

Read rules 1–6 and the examples. Then complete the gaps with your own answers.

1 Yes answers consist of: Yes + subject + auxiliary verb or *be*.

Were you skiing when you fell? Yes, I was.

Are you sure? Yes, I am.

a *Do you enjoy going on holiday with your parents? _____*
b *Can you afford to go on holiday this year? _____*



Watch out

Don't use contracted forms in yes answers, e.g. *Yes, they've* (it should be *Yes, they have*).

2 You can use other words in short answers:

Yes, I certainly do.

Yes, we can; just about.

Of course I am.

I'm fairly sure she is.

Answer using some of the other words above.

a *Is your best friend keen on city breaks? – _____*
b *Would you like to win a free holiday? – _____*

3 You can also use other phrases:

Did your mum enjoy her holiday? – I believe so, yes. / I don't believe so.

Would you go back again? – Definitely (not).

Would you recommend it? – Without a doubt.

Answer using some of the other phrases above.

a *Do people in your country always have a holiday in the summer? – _____*
b *Is your town a good place to visit? – _____*

4 You can use *do*, *does*, *did* to respond to statements or questions with no auxiliary verb or non-auxiliary *be*:

So your sister likes action-packed holidays. – Yes, she does.

Many people prefer relaxing holidays. – I suppose they do.

a *So you often go on holiday with your family. – _____*
b *Most people like lying on a beach. – _____*

5 For no answers, we usually use the contracted form:

So, you didn't enjoy that holiday. – I didn't, no.

Has she got travel insurance? – No, she hasn't, unfortunately.

a *Are all your friends from your hometown? – _____*
b *Is your uncle going on holiday soon? – _____*

6 You can use other phrases to respond negatively:

*Is it hot in Norway in the spring? – I don't **think so**.*

*Do you enjoy camping? – No, **not really**.*

*Do the local people benefit from tourism? – I **doubt it**.*

Answer using some of the other phrases above.

a *Is it always hot in Austria? – _____*

b *Do the local inhabitants like the swarms of tourists? – _____*