

Winter Vacation

Akane and Howard talk about their winter vacations.



Akane Howard

Listen to the audio. Are the sentences true or false

Statements:

1. Akane went to Portugal for her winter vacation.
2. Akane stayed with her friend's family in Portugal.
3. Akane knew fluent Portuguese before going to Portugal.
4. Akane enjoyed the exotic foods in Portugal.
5. Howard spent his winter vacation in Daytona Beach, Florida.
6. The weather in Daytona Beach was cold during Howard's vacation.
7. Howard watched the movie "The Aviator" during his vacation.
8. Howard rode a bicycle to the mountains during his vacation.

Listen to the audio and complete the gaps

Akane's Vacation

Last year, I _____ to Portugal just after Christmas. And I _____ there until... well, just after New Year's this year. In Portugal, I _____ up with one of my friends from Toronto. He _____ family that _____ in Portugal, because his family _____ originally from Portugal.

So, they _____ kind enough to let me stay with them. I didn't know any Portuguese, except for some simple words like "hello", and "thank you". I _____ some simple words through an audio CD, before I _____ there. And the people that I _____ with didn't know very much English either. However, we _____ along surprisingly well.

They _____ surprised that I _____ able to eat some of their exotic foods. They _____ some delicious meals every single day, like octopus, tripe and rabbit. It is quite exotic, but I _____ it was quite good. They also _____ some excellent desserts, like crème caramel, and a rich sponge cake that they call Paon d'lo.

Howard's Vacation

OK, now I'll talk about my winter vacation. This winter vacation I _____ two weeks in my hometown which is Daytona Beach, Florida. It was wonderful. The weather _____ warm every day. It was sunny every day and the temperature was almost 80 degrees.

I _____ my mother and I _____ every morning having a nice leisurely cup of coffee and reading the newspaper and after that I _____ my bicycle out and _____ down to the beach and enjoyed the sun and the surf, and _____ back home and _____ a book and went to bed early.

I _____ a wonderful time. I _____ a couple of new movies, when I was home in Florida. I _____ The Aviator and also an interesting movie _____ Spanglish, which I hope you all can see because it's an interesting movie about English and the Spanish.