

## A

## Types of holidays



adventure holiday



skiing holiday



family holiday



beach holiday



go on a cruise



city break

## B

## Online booking

Many people book their holiday **accommodation**<sup>1</sup> on the Internet. To **book online**<sup>2</sup>, you need to search for your **destination**<sup>3</sup> and the dates when you plan to travel. You can look for hotels or **B&Bs**<sup>4</sup>. Often websites have low prices, especially in winter. It is helpful to read the online **reviews**<sup>5</sup> before you book the accommodation. A popular option for a **weekend break**<sup>6</sup> is to rent an apartment in an interesting city. But if you want to make life easy, you might like a **package holiday**, which includes the flight, hotel room and sometimes meals.

<sup>1</sup> a place where you stay

<sup>2</sup> to make a reservation using the Internet

<sup>3</sup> a place where you plan to travel

<sup>4</sup> bed and breakfast: a small hotel where breakfast is included in the price

<sup>5</sup> a description of a hotel, restaurant, etc, written by people who've been there

<sup>6</sup> a short holiday during a weekend

## C

## Renting a private apartment

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Reply Forward

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To Irene Sanders x

From Oliver Weiss x

[CC](#) [BCC](#)

11:02 AM (2 hours ago)

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Subject Re: Apartment with mountain view

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Dear Irene,

We have arrived at your apartment. We **picked up**<sup>1</sup> the keys from the neighbours without any problems. We like the apartment a lot, but we have a few questions. We can't find the **wi-fi password**<sup>2</sup>. Could you send it to us? Also, the **listing**<sup>3</sup> said that there was an **iron**<sup>4</sup> in the kitchen, but we can't see it. Can you let us know where it is? Finally, it's very cold and we can't find the instructions for the **central heating**<sup>5</sup>. Where do we **switch it on**<sup>6</sup>?

Where's the **nearest** supermarket? And can you **recommend**<sup>7</sup> a **nearby**<sup>8</sup> restaurant for dinner? Somewhere cheap would be great!

All the best,  
Oliver and Jo

<sup>1</sup> collect

<sup>2</sup> a secret group of letters and numbers, for connecting to wireless Internet

<sup>3</sup> written description of something to buy or rent

<sup>4</sup> a small machine that makes clothes smooth and flat

<sup>5</sup> a system that keeps a building warm

<sup>6</sup> make it start working

<sup>7</sup> say something is good

<sup>8</sup> not far

# Exercises

## 46.1 Match the holiday types on the left with their descriptions on the right.

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|---------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| 1 a cruise          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | a a holiday where there are activities for children as well as adults                                  |
| 2 beach holiday     | <input type="checkbox"/>            | b a winter holiday in the mountains  |
| 3 skiing holiday    | <input type="checkbox"/>            | c a holiday where you sleep on a boat and travel from one place to another                             |
| 4 adventure holiday | <input type="checkbox"/>            | d a short holiday where you visit a city   |
| 5 family holiday    | <input type="checkbox"/>            | e a holiday where you stay near the sea  |
| 6 city break        | <input type="checkbox"/>            | f an unusual, exciting holiday, possibly with some danger, e.g. rock climbing or walking in the jungle |

## 46.2 Complete the dialogues with words from B.

RUTH: Shall we book somewhere for our <sup>1</sup> *weekend* ..... break?

HARRY: What about this hotel? It has great <sup>2</sup> ..... online. Five stars!

RUTH: I'd prefer somewhere a bit smaller, with breakfast included.

HARRY: OK, here's a nice <sup>3</sup> ..... in the countryside.

HANS: Have you found any <sup>4</sup> ..... yet?

PAULA: Yes, I've booked a four-star hotel in the city centre.

HANS: Was it very expensive?

PAULA: No, it was part of a <sup>5</sup> ....., so the hotel was included in the price.

## 46.3 Circle the words from B and C to complete each sentence.

- Many travellers prefer to book take their holiday online, rather than on the phone.
- Spain is a popular holiday *accommodation / destination* among British holiday-makers.
- If you book a package *holiday / weekend break*, you don't have to book flights separately.
- The apartment *listing / password* doesn't say if it has wi-fi or not. We'll have to email them.
- The *central heating / iron* is broken and Sara's clothes are all creased.
- The house has *listing / central heating*, so it is warm all through the winter months.

## 46.4 Look at C opposite. Correct the mistakes.

- When you arrive, you can pick out the keys from the reception desk. *up* .....
- I recommence renting a car, as public transport is not very good. ....
- The nearer train station is a five minute walk away. ....
- The wi-fi passport is written on a piece of paper next to the computer. ....
- I like staying in this area. There are quite a few nice cafés nearby. ....
- To switch out the air conditioning, press this button. ....

## 46.5 Over to you

Answer these questions. If possible, compare your answers with someone else.

- What type of holiday from A do you prefer?
- Do you read hotel reviews before you book online?
- Where do you like to stay when you travel: in a hotel, in a B&B or in a private apartment?

### 46.1

2. e
3. b
4. f
5. a
6. d

### 46.2

2. reviews
3. B&B (or bed and breakfast)
4. accommodation
5. package holiday

### 46.3

2. destination
3. package holiday
4. listing
5. iron
6. central heating

### 46.4

2. recommend
3. nearest
4. password
5. nearby
6. switch on

### 46.5

*Your own answers*