

The world is a book and those who do not travel read only one page.
Augustine of Hippo,
early Christian theologian



LIVEWORKSHEETS

c Replace the **bold** words and phrases in the sentences with words and phrases from a.

- 1 You won't find many locals there during the summer because the area is too **focused on attracting visitors**.
touristy
- 2 The town hall is **not grand or impressive** compared to the other buildings in the main square.

- 3 Don't bother going into that shop; all of the souvenirs are very **cheap and badly made**.

- 4 We stayed in a small town that was incredibly **boring** – there was absolutely nothing to do.

- 5 Some of our coastal areas have been **changed for the worse** by over-development.

- 6 I think the Seaview Hotel is **not nearly as good as the reviews said** – we were very disappointed.

- 7 Torremolinos in southern Spain is no longer the **old-fashioned, pretty** little fishing village it was in the 1950s.

- 8 We wanted to rent a quiet cottage **away from where people normally go**.

- 9 We rarely go to the beach in August because it's always **too full of people**.



d Complete the sentences with a verb from the list.

chill out extend get away go go on hit
postpone recharge sample set off soak up
wander round



- 1 You need to spend at least a week in Venice to really soak up the atmosphere.
- 2 We're broke this year, so we're going to _____ camping instead of staying in a hotel.
- 3 We're going to the mountains for the weekend to _____ from it all.
- 4 They're going to _____ their honeymoon until after Julia's mother has had the operation.
- 5 I prefer to _____ museums on my own rather than listening to a tour guide.
- 6 We decided to _____ our stay by two nights because we were having such a good time.
- 7 We _____ early in the hope that we would arrive in time for lunch.
- 8 While we're in Kenya, we'd like to _____ a safari.
- 9 As soon as we'd checked into the hotel, we made for the city centre to _____ the shops.
- 10 If you're feeling tired, perhaps you should take a few weeks off to _____ your batteries.
- 11 When we're abroad, we rarely cook for ourselves because we'd rather _____ the local cuisine.
- 12 For me, the main aim of a holiday is to _____ and forget about work for a while.

3 GRAMMAR expressing future plans and arrangements

a Circle the correct answer.



- 1 ____ in the hotel restaurant tonight, madam?
a Do you eat **b** Will you be eating
- 2 Our plane ____ in three quarters of an hour.
a is to take off **b** takes off
- 3 It is thought that management and employees are ____ an agreement that would prevent a strike.
a on the point of reaching **b** due to reach
- 4 From now on, I'm ____ my money instead of spending it all on clothes.
a about to save **b** going to save
- 5 Our new fridge ____ arrive tomorrow. Will you be at home in the morning?
a is due to **b** is about to
- 6 ____ to work next week because my car will be at the garage.
a I won't be driving **b** I don't drive
- 7 The neighbours have invited us round tonight because ____ a party.
a they have **b** they're having
- 8 The royal family are ____ Australia and New Zealand next month.
a to visit **b** on the point of visiting
- 9 Sorry, but ____ into a meeting. Can I call you back in half an hour?
a I'm about to go **b** I'm to go
- 10 ____ wash my car this morning, but it's raining, so I won't bother.
a I'm going to **b** I was going to

b Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first sentence. Write 2–5 words. Use the word in brackets.

- 1 Anna intends to have an early night tonight. (is)
Anna is going to have an early night tonight.
- 2 It's been arranged that the man will appear in court again in two weeks' time. (due)
The man _____ in court again in two weeks' time.
- 3 Who's picking me up from the station? (be)
Who _____ from the station?
- 4 I was about to look for a new job when I got promoted to head of department. (point)
I was _____ for a new job when I got promoted to head of department.
- 5 I'm catching the 12.15 bus to Seville tomorrow. (at)
My bus to Seville _____ 12.15 tomorrow.
- 6 They are going to hold the general election on 3rd March. (to)
The general election _____ on 3rd March.
- 7 I have arranged to take my husband for a surprise weekend to London in May. (taking)
I _____ for a surprise weekend to London in May.
- 8 The play is going to start very soon. (about)
The play _____.

c Use eight of the time expressions from the list to write sentences about your own future plans and arrangements.

in five years' time in two months' time next month
next summer next week next weekend next year
the day after tomorrow the week after next
tomorrow tonight

4 PRONUNCIATION homophones

8.2 Listen and circle the correct spelling of the word you hear in the sentences.

- 1 **a** board b bored
- 2 a caught b court
- 3 a fair b fare
- 4 a threw b through
- 5 a wait b weight
- 6 a brake b break
- 7 a sight b site
- 8 a peace b piece
- 9 a suite b sweet
- 10 a plain b plane