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# Hit the road!

- ▶ Discuss vacation and travel plans
- ▶ Give travel advice

## 1 SNAPSHOT

What do you like to do on vacation?



take a fun trip

discover something new

stay home

enjoy nature

- visit a foreign country
- travel in my own country

- go to a music festival
- take a photography course

- hang out with friends
- host a family reunion

- go camping
- relax at the beach

Which activities do you like to do on vacation? Check (✓) the activities.

Which activities would you like to do on your next vacation?

Make a list of other activities you like to do on vacation. Then compare with a partner.

## 2 CONVERSATION I guess I'll just stay home.

▶ A Listen and practice.

**Nora:** I'm so excited! We have two weeks off! What are you going to do?

**Lily:** I'm not sure. I guess I'll just stay home. Maybe I'll hang out with some friends and watch my favorite series. What about you? Any plans?

**Nora:** Yeah, I'm going to relax at the beach with my cousin. We're going to go surfing every day. And my cousin likes to snorkel, so maybe we'll go snorkeling one day.

**Lily:** Sounds like fun.

**Nora:** Hey, why don't you come with us?

**Lily:** Do you mean it? I'd love to! I'll bring my surfboard!

**Nora:** That's great! The more the merrier!



▶ B Listen to the rest of the conversation. Where are they going to stay? How will they get there?

### 3 GRAMMAR FOCUS

#### ► Future with *be going to* and *will*

Use *be going to* + verb for plans you've decided on.

What are you going to do?

I'm going to relax at the beach.

We're going to go surfing every day.

I'm not going to do anything special.

Use *will* + verb for possible plans before you've made a decision.

What are you going to do?

I'm not sure. I guess I'll just stay home.

Maybe I'll take a course.

I don't know. I think I'll go camping.

I probably won't go anywhere.

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A Complete the conversation with appropriate forms of *be going to* or *will*. Then compare with a partner.

1. A: Have you made any vacation plans?

B: Well, I've decided on one thing – I \_\_\_\_\_ take a bike tour.

A: That's great! For how long?

B: I \_\_\_\_\_ be away for about a week. I need to take some time off.

A: So, when are you leaving?

B: I'm not sure. I \_\_\_\_\_ probably leave around the end of next month.

A: And where \_\_\_\_\_ you go?

B: I haven't thought about that yet. I guess I \_\_\_\_\_ go down south.

A: That sounds like fun. \_\_\_\_\_ you buy a new bicycle?

B: I'm not sure. Actually, I probably \_\_\_\_\_ buy one – I don't have enough money right now. I guess I \_\_\_\_\_ rent one.

A: \_\_\_\_\_ you go with anyone?

B: No. I need some time alone. I \_\_\_\_\_ travel by myself.

2. A: What are your plans for the holiday weekend?

B: I \_\_\_\_\_ visit my parents.

A: What \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ do there?

B: Nothing much. I \_\_\_\_\_ hang out with some old school friends. And we \_\_\_\_\_ probably have a barbecue on Sunday.

A: That sounds like fun. When \_\_\_\_\_ you leave?

B: I'm not sure yet. I \_\_\_\_\_ probably leave on Friday night if I don't need to work on Saturday.

A: \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ fly there?

B: I wish I could, but it's too expensive. I guess I \_\_\_\_\_ take the train.

A: \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ go alone?

B: Maybe my brother \_\_\_\_\_ go, too. He hasn't decided yet.

A: Do you know when you are coming back?

B: I think I \_\_\_\_\_ come back on Monday.

A: Good. Then we can have dinner together on Monday.

B Have you thought about your next vacation? Write answers to these questions. (If you already have plans, use *be going to*. If you don't have fixed plans, use *will*.)

1. How are you going to spend your next vacation?

2. Where are you going to go?

3. When are you going to take your vacation?

4. How long are you going to be on vacation?

5. Is anyone going to travel with you?

I'm going to spend my next vacation...

or I'm not sure. Maybe I'll...

C GROUP WORK Take turns telling the group about your vacation plans. Use your information from part B.

## 4 WORD POWER Travel preparations

A Complete the chart. Then add one more word to each category.

ATM card	cash	medication	plane ticket	swimsuit
backpack	first-aid kit	money belt	sandals	travel insurance
carry-on bag	hiking boots	passport	suitcase	vaccination

Clothing	Money	Health	Documents	Luggage

B PAIR WORK What are the five most important items you need for these vacations?

a beach vacation      a rafting trip      a trip to a foreign country

## 5 INTERCHANGE 5 Fun trips

Decide between two vacations. Student A, go to Interchange 5A on page 118; Student B, go to Interchange 5B on page 120.

## 6 PERSPECTIVES Travel advisor

► A Listen to these pieces of advice from experienced travelers. What topic is each person talking about?



B PAIR WORK Look at the advice again. Do you think this is all good advice? Why or why not?

## 7 GRAMMAR FOCUS

### ► Modals for necessity and suggestion

#### Describing necessity

You **must** have health insurance.  
You **need to** be 21 or over.  
You **have to** get a passport.  
You **don't have to** get vaccinations.

#### Giving suggestions

You'd **better** avoid the stalls on the street.  
You **ought to** make a copy of your passport.  
You **should** try some local specialties.  
You **shouldn't** carry a lot of cash.

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**A** Choose the best advice for someone who is going on vacation. Then compare with a partner.

1. You \_\_\_\_\_ pack too many clothes. You won't have room to bring back any gifts. (don't have to / shouldn't)
2. You \_\_\_\_\_ carry identification with you. It's the law! (must / should)
3. You \_\_\_\_\_ buy a money belt to carry your passport, ATM card, and cash. (have to / ought to)
4. You \_\_\_\_\_ make hotel reservations in advance. It might be difficult to find a room after you get there. (have to / 'd better)
5. You \_\_\_\_\_ buy a round-trip plane ticket because it's cheaper. (must / should)
6. You \_\_\_\_\_ check out of most hotel rooms by noon if you don't want to pay for another night. (need to / ought to)

**B PAIR WORK** Imagine you're going to travel abroad. Take turns giving each other advice.

"You must take enough medication for your entire trip."

1. You . . . take enough medication for your entire trip.
2. You . . . take your ATM card with you.
3. You . . . get the necessary vaccinations.
4. You . . . forget to pack your camera.
5. You . . . have a visa to enter some foreign countries.
6. You . . . change money before you go. You can do it when you arrive.



## 8 PRONUNCIATION Linked sounds with /w/ and /y/

► Listen and practice. Notice how some words are linked by a /w/ sound, and other words are linked by a /y/ sound.

/w/  
You should know about local conditions.

/w/  
You ought to do it right away.

/y/  
You shouldn't carry a lot of cash.

/y/  
You must be at least 21 years old.

## 9 LISTENING A pleasant trip

► A Listen to an interview with a spokeswoman from the London Visitor Center. Number the topics she discusses in the correct order from 1 to 4.

a.  money \_\_\_\_\_  
b.  public transportation \_\_\_\_\_  
c.  safety \_\_\_\_\_  
d.  planning a trip \_\_\_\_\_

► B Listen again. Write one piece of advice that she gives for each topic.

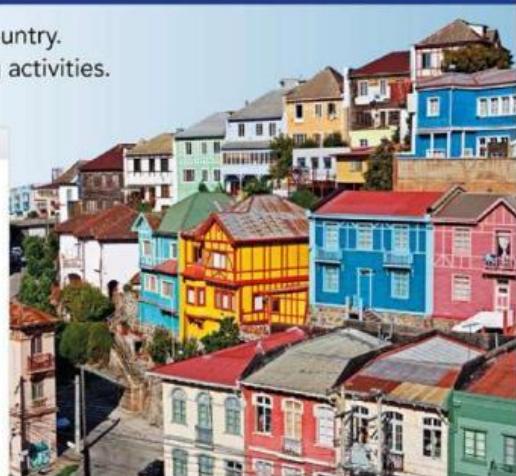
C **GROUP WORK** Which pieces of advice for London apply to your city or town? Which don't? Why and why not?

## 10 WRITING Have a safe trip.

A Imagine someone is going to visit your town, city, or country. Write an email giving some suggestions for sightseeing activities.

Dear Michael,

I'm so glad you're coming to visit me in Valparaiso. There are lots of things to see here, and we are going to walk a lot, so bring some comfortable shoes. Don't forget your swimsuit, because I'm planning to take you to Vina del Mar for a day at the beach. It will be warm, so you don't need to pack . . .



Valparaiso, Chile

B **PAIR WORK** Exchange emails. Is there anything else the visitor needs to know about (food, money, business hours, etc.)?

## 11 DISCUSSION Around the world

A **PAIR WORK** You just won a free 30-day trip around the world. Discuss the following questions.

When will you leave and return?  
Which direction will you go (east, west, north, or south)?  
Where will you choose to stop? Why?  
How will you get from place to place?  
How long will you stay in each place?



B **PAIR WORK** What do you need to do before you go? Discuss these topics.

shopping	documents	reservations
packing	money	vaccinations

A: I think we'd better buy new suitcases.

B: Good idea. And we should check the weather before we pack.

## 12 READING

A Skim the article. Match paragraphs A, B, and C to the photos.

# ADVENTURE VACATIONS

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A good vacation, for many people, means comfortable accommodations, a great atmosphere, and tasty food. It's a pleasant, relaxing experience. But for some, this type of vacation just isn't enough!

In today's world, many of us have safe, sometimes boring lives. We work, sleep, eat, and watch TV. So more and more people are looking for adventure. They want excitement and danger. They might even want to feel a little afraid!

A How about staying on a desert island in the middle of the Indian Ocean? If you want, you can spend your whole vacation completely alone. You'll sleep in a tent and go fishing for your food. Your only company will be the monkeys and lizards. But don't worry. If you get bored, just call the travel company and they'll send a boat to pick you up!

B Or how about spending a week in the sub-zero temperatures of the North? You will fly to the Arctic, and the local Sami people will teach you to survive in this very difficult environment. You'll learn how to keep yourself warm and make special snowshoes. You can also go ice-fishing and look after reindeer. You'll even learn how to tell when it is going to snow.

C But if the Arctic's too cold, you could try the heat of the jungle instead. Deep in the Amazon rain forest, you'll sleep in the open air. At first, you'll spend a week with local guides. They will train you to do many things, like find food and water or light fires with stones. They will even teach you to pick the tastiest insects for dinner! Then you'll spend a week by yourself with no tent, no extra clothes, and no cell phone. You'll be completely alone – except for the crocodiles and snakes, of course!



B Read the article. Then complete the summary using words from the article.

Nowadays, life can sometimes be a little boring. So, many people are searching for an exciting or dangerous 1) \_\_\_\_\_ during their vacations. Some people like the idea of visiting a desert island. There, they spend nights in a 2) \_\_\_\_\_ and look for fruit and other plants to eat. If they decide to go to the Arctic instead, they will walk around with unusual 3) \_\_\_\_\_ on their feet, and they'll have the experience of taking care of 4) \_\_\_\_\_. If they decide to choose a trip to the rain forest, they'll learn many things from 5) \_\_\_\_\_, and afterward, they'll live for a whole 6) \_\_\_\_\_ completely alone.

C Read the comments of people who are on one of these three trips.

Which vacation are they on? Write the letter.

1. "I know what the weather will be like tomorrow."
2. "I haven't seen anybody since the moment I arrived."
3. "My whole body is absolutely freezing!"
4. "I've learned so much these first seven days."
5. "I've had enough now! I'm going to call for help."
6. "I haven't eaten anything like this before!"

D **GROUP WORK** Which of these three vacations would you be prepared to try? Which would you refuse to go on? Why?