

1 Read Matt's blog post about his holiday and circle T (true) or F (false).

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OUR HOLIDAY

by Matt Atkinson

We didn't go on holiday last August because Dad had too much work. We stayed at home. We sometimes visited Granny and Grandad in the country at the weekend.

Then one evening, we were sitting near the fire. It was cold and dark. Suddenly, Dad said to Mum: 'We didn't have a summer holiday. Let's go to a warm country for ten days!' 'That's a wonderful idea!' said Mum. So we bought tickets to Jamaica!

We arrived there late on Saturday night and took a taxi to our hotel. It had a big swimming pool and the beach was a hundred metres away.

The next day, Mum and I went snorkelling. We were swimming in the warm water when we saw some dolphins. Dad and my sister stayed at the hotel. They swam in the pool and read books all day.

We did other things too. We went sightseeing and in the evening we listened to reggae – that's Jamaican music. It was too hot to go hiking, but we went on a boat trip on the Martha Brae River. Our guide was a friendly man and he told us about the animals and birds we saw.

It was the best holiday of my life!

1. Matt stayed at home last August because his dad had too much work. T / F
2. He sometimes visited his grandparents. T / F
3. Matt's grandparents live in a town. T / F
4. Matt and his family went to Jamaica for two weeks. T / F
5. There was a big swimming pool in the hotel. T / F
6. Matt's dad and sister spent the second day on the beach. T / F
7. Matt and his family saw some wild animals and birds. T / F

2 Read the email and write the missing words. Write one word on each line.



Hi Milly,

I'm sorry I can't meet you this afternoon. I'm busy today because I have a lot of chores.

Anna is lucky. She finished her chores an hour ⁰ ago. She fed the animals, watered the plants and ¹ the table after breakfast. She is doing her homework right ²

Max isn't as tidy ³ Anna and me. He's messy! He's in his room ⁴ the moment – I can hear him, but I don't think he is ⁵ his bed!

Dad is messy too. He lost the ⁶ control for the TV last night – again. I found it ⁷ I was vacuuming the living room. It was under the sofa! Mum is at work. She started her new job at the big department ⁸ in town last week.

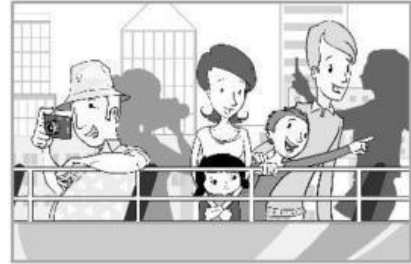
⁹ you want to meet me in the park tomorrow afternoon?

Cheers,

Rosie

- 3 Look at the picture and read the story. Write some words to complete the sentences about the story. You can use 1, 2, 3 or 4 words.

Summer Holidays by Tom Summers



Two years ago, my family and I went on holiday to London. My parents and I loved it, but my sister Julie didn't like it very much. She was only five. She got tired quickly and she didn't want to get up early in the mornings.

On the first day, we went sightseeing around the city on a red London bus. We saw a lot of famous places: the Tower of London, the Houses of Parliament and St Paul's Cathedral. In the evening, we went on a boat trip on the River Thames. We did a lot of other things too. Mum loved London's famous department stores and spent a lot of money there. Dad spent his money in bookshops. I got bored in shops, so I didn't buy anything.

We visited some great museums. The Science Museum was fun, but the Natural History Museum was better. It had dinosaurs!

One day, we went to Hyde Park. We fed the ducks in the lake and we went cycling. Unfortunately, it was hot and my face and arms were red at the end of the day!

On our last day, my sister got lost. We were walking in Oxford Street when Mum said to Dad: 'Where's Julie? I thought she was with you!'

'And I thought she was with you!' said Dad. Luckily, we found her quickly. She was looking at some toys in a shop window ten metres behind us!

Questions

- 0 Two years ago, Julie was years old.
- 1 Tom and his family went around the city on a red
- 2 They went on a one evening.
- 3 Tom's mother went shopping in some famous
- 4 Tom didn't buy things because he got in shops.
- 5 Tom thought the Natural History Museum was the Science Museum.
- 6 They went in Hyde Park.
- 7 They lost Julie when in Oxford Street.
- 8 When they found Julie, she was looking at toys