

# READING

**1** Read the text quickly. Choose (✓) True or False.

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|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. The story is about a bad vacation.            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. The story is about people who live in Europe. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

## Dream trip to Europe?

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Travel Europe

My worst vacation experience was when I was a student. I went on a train trip around Europe with a college friend.

First, we went to Brussels. On our first day there, we were standing in the subway station when someone took my wallet. We didn't have much cash after that, so we had to save money. We couldn't afford to eat in restaurants, so we ate bread, cheese, and tomatoes every day. We couldn't afford hotels either, so we slept on the trains or in the train stations. One night, we were sleeping in a park when a police officer shouted at us. We couldn't understand him, and I was really frightened. It wasn't fun.

We visited a lot of beautiful places, but on our last vacation day I just wanted to go home, have a nice hot shower, and sleep in my bed! When we got to the airport, however, our plane was ten hours late. So, on our last night in Europe, we slept in the airport. Well, at least I can say it was a "budget trip."



**2** Read the text again. Match the underlined words or phrases with their meanings in the text.

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| 1. cash ____            | a. not spend                |
| 2. save ____            | b. didn't have enough money |
| 3. couldn't afford ____ | c. money in coins or bills  |
| 4. budget ____          | d. not expensive            |

**3** Read the text again. Complete the sentences about the story.

1. Tony and his friend were traveling by train.
2. Someone took his wallet while they were \_\_\_\_\_ in the subway station.
3. A police officer shouted at them while they were \_\_\_\_\_ in a park.
4. They spent the night in the airport while they were \_\_\_\_\_ for the plane.