

### 3 Circle the correct words.

#### Family holidays: new and improved

As teenagers, we all remember <sup>1</sup> **going / to go** on holiday with our families. Our parents knew we didn't want <sup>2</sup> **spending / to spend** our summer break <sup>3</sup> **holidaying / to holiday** with them, but they made us <sup>4</sup> **doing / do** it anyway. They thought we were too young <sup>5</sup> **to stay / stay** at home alone and there was no point <sup>6</sup> **arguing / to argue** with them about it. These holidays were often a terrible experience for everyone involved because being seen with one's parents was simply not 'cool'. Well, I'm pleased <sup>7</sup> **saying / to say** that a UK travel company has managed <sup>8</sup> **to find / find** a way to improve the family holiday. What the company has discovered, not that it's ever been a secret, is that teens would rather <sup>9</sup> **to hang out / hang out** with their peers than with their parents. So, this travel agency has put together package holidays which let parents and teens <sup>10</sup> **fly / flying** to the holiday destination together, but once there, provide opportunities that allow teens <sup>11</sup> **do / to do** their own thing with children their own age. I can't help <sup>12</sup> **thinking / to think** it's a win-win situation. Teens can <sup>13</sup> **to keep / keep** their independence, parents are able to <sup>14</sup> **enjoy / enjoying** themselves without <sup>15</sup> **worrying / to worry** about what their children are up to ... it's difficult <sup>16</sup> **to find / find** anything wrong with that, isn't it?

**3 Complete the dialogues. Use the comparative form or the superlative form of the words in brackets.**

- 1 A: Who do you think will do \_\_\_\_\_ in the hotel's swimming competition? (well)  
B: Joey. He swims \_\_\_\_\_ anyone else at the resort. (well)
- 2 A: The employees at *World Travel* work \_\_\_\_\_ hours than the employees at *Travel Now*. (long)  
B: Maybe, but the employees at *World Travel* work \_\_\_\_\_ the employees at *Travel Now*. I had to wait three weeks to get my tickets last year! (slowly)
- 3 A: Self-catering accommodation is \_\_\_\_\_ expensive than a 5-star hotel. (little)  
B: True, but staying in a tent is \_\_\_\_\_ expensive of all. (little)
- 4 A: The Greek Islands are \_\_\_\_\_ in May than in December. (crowded)  
B: I agree. And they are \_\_\_\_\_ in July and August, which is peak season. (crowded)
- 5 A: What is \_\_\_\_\_ flight you've ever been on? (long)  
B: The one I took to Australia and it was \_\_\_\_\_ flight I've ever been on as well. (boring)
- 6 A: Is the beach in Dragonera \_\_\_\_\_ the one in Skala? (nice)  
B: Yes, but you have to travel \_\_\_\_\_ to get to it. (far)

**4 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word in bold. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.**

- 1 Times Square in New York is more popular with tourists than Trafalgar Square in London. **as**  
Trafalgar Square in London \_\_\_\_\_ with tourists as Times Square in New York.
- 2 We had expected it to snow more heavily on our skiing holiday. **less**  
It \_\_\_\_\_ we had expected on our skiing holiday.
- 3 I have more fun when the camp gets busier. **the**  
The busier \_\_\_\_\_ fun I have.
- 4 We've never met people more friendly than New Zealanders. **most**  
New Zealanders are \_\_\_\_\_ people we've ever met.
- 5 Two years ago a flight to Paris was €120. Last year it was €150. **and**  
Flights to Paris are getting \_\_\_\_\_ every year.
- 6 Going on a city break is lovely, and so is going on a short cruise. **as**  
Going on a city break \_\_\_\_\_ going on a short cruise.

