

## Activity Type

Vocabulary Exercises: gap-fill, matching, unscrambling, writing answers

Speaking Activity: role-play, guided discussion (pair work)

## Focus

Holiday vocabulary

Holiday descriptions and questions

## Aim

To learn and practice holiday vocabulary and questions.

## Preparation

Make one copy of the two-page worksheet for each student.

## Level

Intermediate (B1)

## Time

40 minutes

## Introduction

In this holiday vocabulary worksheet, students learn and practice words and questions related to holidays.

## Procedure

Give each student a copy of the two-page worksheet.

Students start by completing an email about a holiday with words and phrases from a box.

Exercise A - Answer key

- |               |                      |                |
|---------------|----------------------|----------------|
| 1. resort     | 8. hot tub           | 15. expensive  |
| 2. great time | 9. arrived           | 16. booked     |
| 3. weather    | 10. flight           | 17. rates      |
| 4. beach      | 11. checked in       | 18. in advance |
| 5. swim       | 12. sightseeing      | 19. check out  |
| 6. outdoor    | 13. nearby           | 20. leave      |
| 7. relax      | 14. local restaurant |                |

Students then match holiday vocabulary from the email to definitions.

Exercise B - Answer key

1. g 2. f 3. d 4. i 5. j 6. a,  
7. c 8. l 9. k 10. b 11. e 12. h

Next, students unscramble words to make questions about holidays and then answer the questions using the information from the email.

Exercise C - Answers and possible replies.

- Matteo: Where did you go on holiday?  
Monica: I went to the beach.
- Matteo: Where did you stay?  
Monica: I stayed at the Club Wonderful Resort.
- Matteo: Who did you go with?  
Monica: I went with my family.
- Matteo: When did you go on holiday?  
Monica: I went on holiday on the 1st of July.
- Matteo: How was the weather?  
Monica: The weather was sunny and hot.
- Matteo: What did you do on holiday?  
Monica: I went sightseeing, etc.

After that, students role-play a conversation using the questions and answers. When the students have finished, they use the same questions to ask their partner about their last holiday.

**A. Complete the email about a holiday with the words and phrases from the box.**

flight	booked	outdoor	rates	arrived	great time	nearby
in advance	weather	sightseeing	leave	resort	expensive	checked in
swim	hot tub	check out	beach	relax	local restaurant	

Hi Maria,

My family and I are at the Club Wonderful (1) ....., and we are having a (2) .....! The (3) ..... is sunny and hot, and the (4) ..... is a two-minute walk from our hotel room. If we don't want to walk that far, we can (5) ..... in the (6) ..... pool. We can also (7) ..... in the (8) ..... The hotel staff are also very friendly.

We (9) ..... here on the 1st of July. Our (10) ..... was late, so we got here at night. We (11) ..... at our hotel at about 11pm. Everything is very clean and new here. Yesterday morning, we went to the beach. In the afternoon, we went (12) ..... in a (13) ..... town. In the evening, we had dinner at a (14) ..... It was very (15) ....., but the food tasted delicious. We want to try the hotel restaurant next.

I like this hotel. We (16) ..... our rooms a week ago, so we didn't get the best (17) ..... You need to book a few months (18) ..... to get cheaper prices.

We need to (19) ..... by 11am on Sunday, so we're going to go sightseeing again on Sunday afternoon before we (20) ..... Tomorrow, we're going to spend the day at the beach.

I miss you.

Monica



**B. Match the holiday vocabulary from the email to the definitions.**

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|----------------------|---|
| 1. book .....        | a. a large tub or small pool of hot water to sit in |
| 2. check in .....    | b. a place where people go for a holiday            |
| 3. check out .....   | c. before another time                              |
| 4. flight .....      | d. settle your hotel bill before leaving            |
| 5. sightseeing ..... | e. belonging to a particular area or neighbourhood  |
| 6. hot tub .....     | f. arrive and register at a hotel or airport        |
| 7. in advance .....  | g. reserve something, such as a hotel room.         |
| 8. nearby .....      | h. rest so as to become less tired or anxious       |
| 9. rates .....       | i. the noun for <i>fly</i> ; a trip on an airplane  |
| 10. resort .....     | j. visit interesting or famous places               |
| 11. local .....      | k. prices to pay for something                      |
| 12. relax .....      | l. not far away                                     |

**C. Monica is back from her holiday. Her friend Matteo is asking her questions about her holiday. Unscramble the words to make questions. Then, write Monica's answers.**

1. on / go / holiday / you / did / where

Matteo: .....?

Monica: .....

2. stay / you / did / where

Matteo: .....?

Monica: .....

3. go / did / with / who / you

Matteo: .....?

Monica: .....

4. holiday / go / you / when / on / did

Matteo: .....?

Monica: .....

5. the / how / weather / was

Matteo: .....?

Monica: .....

6. do / holiday / on / what / you / did

Matteo: .....?

Monica: .....

**D. Now, role-play the conversation between Matteo and Monica with a partner. When you have finished, use the same questions to ask your partner about their last holiday.**