

3 ON HOLIDAY



FIRST HOLIDAYS WITH FRIENDS

Most of us can't wait to go on holiday without our parents. We can choose where to go, what to do and who to go with. But are first holidays with friends always great? Read about Sophie, Fred and Chris. Where did they go? Did they have a good time?

Last summer, after we finished our exams, I invited my friend Paula to go on holiday to Greece with me. We got a flight to Athens and then we went by ship to the island of Milos. We were really tired when we got there, but we both wanted a swim, so we went to the beach. You can guess! We lay down and closed our eyes and when we woke up TWO hours later, we were really hot and thirsty – and red! Never again! **Sophie, 16**

My first holiday was a weekend in London. Jim, Simon and I travelled by tram from my house to the bus station. When we arrived there, I put my hand in my pocket but my wallet wasn't there! Where was it? I think I lost it on the tram. Jim and Simon each lent me money for the coach. We stayed at Jim's aunt's house in London and we had a fantastic weekend. **Fred, 13**

My first holiday was with my friend Tom at a campsite in a forest near our town. We didn't want my parents to drive us there, so we went by bus and then on foot. It was a long walk to the forest and it was raining! I put the tent up quickly because I knew how to do it, but all our things were wet. Then the sun came out the next day. We dried everything and had a great time! **Chris, 12**



ABOUT YOU

- Where do you like going on holiday?
- How often do you go on holiday?
- Do you always go on holiday to the same place?
- How do you usually get there?

VOCABULARY AND READING

Holidays: Ways of travelling

1 Match the words in the box to photos A-K.

- by bike by boat by coach on foot
by helicopter by motorbike by plane
by scooter by ship by tram
by underground

1.8 Listen and check. Then repeat.

2 Decide whether each type of transport from Exercise 1 moves in the air, on land or in the water.

3 Read the article quickly and find out where Sophie, Fred and Chris went on holiday. How did each of them get there?

4 Read the article again and answer the questions

- 1 What does the article mean by 'first holidays'? *Because it's their first holidays with parents*
- 2 What did Sophie and Paula do when they arrived at the island? *They went to the beach*
- 3 What happened while they were sleeping? *They were tired.*
- 4 What did Fred lose? *He lost his wallet*
- 5 How did he pay for the coach? *Jim and Simon each lent him money*
- 6 What was the weather like when Chris and Tom were putting up the tent? *It was raining*

PRONUNCIATION Silent letters

5 In pairs, read the words aloud. Which are the silent letters?

- climb flight guess half
island knew two where

2.0 Listen and check. Then repeat.



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Speaking Part 2

- 6** Look at the photos A–K on page 20. Discuss the questions with your partner.
- Do you like these different ways of travelling? Why? / Why not?
 - Do you think riding a bike is difficult? Why? / Why not?
 - Do you think going in a boat or a ship is enjoyable? Why? / Why not?
 - Now tell your partner which of these ways of travelling you like best.
 - How do you like to travel when it's very hot?
 - Do you prefer going on holiday to the sea or in the mountains?

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GRAMMAR

Past simple

- 1** Underline the past simple forms in the sentences.

- Where did they go?
- Where was it?
- Did they have a good time?
- We closed our eyes.
- Jim, Simon and I travelled by tram to the bus station.
- My wallet wasn't there.
- My first holiday was with my friend Tom.
- We didn't want my parents to drive us, so we went by bus and then on foot.
- We dried everything.

Now answer these questions.

- Which past simple verbs are regular?
- Which past simple verbs are irregular?
- Which verb never has 'did' in questions and negatives?

- 2** Underline all the examples of the past simple in the article.

- 3** Complete the sentences using the past simple of the verb in brackets.

- Did you go (you / go) on holiday with your family last year?
- They didn't travel (not travel) by boat to the island because the weather was (be) bad.
- We wanted (want) to visit the museum, but we didn't have (not have) time.
- Did it arrive (the plane / arrive) on time?
- The holiday wasn't (not be) great, but I _____ (enjoy) the afternoons on the beach.
- _____ (you / be) in the mountains for the whole holiday?

- 4** Read questions a and b and complete the answers. Then answer questions 1–4.

- Who did Sophie invite to go on holiday with her? She invited _____ to go on holiday with her.
- Who lost his wallet? _____ lost his wallet.

- Which past simple question uses *did* + infinitive, a or b?
- What is the verb form in the other question?
- Is question a asking for information about the subject or object?
- Is question b asking for information about the subject or object?

- 5** Choose a or b for each question.

- Who did the boy see?
 - His mother saw him.
 - He saw his mother.
- Who saw the boy?
 - His mother saw him.
 - He saw his mother.

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- 6** Complete the sentences using the past simple of the verbs in brackets.

- What did you eat (eat) when you were on holiday in Italy?
- Who took (take) you to the airport?
- Where did you go (you / go camping) last summer?
- Who did buy (book) the flights, your mum or your dad?
- Who did go (you / go) on holiday with last summer?
- Who _____ (buy) you your new bike? Was it your parents?

- 7** Correct the mistakes in the sentences.

- I maked two new friends on my holiday.
- Sorry we couldn't meet yesterday. I go shopping and then cycling with my mum.
- It was a rainy day on Saturday, so I spendend the day at home.
- I watch TV and played on the computer yesterday evening.
- It was a pity you lefted the party early last Friday.

- 8** In pairs, ask and answer the questions.

- Where did you go on your last holiday?
- Who did you go with?
- How did you get there?
- What did you do there?
- What was the best thing you did? Why?

READING

- 1 Look at the photos of Moscow. Do you know any of these places? Read the text quickly and find out who visited which place.

TEEN TRAVEL TIPS ► MOSCOW

MONIQUE

Moscow is great for sightseeing! I took photos everywhere I went. The only problem was that I don't speak Russian, so it was hard to get a taxi, and I hate walking. My advice is to take some Russian lessons before you go. I went to the aquarium on my first day. I enjoyed it, but there were a lot of tourists. I preferred the quieter streets with little shops selling postcards and presents. After I got gifts for my friends, I didn't have much money left!

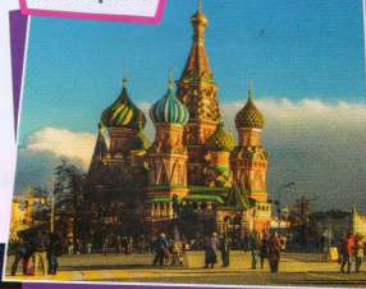
CARLA

The underground, or metro, is a great way to travel around, but too crowded for me. My favourite place was Red Square. The buildings are amazing. But don't spend all your time taking photos – I didn't. I bought postcards from the little shops. You don't need Russian. Everyone speaks English. Oh and I loved the street food and ate lots of it, but it wasn't cheap! The aquarium is fantastic. If you only go to one place, go there.

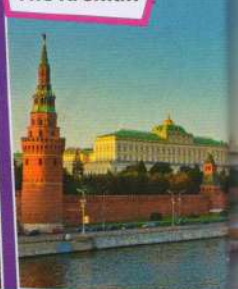
OLIVIA

My favourite place was Old Arbat, one of the oldest streets in Moscow. I wanted to get presents for my mum and dad, but all the shops had the same presents, so I didn't buy much. I mostly ate street food because it didn't cost much, and it was delicious. I went to the metro to look at the amazing stations, but I didn't travel on it. I went everywhere on foot. You see so much that way.

Red Square



The Kremlin



Old Arbat



Aquarium at VDNKh



Moscow Metro



Yuri Kuklachev Cat Theatre



PREPARE FOR THE EXAM

Reading Part 2

- 2 For each question, choose the correct answer. Write *M* for Monique, *C* for Carla or *O* for Olivia.

- Who thinks walking is the best way to travel around Moscow?
- Who found the street food in Moscow expensive?
- Who says it's important not to miss the aquarium?
- Who spent a lot of money on presents?
- Which person enjoyed visiting the metro?
- Who says you should learn some Russian before going?
- Who said it was better to buy postcards than to take photos?

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TALKING POINTS

In pairs, look at the photos of the six places in Moscow in Exercise 1. Discuss which ones you think look more interesting to visit.

VOCABULARY

Holiday vocabulary

- 1 Match the words in the box to the things in the photo A-E. There are three words for A. There are two words for D.

guest guidebook luggage map
receptionist suitcase tourist visitor



Listen and check. Then repeat.

2 Now complete the sentences with the words from the box in Exercise 1.

- 1 You can find the names of streets on a _____ of the city.
- 2 Millions of _____ visit Moscow every year.
- 3 It's always a good idea to buy a _____ to help you plan activities for your holiday.
- 4 I've only got one small _____ for all my clothes. I hope I can get everything in it.
- 5 We stayed in a really small hotel in Moscow. It only had room for eight _____.
- 6 We put all our _____ in the back of the taxi. We didn't want to have the bags on the seats.
- 7 When we arrived at the hotel, the _____ gave us our room key.
- 8 The Space Museum in Moscow has lots of _____ every year.

3 In pairs, ask and answer the questions.

- 1 How much luggage do you take with you on holiday?
- 2 Who packs your suitcase?
- 3 What do you put in your suitcase when you go on summer holidays?
- 4 Do you or your parents usually buy a guidebook when you go on holiday?
- 5 Do you use maps? When was the last time you used a map?
- 6 Do many tourists come to visit your town? What do they like to see?
- 7 What does a receptionist do?
- 8 Did you stay in a hotel on your last holiday? Did you like it?

LISTENING

1 Look at the photo in Vocabulary Exercise 1. In pairs, discuss the questions.

- 1 What can you see?
- 2 Who are the people?
- 3 What are they doing?

2 Listen to the conversation between John, a student on holiday in Moscow with his parents, and the hotel receptionist and check your ideas.

Why is John speaking to the receptionist?

3 Listen again. Are the sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- 1 John is an only child.
- 2 John wants to look around the city in the afternoon.
- 3 The tourist information centre is a long way from the hotel.
- 4 The receptionist hasn't got an underground map.
- 5 John thinks taxis are faster than the underground.
- 6 John forgot his bag.
- 7 The guest before John had several suitcases.
- 8 There is a lift in the hotel.

SPEAKING

- 1** John phones the tourist information centre for some more information. Listen to his conversation. What are John and his family going to do that day?
- 2** Listen again and repeat the phrases from the conversation.

John: Can you give me some information about the space museum, please?

Clerk: Yes, certainly. The museum's near the centre, and you can book online. You'll really enjoy it.

John: That's perfect. Thanks.

Clerk: It's the best way to learn about the history of our country.

John: That's a really good idea. Oh, by the way, have you got any information about the Kremlin?

Clerk: Yes, of course. It's all on our website. Have a good day.

3 In pairs, choose a city you both know. What four places would tourists like to visit in this city? Role-play a conversation at a tourist information centre. Use phrases from Exercise 2 to help you.

4 Make questions. Then in pairs, ask and answer them using the information below.

- 1 address?
- 2 open every day?
- 3 what time / close?
- 4 how much / drinks?
- 5 web address?

**TOURIST
INFORMATION CENTRE**

24 Green Street

Monday – Saturday

Hours: 9 am – 5 pm

Coffee, tea and juice: 50p

Come in for maps and a chat.

Visit: www.tourvisit.com



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VOCABULARY

Holidays: Ways of travelling

1 Complete the transport words with the missing vowels.

1 pl__n__

5 h__l__c__pt__r

9 sh__p

2 b__k__

6 __n f__t

10 tr__m

3 b__t

7 m__t__rb__k__

11 __nd__rgr__nd

4 c__ch

8 sc__t__r

2 Complete the table with the words in Exercise 1.

What kind of transport travels ...

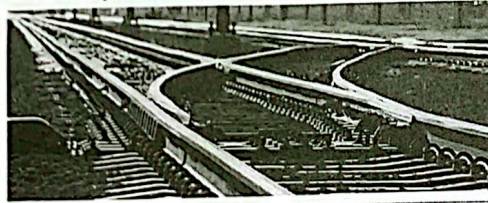
on the sea?



on a road or path?



on a railway line or track?



in the sky?



plane

3 Match the sentence halves.

1 I need exercise so I go to school _____

2 My dad drives me to school, but we don't have a car. I go to school _____

3 I sail from my home to school across a river. I go to school _____

4 I live very near one of the stations so I go to school _____

5 There are too many cars on the roads, and I often dream of flying to school _____

a by underground.

b by helicopter!

c by motorbike.

d by bike or on foot.

e by boat.

GRAMMAR

Past simple

1 Complete the sentences with the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

1 The train to London _____ (be) really fast.

2 Martin's family _____ (go) to Paris by coach because it was the cheapest way.

3 Jane was only 15 but she _____ (know) more than most adults about computers.

4 How _____ you _____ (get) to Moscow?

5 _____ (be) Tom in Ankara or in Istanbul last week?

6 We _____ (not have) a good time on our holiday because we were all ill.

7 There _____ (not be) any trams yesterday because it snowed.

2 Complete the article with the past simple form of the verbs in the box.

arrive be do not stop spend
start travel visit wait

Graham's Big Adventure

Between 2009 and 2012, Graham Hughes
 0 visited all the countries in the world. At that
 time, there 1 _____ 201 countries. There are
 now only 195. Graham 2 _____ this without
 taking a flight. He 3 _____ by boat, bus and
 train, by taxi and on foot, and he 4 _____
 \$100 a week on his journey. He 5 _____
 his amazing journey on New Year's Day 2009. It was
 sometimes very difficult. He often 6 _____
 for weeks for a boat. But Graham 7 _____,
 and on Monday 26th November 2012, the 1,426th day
 of his journey, he 8 _____ in the last country:
 South Sudan. Graham is the only person
 to see every country in
 the world without
 taking a flight.



3 Correct the mistakes in the sentences.

- 1 I went to Mar del Plata. I have a lovely day.

- 2 Last night I forgot my history book in your house.

- 3 I went shopping yesterday. I brought a very nice
 skirt and a sweater.

- 4 I liked the weather last week because it is hot.

4 Which past simple questions need the word *did*?

- 0 Who _____ wanted to climb the
 old tower?
 1 Who _____ you see on the plane?
 2 Who _____ you go on holiday with?
 3 Who _____ flew the plane?
 4 Who _____ you meet at the hotel?
 5 Who _____ found the bags?
 6 Who _____ spoke to the passengers?

VOCABULARY

Holiday vocabulary

1 Put the letters in the correct order to make holiday words. The first letter is given.

- | | |
|---------------------------|---------|
| 1 p m a | m _____ |
| 2 s t e g u | g _____ |
| 3 t r o i s v i | v _____ |
| 4 s c u a i s t e | s _____ |
| 5 g e u l g a g | l _____ |
| 6 p r t c i e i o s e t n | r _____ |
| 7 s u t r o i t | t _____ |
| 8 u d o g i k e b o | g _____ |

2 Complete the text with words in Exercise 1.

Highland Hotel

Dear 1 _____,

Welcome to your room at the Highland Hotel!
 We hope you enjoy staying here.

Everything you need is here at the hotel:
 two excellent restaurants, two pools and an
 exercise room.

You will find the rooms are large, with extra
 space for all your 2 _____ in the
 cupboard next to the bathroom.

Please also remember that 3 _____ s
 to the museum and the theatre get a 25%
 discount if they are staying with us. We can
 give you a 4 _____ of the town so
 you can easily find these places.

You will also find a small 5 _____
 with information about other local tourist
 attractions in your room.

Please phone the 6 _____ if there
 is anything else you need. He or she will be
 happy to help.

From

The Highland Hotel staff team

READING

1 Read the article quickly. What is unusual about this bookshop?

Visiting the *Libreria Acqua Alta* bookshop in Venice

Three young visitors tell us why they liked this unusual place

Elena

The bookshop belongs to Luigi Frizzo. His ideas for the shop are great. During the winter, the sea enters many of the buildings in Venice. But Luigi's books don't get wet because he keeps them in boats and baths instead of bookcases! And not all the books are for people to buy. Old textbooks and dictionaries are now pieces of furniture and art. There are also books on top of each other to make some stairs. I loved climbing up them to the roof and looking out over the city.

Rosie

Last May, I spent a week in Venice with my parents and walked around the city every day. One day, we saw the *Libreria Acqua Alta*, or 'High Water Bookshop' in English. Outside, it looked like other bookshops. We went in because I wanted a map. We then saw it was very different. It wasn't tidy, but was full of wonderful things: thousands of books and about ten friendly cats! This bookshop was my favourite place in Venice.

Christina

I visited *Libreria Acqua Alta* one morning in June and I loved it. Many visitors in the shop felt the same as me. I spoke to a lot, and they were not only tourists. Local families enjoy visiting the shop too because it is so different, and you can find every kind of book there. Luigi Frizzo owns the shop, and he was there that morning. He took me to see the building's fire exit. It was very funny – the door just opens onto the water!

PREPARE FOR THE EXAM

Reading Part 2

2 For each question, choose the correct answer. Write *E* for Elena, *R* for Rosie or *C* for Christina.

- 1 Which person met Luigi Frizzo? _____
- 2 Which person explains why she entered the shop? _____
- 3 Which person describes how books stay dry in the bookshop? _____
- 4 Which person says what kind of people go to the shop? _____
- 5 Which person explains what the name of the bookshop means? _____
- 6 Which person saw some books that weren't for sale? _____
- 7 Which person describes how books are part of the building? _____

EXAM TIPS

- Look to see if the writer says the same things in a different way.
- The questions do not follow the order of information in the text.

LISTENING

1 Listen to the conversation between Ross and an assistant in the tourist information office. Match the people to the things they like.

- | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| 1 Ross's mum likes _____ | a football |
| 2 Ross's sister likes _____ | b music |
| 3 Ross likes _____ | c art |
| 4 Ross's dad likes _____ | d old buildings |

2 Listen again and choose the correct answers.

- 0 In Liverpool, there are two cathedrals / is one cathedral.
- 1 Ross likes the idea of the long / short boat trip.
- 2 You can visit Liverpool Football Club from 10.00 / 10.30 in the morning.
- 3 The woman says The Beatles were fantastic / famous.
- 4 Tate Liverpool has modern art / art from every century.
- 5 The assistant gives Ross information about transport / theatres.

WRITING

Description of a tourist attraction

1 Read the information about the Basilica Cistern. Then match the parts of the text A-E to the headings below.

- | |
|--|
| 1 Details about times and prices _____ |
| 2 Where to go to learn more _____ |
| 3 What this place is _____ |
| 4 Where it is _____ |
| 5 Why you should go there _____ |

2 Write about an interesting tourist attraction that you know or would like to visit. Include the same information as the text in Exercise 1.

Hotels
Places to visit
Restaurants
Things to do

If you go to Istanbul, one place you must visit is the Basilica Cistern. **(A)** It is a large area (9,800 m²) under the ground for keeping water. It is around 1,500 years old. **(B)** It is a great place to visit because it is so different to other tourist attractions. It also shows that there were some very good engineers and builders at that time. **(C)** It is open every day from 9.00 in the morning until 5.30 in the evening. Entrance costs 20 Turkish lira. **(D)** It is on Yerebatan Street in the centre of Istanbul. **(E)** You can get further information in English or Turkish on its website.

