

# Reading

- a Read the journalist's blog for his trip. Did he have a good time?
- b Read the blog again and tick (✓) the things that were a problem.
  - 1 He didn't arrive at the right time at one of the houses.
  - 2 He couldn't understand the host's friends very well.
  - 3 One host didn't have much time to show him the city.
  - 4 One of the hosts didn't speak very good English.
  - 5 He did something wrong in one of the flats.
  - 6 He didn't like the food that one of the hosts cooked.
- c Read the blog again and look at the **highlighted** verb phrases. With a partner, say what you think they mean.



## Paris: Théo

I met Théo at the Place D'Italie metro station. He's 24 and his English is good. At his apartment **I met his flatmate**, Roger. They were very friendly. They made me a delicious dinner of crêpes and ham and eggs. Then they took me to Footsie, a great bar near the Opéra. Some friends came and in the end the conversation changed to French. That was difficult for me and **I got tired**. Finally, we went to a party near Montmartre. It was great! Lots of friendly people. I went back to Théo's flat on the back of his bicycle.



## Vienna: Artur

I stayed with Artur, a biochemistry student. He was friendly, but when I arrived I wanted to have a bath and I forgot **to turn off the tap**. The bathroom was full of water. Oops!



## Budapest: Judit

**I got off the train** at the wrong station so I arrived late at Judit's flat. She wasn't very happy. She's a journalist for the Hungarian channels MTV and TV2 and she's an incredibly busy woman. In the afternoon she took me with her to a shopping centre to help her choose a dress for a party. That was a bit surreal! In the evening we had dinner together in the Castro bar in the city centre. Next day **I flew home** to London, tired but happy. I'm definitely going to do it again!



- a Complete the holiday phrases using a verb from the list.

go have see stay show

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_ in a hotel / with a friend / for a week
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_ somebody round your town / city
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_ the sights
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_ by train (bus, plane) / back home
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_ a good time / nice meals