



TRAVEL AND VACATION

Discussion

Basic questions

1 Many people like to travel during their school breaks or vacations, and these trips might include a visit to a nearby location or a place overseas. What about you? What places have you been?

**I've been to....*

2 Talk about your experience about these places?

**My experiences were...*

3 Are you planning on going anywhere for your next vacation?

**Yes, I am... / No, I'm not...*

a. If so, where?

b. Who with?

c. How long will you stay?

4 Talk about your dream vacation. Where and why?

**My dream vacation is in....*

5 Do you prefer to travel alone or in a group?

**I prefer travelling...because....*

6 What do you prepare before travelling?

**I prepare some of my...before travelling.*

Extended questions

1 Have you ever been in a difficult situation while travelling?

**Yes, I've been in a difficult situation... / No, I've never been in...*

2 Why has travel become more popular?

**Travel has become more popular because...*

3 What place would you recommend foreigners to visit in your country? Why?

**I'd recommend them to visit....in my country.*

4 What things should foreigners consider when travelling in your country?

**Foreigners should consider...when visiting in our country because...*

5 Which is best to travel, peak or lean (off peak) season and why?

**The best season to travel is...because...*

6 What do you consider when choosing a place to travel?

**I'd consider...when choosing a place to travel.*

Vocabulary

1 guided tour (n) /'gaidid tuə/

if someone takes you on a guided tour, they show you around a place of interest and tell you all about it.

Ex. You will be taken on a guided tour of the palace.

2 package holiday /'pækidʒ 'hɒlidei/

(n) a tour arranged by a travel agent; transportation and food and lodging are all provided at an inclusive price

Ex. I'm looking for a package holiday.

3 journey (n) /'dʒɜ:.ni/

the act of travelling from one place to another, especially in a vehicle.

Ex. I love going on long journeys.

4 cruise (n) /kru:z/

a journey on a large ship for pleasure, during which you visit several places

Ex. We enjoy going on a cruise this summer.

5 accommodation (n) /ə,kɒmə'deɪʃn/

a place to sleep and related amenities for a temporary use of traveler.

Ex. We had a great accommodation while on vacation in the USA.

6 book sth (v) /buk/

list sth, make a reservation

Ex. I want to book a room in Hilton Hotel.

7 peak season (n) /pi:k 'si:zn/

in the tourist industry, the period of highest demand

***lean season/ off peak season (opposite)**

Ex. It's difficult to book a hotel during the peak season.

8 breathtaking (adj) \ 'breth- tã-kin\

magnificent, beautiful

Ex. I love to see breathtaking sceneries.

Grammar

Present Perfect Tense

FORM: has/have + past participle

USE : Unspecified Time Before Now



EXAMPLES:

I have seen that movie twenty times.

I think I have met him once before.

You can use the Present Perfect to describe your experience. It is like saying, "I have the experience of..." You can also use this tense to say that you have never had a certain experience. The Present Perfect is NOT used to describe a specific event.

Ex. I have been to France.

(This sentence means that you have had the experience of being in France.

Maybe you have been there once, or several times.)

Ex. I have been to France three times.

(You can add the number of times at the end of the sentence.)

Idioms / Useful Expressions

1 on one's own – Alone, by oneself; without the companionship or assistance of others.

Ex. I travelled on my own quite a lot last year.

2 hit the road - When you hit the road, you begin a journey.

Ex. It's getting late and we've got a long way to go. Let's hit the road.

3 kick back - relax, rest

Ex. While I'm on vacation, I just want to kick back and enjoy the sun.