

1 Read the model text and answer the questions.

- 1 Is the writer at the campsite on 15th August?
- 2 What's the weather like on the first day of the expedition?
- 3 What day did the writer go kayaking?
- 4 What happened when he went kayaking?
- 5 When is the writer going to go walking in the mountains?

2 Study the key phrases. Decide whether each phrase is about the past, the present or the future.

KEY PHRASES **Writing a blog**

Here I am in my ...

We're going to stay ...

We had a ... time.

I'm going to go on an ... next ...

This is me in my ...

Language point: so

3 Match 1–6 with a–f and write sentences using **so**.

*I'm going to take my laptop, so I can continue this blog.
I fell in the water five times, so I know!*

- 1 It's rainy.
 - 2 We haven't got a tent.
 - 3 It's interesting.
 - 4 It's hot.
 - 5 We're lost.
 - 6 It's cold.
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- a I'm going to swim in the river.
 - b We're going to wear waterproof clothes.
 - c We're going to get into our sleeping bags.
 - d We aren't going to go camping.
 - e I'm going to write a blog about it.
 - f I'm going to look at the map.

4 ACTIVATE Follow the steps in the writing guide.

 WRITING GUIDE

A TASK

Write a blog about an expedition.

B THINK AND PLAN

Day 1

Think of the details of your expedition:
Where? (e.g. hiking in the Bayanaul National Park, cycling in the Tatras) When?
What equipment are you going to take?

Day 2

Describe the weather and the place.
What activities are you going to do later?
(e.g. caving, rock climbing, trekking, mountain biking, etc.)

Day 3

What were the activities like?
What are you going to do tomorrow?

C WRITE

Write your blog. Follow the model text and use the key phrases.

D CHECK

- sentences with **so**
- spelling and punctuation

Saturday 15th August

I'm going to go on an expedition next Saturday. We're going to stay in a campsite in the Pyrenees. I'm going to take my laptop, so I can continue this blog.

Saturday 22nd August

Here I am in my tent. It's hot and sunny and we're staying next to a river. I'm going to take loads of photos because the mountains are spectacular. We're going to go kayaking on the river later.

Sunday 23rd August

This is me in my kayak. We had a fantastic time, but the river was really cold. I fell in the water five times, so I know! We're going to walk in the mountains tomorrow. I'm going to take my compass ... and a first aid kit!

