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Holidays at home

Official figures show that the number of people **(0) taking** 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.

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| 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. stored | D. sited |
| 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 |

