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An email to a friend about a trip to a city (Extra task for Unit 1)



A Label the pictures with these words.

explore the city go on a bus tour go shopping have a great time
see new places stay with friends



B Read Paul's email about his trip and answer the questions below.

Dear Jack,

How are you? I hope you're well. I'm in London with my family this weekend. We're staying with my cousins. I'm really excited because there are lots of places to visit and lots of things to do here.

On Saturday morning, we're going to Oxford Street and Regent Street and we're going to go shopping. I really want to visit Hamleys, the famous toyshop. In the afternoon, we're visiting the Natural History Museum.

On Sunday, we're going on a bus tour because we want to see all of the city. In the evening, we're going to go to the cinema. We're going to have a great time here!

What about you? Write and tell me what you're doing at the weekend.

Bye for now!
Paul



- 1 Where is Paul this weekend?

- 2 Where is he staying?

- 3 What is he going to do on Saturday morning?

- 4 Which museum is Paul visiting on Saturday afternoon?

- 5 Why is he going on a bus tour on Sunday?

- 6 Where is he going to go on Sunday evening?

BE AMAZING !

When we write about a trip to a city, we can use the **present continuous** to say what we are doing now or for a short time and the **present continuous** or **be going to** to say what we have planned or arranged to do.

C Look at Paul's email again. Underline four examples of the present continuous, and circle three examples of **be going to**.

D Complete the sentences with the present continuous.

- 1 I _____ (write) to you from my sister's house next to the sea.
- 2 My family and I _____ (spend) our summer holidays in Venice, Italy.
- 3 At the moment, my dad _____ (swim) in the pool and my mum _____ (sit) in the sun.
- 4 Tomorrow we _____ (go) on a boat trip.
- 5 At the weekend we _____ (visit) a famous square and we _____ (have) dinner there.
- 6 When _____ (you/go) on holiday?

E Now write a letter to a friend about a holiday or a trip. Use this plan to help you. Use the **present continuous** and **be going to**.

Plan

Start your email with *Dear/ Hi ...*,

Paragraph 1: Ask the reader how he/she is and say you hope they are well, then say where you are, who you are with and how you feel.

Paragraph 2: Write about what you are doing/going to do on Saturday.

Paragraph 3: Write about what you are doing/going to do on Sunday, and say that you're going to have a great time.

End your email by asking the reader about themselves, to write to you, and with

Bye for now! / Love, and your name.


