with a partner. Be sure to pronounce the past *-ed* verb endings correctly.

Conversation

Work in pairs. Think about a memorable vacation. Talk to your partner about it.

Pronunciation Help

Sounds like /t/	Sounds like /d/	Sounds like /id/
watched	stayed	visited
talked	learned	decided
asked	skied	skated