

Globetrotters

I can understand a text about adventure holidays.

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- 1 Complete the email with the correct form of the verbs below.

come get (x2) go pull set stop take

To: frank@email.com

Hi Frank

We went to Petra yesterday. We ¹ _____ off from Amman, the capital, very early in the morning. During the coach journey, we ² _____ up at a small town for a break. We finally arrived at Petra and it was amazing! Andy ³ _____ off to climb the hills to get a better view of the city. I saw quite a few people ⁴ _____ around on camels, but I didn't fancy exploring the place in this way! I ⁵ _____ across some local people selling beautiful handmade souvenirs and bought a few. Andy wanted to ⁶ _____ over in a local hotel to ⁷ _____ in more of the monuments the next day, but I wanted to ⁸ _____ back to the capital so we could visit that too. There's so much to see in Jordan! More news tomorrow!

Bye for now!

Amy



- 2 Read the texts. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

- In the past, adventure holidays were something that only the well-off could afford to do. ☐
- The crocodiles at Crocosaurus swim inside a glass cage that is lowered into the water. ☐
- The spa in Israel is overcrowded. ☐
- The visitors lie on their backs on the massage table. ☐
- You have to walk along the 'Changong Zhando' in order to get to the top of Mount Haushan. ☐
- The 'Changong Zhando' is through two mountains. ☐

Reading Strategy

When you have to match statements or questions with different texts, you must remember that some of the topics or key words from the task may appear in several of the texts. Study each text carefully to decide which of the statements or questions matches it most closely.

- 3 Read the Reading Strategy. Match texts A–C with questions 1–6 below. Each text may be matched with more than one question.

Which text mentions ...

- a route that visitors have to take? ☐
- unexpected sensations? ☐
- the age of the facilities? ☐
- the chance to reduce stress? ☐
- protective equipment? ☐
- losing weight? ☐

Living dangerously!

A Crocosaurus Cove, Australia

If you think adventure is synonymous with wild animals, then you should try the Cage of Death at Crocosaurus Cove in Darwin, Australia, where you can swim with crocodiles for fifteen minutes! Visitors climb into a cage made of glass walls that are four centimetres thick and are then lowered into a pool where an enormous 'croc' (six metres long and weighing eight hundred kilos) is waiting! It's an unforgettable experience and you'll be telling your friends about it for years to come.



These days, having adventure holidays is no longer for the privileged few. If you're looking for new experiences, we've got some incredible suggestions for you!

B Talmei Elazar, Israel



A relaxing massage at a spa is the perfect way to chill out and escape the overcrowded tourist zones. However, this spa in northern Israel employs unusual staff members to give the massages: snakes! The owner, Ada Barack, asks clients to lie on the massage table and then drops six snakes onto their backs! Visitors say they expect the snakes to feel wet, but in fact they are cool, dry and smooth. You may feel a little tense at the beginning, but you'll be leaving the spa feeling more relaxed than you have in a long time!

C Mount Haushan, China

Seeing the sights at the top of Mount Haushan in China is not for people who don't like heights! After climbing the hundreds of steep steps that are cut into the rock, visitors have to walk along the 'Changong Zhando'. This is the name given to the terrifying walk along two narrow pieces of wood on the side of the mountain which are only forty centimetres wide. There is just a seven-hundred-year-old chain handrail fixed into the rock to stop you from falling over two thousand metres to your death! You'll have lost a few kilos through exercise and worry by the time you reach the top!

