

Use of English 1



1 Read the text below and decide which answer, A, B, C or D, best fits each gap.

Holidays Off-Season

If you go on holiday in high season, at some ¹ you will find yourselves on a packed beach with about five centimetres of sand to call your own. Relaxing, this is not. So, if you want to escape the crowds, travelling in the off-season can be a clever ²

First of all, because there are fewer tourists, you can rent hotel rooms

³ cheap and flights are also sometimes half the price compared with high season. Even in the worst tourist ⁴, you can find many bargains in shops, restaurants and on trips.

Secondly, it can be very pleasant to ⁵ around the most popular sites without having to wait your turn along with thousands of other visitors. Nothing beats the feeling of having the Acropolis in Athens all to yourself!

However, a word of warning. There are downsides to visiting in low season, too. It can sometimes be difficult to ⁶ around, especially if you rely on public transport. Obviously, if you're in a major city like Rome or Barcelona, you can ⁷ on a bus at any time of the year, but in smaller resorts, a lot of buses and ferries are cancelled or run on a reduced service after the tourists go home. Be sure to check all timetables online before you leave to ensure that you will actually be able to reach your final ⁸



1	A moment	B move	C point	D level
2	A move	B pass	C position	D walk
3	A earth	B dirt	C dust	D mud
4	A holes	B prisons	C traps	D cages
5	A dash	B march	C slide	D wander
6	A get	B give	C make	D take
7	A climb	B dive	C hop	D jog
8	A arrival	B destination	C end	D stop