Part B: Take turns reading the following preferences and respond with an appropriate activity.

I want to relax	
I like music	
I want to experience the culture	
I want to do something active	
I love clothes	
I like nature	
I like swimming	
I want to do something exciting	
I want to sleep under the stars	

4 Listening comprehension: planning a weekend away

Part A: What is involved in planning a weekend away? Make a list of things you would need to organize before leaving.

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Part B: Listen to a couple planning a weekend away. Circle the activity they choose.



picture A



picture B



picture C

Part C: Listen again and tick the topics they discuss.

1. ☐ Choose a destination
2. ☐ Pick a date
3. ☐ Budget
4. ☐ Do research
5. ☐ Plan transport
6. ☐ Book accommodation
7. ☐ Plan activities/tours
8. ☐ Pack

5 Language point

Part A: Read the following sentences from the conversation. Choose the correct verb form.

1. Why don't we *go / to go / going* by train?
2. Let's *go / to go / going* to New York City.
3. We could *go / to go / going* to the beach.
4. What about *go / to go / going* to a spa?

Part B: What function do they express? Choose from the three options.

1. ☐ Making requests
2. ☐ Making suggestions.
3. ☐ Making predictions.

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6 Game: what is the suggestion?

What is the activity? Use a suggestion.



1. I'm not sure. I don't like insects, especially mosquitos.
2. No, it will be full of tourists.
3. That sounds good, I will dig out my boots.
4. Well, it will have to be window shopping as I have no money.
5. That's a good idea but I don't have a bike.
6. Why not? There are many landmarks I haven't seen.
7. I'm not sure. I am scared of heights.
8. That's a great idea, I can go surfing.

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7 Language point: responding to suggestions.

Tick the phrases used for accepting a suggestion.

- ☐ Sounds good.
- ☐ Why not?
- ☐ That's a good idea but ...
- ☐ That sounds good.
- ☐ I'm not sure...
- ☐ No...
- ☐ That's a great idea.
- ☐ I'd prefer...
- ☐ Great.
- ☐ Definitely!

8 Speaking practice

In groups, take turns picking up an activity card. Using the image, make a suggestion. The other students must respond by either accepting or declining.

9 Optional extension: roleplay

You are planning a weekend away. In pairs, using the topics below, make some suggestions for a weekend away.

Budget	*Research*	*Transport*
Accommodation	*Activities/tours*	*What to pack*

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