

Holidays: Phrases and Places

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Activity 1

Use the correct form of the following words and phrases to fill the gaps in the sentences below. Then make questions from the sentences and use them to begin a conversation with your partner.

to get away from it all scenery look round the shops packed
touristy sights places nightlife

1. I enjoy _____ when I go on holiday but I don't usually buy anything.
2. I think that a lot of _____ have become too _____. There are just too many tourists these days! The city centres and beaches are _____!
3. If I ever go to London I will visit all the famous _____.
4. I want _____ next time I go on holiday because I need to relax.
5. A busy _____ is important to me when I go on holiday because I love dancing.
6. I like going to places that have beautiful _____ because I like taking photos of it.

Activity 2

Match the countries in Column A with the capitals in Column B and famous national sights in Column C.

Column A

Italy _____
England _____
Egypt _____
Greece _____
Norway _____
China _____
Switzerland _____
India _____

Column B

Athens
New Delhi
Rome
Beijing
Cairo
Berne
London
Oslo

Column C

The Parthenon
The Fjords
The Tower of London
The Alps
The Taj Mahal
The Colisseum
The Pyramids
The Great Wall

Activity 3

From the list above, choose three countries which you are interested in visiting and three countries which you are not very interested in visiting. Explain your choices to your partner. Don't forget to include some of the vocabulary from Activity 1 in your conversation. Have you ever been on holiday to any of the countries in Activity 2? If so, describe your holiday(s) to your partner.

Activity 4

Read all the following questions then use them to begin a conversation with your partner.

1. Do you like going on cultural holidays, visiting art galleries and museums etc? Why/not?
2. Do you prefer staying in hotels or camping in campsites? Why?
3. Describe the best and the worst holidays you have ever had.
4. If you could go on holiday with anyone in the world, who would it be, where would you go, and what would you do together?
5. Would you like to be a tour guide? Why/not? What are the good and bad points of the job?

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