

ESL Brains

Going on holiday

1. Say how the items in the pictures are related to holidays.

EXAMPLE: *When you are going on holiday you need to take some **luggage** with you, for example a suitcase in which you put your clothes.*



luggage



tickets



map



camera



bottle of water

2. In each pair, choose the option you prefer and explain why you prefer it.

EXAMPLE: going on holiday to the mountains OR going on holiday to the beach

I prefer going to the beach because I like spending time in the sun and relaxing. I like going to the mountains, too, because there are nice views, but I don't like hiking.

going on holiday to
a big city

or

going on holiday to
a small town

going on holiday in the
summer

or

going on holiday in the
winter

spending a holiday in
your own country

or

spending a holiday in
a foreign country

trying local food

or

eating food that you
know/like

going on holiday by
plane or train

or

going on holiday by car

3. Watch a [video](https://youtu.be/o6pm5zyOUnE) [https://youtu.be/o6pm5zyOUnE] about things to see and do in Australia and say which two you would like to see or do the most.

4. Imagine you are going on a fully paid, two-week holiday to Australia. For each question, choose the option you would prefer the least. Explain your choice.

- Who are you going with?
 - family
 - colleagues
 - by myself
- Where are you going to stay?
 - at a campsite
 - in a shared apartment
 - on a farm
- Where are you going to spend a lot of time?
 - at the beach
 - in cities
 - in the mountains
- What are you going to do?
 - sunbathe all day
 - visit all the museums
 - water sports
- What are you going to buy?
 - a magnet in the shape of a kangaroo
 - a key ring with a koala on it
 - an 'I love Sydney' T-shirt
- Which weather problem will you have to deal with?
 - very hot weather
 - a lot of rain
 - very cold weather



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5. Look at the photos and discuss the points below.



- Say what problems you think the tourists in the photos have.
- Say if something similar has happened to you on holiday.
- Decide what each of the tourists is probably saying or thinking.
- Decide what the tourists in the photos should do.

6. Look at what some tourists say and explain what problems they might have.

EXAMPLES: Could you help me find my luggage, please?

The tourist has lost their luggage.

Excuse me! Where is the nearest pharmacy?

The tourist has a stomachache.

- A. Could you speak more slowly, please?
- B. Could I have a clean towel, please?
- C. Excuse me! Where is the nearest police station?
- D. Could you help me with my luggage, please?
- E. Could I use your phone, please?
- F. Excuse me! Where is the American Embassy?
- G. Could I get a glass of cold water, please?

Embassy:

An office where officials representing other countries work. You can go there if you have problems in a foreign country.

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7. Imagine you are a tourist in the situations below. Think who could help you, and ask this person for help using one of the phrases in the box. Then, choose one situation and continue the dialogue in pairs.

EXAMPLE: You would like to try some local food but you don't eat meat.

I think a waiter at a restaurant could help me.

Student A (customer): *I'd like to try some local food. **Could you** help me choose a dish without meat in it, **please**?*

Student B (waiter): *Sure, no problem. We have some vegetable dishes, too. For example, vegetable soup or rice with vegetables.*

Student A (customer): *Thanks! I'll have the soup. And do you have any vegan desserts?*

Student B: (waiter): *No, we don't. I'm sorry.*

- A. The bed in your room is very small.
- B. The shop assistant only speaks the local language, which you don't understand.
- C. You have lost your passport.
- D. You don't have internet access.
- E. You fell and broke your arm in a park.
- F. You want to take a bus but you don't know where to buy the tickets.

Could you..., please?

Could I..., please?

Excuse me! Where...?