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Holidays at home

Official figures show that the number of people (0) international flights is decreasing, and that this is (1) in significant changes to holidaying habits.

As the cost of air tickets increases, it appears that more and more families are choosing to (2) their summer holidays at home. People are also becoming more (3) of the harm that flying does to the environment, and see it as a way of helping to (4) the planet, too.

For many parents a summer with no airport queues or overcrowded resorts may seem attractive, but the idea might well be less (5) with their teenage children, who are probably (6) to flying off to the Mediterranean or Miami as soon as school breaks up. So, the question is, how can young people (7) lots of fun when so much will be closed for the holidays, and so many of their friends are (8) to be away?

The answer may lie at the local sports centre. Nowadays, many centres organise summer activities aimed at young people (9) either on indoor or outdoor sports. These might range, for instance, from playing table tennis to (10) mountain-biking. As well as being healthy and enjoyable, taking part in activities like these is also an excellent way to (11) new friends. For the most popular activities, though, it is advisable to (12) early for a place – perhaps two or three months in advance.

1 A leading	B resulting	C causing	D creating
2 A pass	B employ	C use	D spend
3 A aware	B thoughtful	C wise	D familiar
4 A save	B secure	C guard	D defend
5 A liked	B popular	C approved	D accepted
6 A used	B experienced	C preferred	D prepared
7 A do	B live	C cause	D have
8 A positive	B inevitable	C bound	D definite
9 A eager	B keen	C fond	D enthusiastic
10 A going	B cycling	C playing	D riding
11 A meet	B know	C join	D make
12 A demand	B apply	C claim	D order