

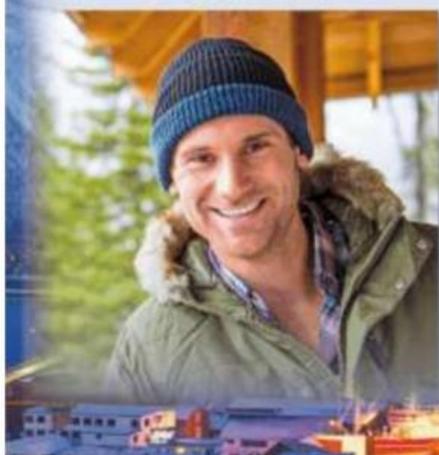
# UNIT 4, BEGINNER 1.

**B** Read the text. Match the headings in the box with paragraphs A–E.

Light and dark   Summer activities   Our daily routine   My city   Winter activities

## 24 hours of night – or day!

by Tom Sanders



**A** \_\_\_\_\_  
I'm from New York, but I now live in the north of Norway in a small city called Tromsø. I like living here. I have an interesting job, and I like the people.

**B** \_\_\_\_\_  
I work from 8:00 in the morning to 4:00 in the afternoon. I usually wake up at 8:00 and get up at 6:15. I take a shower and get dressed. At 6:45, I have breakfast and check my e-mails. I leave home at 7:15. My wife and children leave home at 8:00. The children start school at 8:30 and finish at 2:30. I get home at about 5:00.

**C** \_\_\_\_\_  
Our lives are different in the summer and the winter. In the summer, there are 60 days when the sun doesn't set. From May to July, it's light at midnight. And in the winter, we have 60 days of night. From November to January, it's dark at noon!

**D** \_\_\_\_\_  
It's very dark, but it's not a bad time of year. On the weekend, we spend time together as a family, or we go skiing. We sometimes see the Northern Lights at night. They're really beautiful.

**E** \_\_\_\_\_  
In the summer, we spend a lot of time outdoors. In the evening, we often have a barbecue on the beach and, on Friday nights, we sometimes go to outdoor concerts. In July, we go on vacation. We usually visit my family in New York and also spend some time with my wife's family in the mountains.

**5 A** Read about Tom's daughter, Mia. Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions.

- 1 I usually wake up \_\_\_\_\_ 5:45 on weekdays.
- 2 I swim \_\_\_\_\_ 6:30 \_\_\_\_\_ 7:30. \_\_\_\_\_ the weekend, I get up \_\_\_\_\_ the afternoon!
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_ Fridays and Saturdays, I go to bed late.
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_ the summer, I often go to concerts \_\_\_\_\_ night. They don't finish until 2:00 \_\_\_\_\_ the morning, but it's still light.

**B** 4.3 Listen and check your answers. What does Mia love doing? Do you enjoy this activity?

**7 A** Complete the sentences so that they are true for you. Write one false sentence.

- 1 I get up at \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 I work from \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 I \_\_\_\_\_ evenings.
- 4 I \_\_\_\_\_ the summer.
- 5 I don't \_\_\_\_\_ the weekend.

**3** Read the posts again. Answer the questions.

- 1 Do they like their apartment?
- 2 What's the weather like?
- 3 How do they travel around?
- 4 Do they like the food?



**a**  
We're going away for a long weekend. I'm so excited! We're sitting on the train, and we're waiting to leave for Paris on the Eurostar. I'm having a good time already!



**b**  
We're here. We're staying in a private apartment with a view of the city. It's so romantic!



**c**  
Today, we're visiting the Rodin Museum. We're walking around the beautiful gardens in the warm spring sunshine.



**d**  
Look, it's the Eiffel Tower! I feel like a real tourist. We're having a sandwich and waiting in line.



**e**  
I'm having a good time, but Pete isn't happy. We're going shopping on the Champs-Élysées. He's carrying my bags. I'm feeling hungry – time for lunch.



**f**  
We're at a lovely little restaurant. I'm having the steak! The weather's lovely and warm. What's Pete doing? He's trying to speak French to the waiter.



**g**  
It's late. We're tired, and we're taking a taxi back to the apartment after a great night out. The city lights are amazing!



**h**  
It's our last day. We're buying some food to take home. It's raining, but we don't mind.

**4** Match Pete's posts 1–8 with pictures a–h.

- 1 I'm looking for some French cheese as a present for my mom.
- 2 The weather's great. We're having a fun time at the museum.
- 3 We're going to Paris!
- 4 What a cool apartment! Charlotte's taking a shower, and I'm relaxing after the trip.
- 5 We're visiting a very famous monument. I want to take a selfie at the top.
- 6 I'm not enjoying this! I hate shopping!
- 7 We're going back to the apartment now. Fantastic night out!
- 8 Finally, I'm sitting down! What's for lunch?



- John \_\_\_\_\_ (listen) to music.
- Ann \_\_\_\_\_ (walk) in the street.
- Mr. Cardoso and Ms. Kean \_\_\_\_\_ (sit) on the tram.
- Dimitri \_\_\_\_\_ (play) the guitar.
- Paul \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a T-shirt.
- Adam and Suzanne \_\_\_\_\_ (talk) to each other. They \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (swim) in the swimming pool.
- Will \_\_\_\_\_ (throw) a paper to the bin.
- Adela \_\_\_\_\_ (sing) a song.

4. Complete the following questions.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Adela \_\_\_\_\_ (play) the guitar? \_\_\_\_\_, she \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Adam and Suzanne \_\_\_\_\_ (talk) to each other? \_\_\_\_\_, they \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ John \_\_\_\_\_ (listen) to music? \_\_\_\_\_, he \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Paul \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a postcard? \_\_\_\_\_, he \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Cardoso and Ms. Kean \_\_\_\_\_ (sit) on a tram? \_\_\_\_\_, they \_\_\_\_\_

