

Winter Vacation

Akane and Howard talk about their winter vacations.

Akane's Vacation

Last year, I _____ to Portugal just after Christmas. And I _____ there until... well, just after New Year's this year. In Portugal, I _____ up with one of my friends from Toronto. He _____ family that _____ in Portugal, because his family _____ originally from Portugal.



So, they _____ kind enough to let me stay with them. I didn't know any Portuguese, except for some simple words like "hello", and "thank you". I _____ some simple words through an audio CD, before I _____ there. And the people that I _____ with didn't know very much English either. However, we _____ along surprisingly well.

They _____ surprised that I _____ able to eat some of their exotic foods. They _____ some delicious meals every single day, like octopus, tripe and rabbit. It is quite exotic, but I _____ it was quite good. They also _____ some excellent desserts, like crème caramel, and a rich sponge cake that they call Paon d'lo.

Howard's Vacation

OK, now I'll talk about my winter vacation. This winter vacation I _____ two weeks in my hometown which is Daytona Beach, Florida. It was wonderful. The weather _____ warm every day. It was sunny every day and the temperature _____ almost 80 degrees.

I _____ my mother and I _____ every morning having a nice leisurely cup of coffee and reading the newspaper and after that I _____ my bicycle out and _____ down to the beach and enjoyed the sun and the surf, and _____ back home and _____ a book and went to bed early.

I _____ a wonderful time. I _____ a couple of new movies, when I was home in Florida. I _____ The Aviator and also an interesting movie _____ Spanglish, which I hope you all can see because it's an interesting movie about English and the Spanish.

Challenge

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Quiz

1) Who went to Europe?

- a) He did
- b) She did
- c) They both did

2) Who took a bike ride?

- a) He did
- b) She did
- c) They both did

3) Who ate great food?

- a) He did
- b) She did
- c) They both did

4) Who had a great vacation?

- a) He did
- b) She did
- c) They both did

Match the question with the answers.

1. Where did you go?
2. What did you eat?
3. Who did you meet up with?
4. What did you do?
5. How long did you stay?

- a) I ate a delicious soup
- b) I went to ski
- c) I went to Canada
- d) I stayed there for two weeks
- e) I met up with my friends and my girlfriend