

Travel and transport

8.1 I went to ...

GOALS ■ Talk about holidays ■ Ask questions using the past simple

Vocabulary & Speaking talking about holidays

1a What kind of holidays do you like? Tick (✓) the options that are true for you.

- staying in your own country
- going to another country
- going on a city break
- staying in the countryside
- going on a beach holiday
- going with a group of friends
- going with family
- going on your own

b Compare your answers with a partner.

2a Complete texts 1–3 about different holidays with the words in the boxes.

1 the beach an apartment
swimming

2 museums lost a tour the town
art galleries

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The beach lover

I love lazy holidays. I normally rent ¹ _____ by the sea with my family. We lie on ² _____ most of the day and go ³ _____ in the sea. For me, the most important thing to do on holidays is to relax and have fun.

THE CITY BREAKER

For me, holidays are about culture and I enjoy visiting all the ⁴ _____ and ⁵ _____. Sometimes I go on ⁶ _____ with a guide because it's a great way to learn about a place and its history. I also like going out on my own and looking around ⁷ _____ without a map. I always get ⁸ _____, but I think it's the best way to find interesting places.

3 sightseeing local people trek cheap hotels

BLOG ABOUT CONTACT

THE BACK PACKERS

We stay in ⁹ _____ and guest houses, and travel by public transport, so we can meet ¹⁰ _____. We don't go ¹¹ _____. We prefer to ¹² _____ in the mountains and visit places that tourists don't often see.

3a Work with a partner. Match beginnings 1–6 to endings a–f to make questions about holidays.

- 1 Do you like lying
 - 2 Do you visit
 - 3 Do you usually take a map or
 - 4 Do you like going on
 - 5 Do you prefer to stay
 - 6 Do you ever stay in
- a a tour of places you visit?
 - b do you get lost?
 - c in a hotel or rent an apartment?
 - d on the beach?
 - e expensive hotels?
 - f art galleries and museums?

b 8.2))) Listen, check and repeat.

c Ask and answer the questions with your partner. Give more information.

- A *Do you like lying on the beach?*
B *Yes, I do. I like reading a book, but I enjoy playing beach volleyball, too.*



b 8.1))) Listen and check your answers.

c Work with a partner. Which person is most like you? Why?

Grammar & Listening past simple questions



- 4 Work with a partner. Look at the map and photos of Guatemala. Answer the questions.
- 1 What do you know about Guatemala?
 - 2 What can you do and see there?

- 5a 8.3))) Listen to Tom talking to his friend Katie about his trip to Guatemala. Tick (✓) the things he mentions.
- ruined temples
 - Lake Atitlán
 - the mountains
 - Pacaya volcano
 - Antigua
 - lying on the beach
 - trekking
 - a Mayan city

- b Match Katie's questions 1–6 to Tom's answers a–f.
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| 1 Why did you go there? | a About six weeks. |
| 2 Whereabouts in Guatemala did you go? | b Yes, I did, but I met lots of local people. |
| 3 What did you do and see? | c I visited the whole country. |
| 4 How long did you stay? | d No, mostly guest houses. |
| 5 Did you stay in hotels? | e I went on lots of tours and I went trekking. |
| 6 Did you go on your own? | f Because it's a really interesting country. |

- c 8.4))) Listen and check your answers.
- 6 Work with a partner. Read the Grammar focus box and complete the rules.



ruined temple in the Mayan city of Tikal



Lake Atitlán



Antigua, the historic capital of Guatemala

GRAMMAR FOCUS past simple questions and short answers

Questions with a question word
 Question word + ¹ _____ + subject + infinitive without *to*?
What did you do and see?

Yes/No questions
² _____ + ³ _____ + infinitive without *to*?
Did you stay in hotels?

With *yes/no* questions, we usually use short answers with the auxiliary *did* or *didn't*.
Did you go on your own? Yes, I did./No, I didn't.

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- 7a Work with a partner. Put the words in the correct order to make questions.
- 1 did / on your / Where / go / last holiday / you ?
Where did you go on your last holiday?
 - 2 go with / a friend / you / Did ?
 - 3 you / did / do / What ?
 - 4 you / Did / a good time / have ?
 - 5 How / did / long / you / stay ?
 - 6 did / Where / you / stay ?
 - 7 Did / the food / like / you ?

- b 8.5))) Listen and check your answers.

PRONUNCIATION *did* in past simple questions

8.6))) In past simple questions, *did* + pronoun subject is usually unstressed.
 We pronounce *did you* /dɪdʒə/, and *did he* /dɪdi/.

- 8 8.7))) Listen and notice the stressed and weak sounds.

- 1 How long did you stay?
 /dɪdʒə/
- 2 Did you like the food?
 /dɪdʒə/
- 3 Did he stay in hotels?
 /dɪdi/

- 9a **TASK** Work with a partner. Take turns to ask and answer the questions in exercise 7a about your last holiday.
- b How different were your holidays?

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