

Holiday Mode (Present Continuous)

Pre-intermediate (A2-B1)



Part 1. Look at the pictures below. Describe what is happening in each one.



Part 2. Discuss the following questions.

1. Are you going on holiday this year?
2. Where are you going?
3. Who are you travelling with?
4. What are you doing there?
5. Are you planning anything special?



Part 3. Read the holiday post and answer the questions.

"Hi everyone! I'm writing this from Lisbon. I'm staying near the beach and I'm exploring the old town this week. I'm trying lots of local food and I'm meeting some friends tomorrow. The weather is amazing and people are sitting outside cafés everywhere."

1. Where is the person?
2. Is this a permanent situation?
3. Which sentence talks about the future?
4. Which sentences describe what is happening around now?

Part 4. Look at the sentences and answer the questions.

- A.** I live in London.
- B.** I'm living in London for the summer.
- C.** We eat at home.
- D.** We're eating out this week.

1. Which sentences describe something permanent?
2. Which sentences describe something temporary?
3. Why does the speaker use "am/is/are + verb-ing" in B and D?

Part 5. Match each sentence to its use.

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| 1. She's swimming in the sea right now. | A. A temporary situation |
| 2. We're staying in a hotel this week. | B. A future arrangement |
| 3. I'm meeting my cousin tomorrow. | C. Something happening now |
| 4. He's always losing his passport on holiday. | D. A repeated behaviour (often slightly annoying) |



Part 6. Rewrite the sentences so they describe a temporary holiday situation. Use the present continuous and add a time phrase or reason.

Example:

I wake up at 7. → I'm waking up at 9 this week because I'm on holiday.

1. We visit museums on holiday.
2. She stays in hotels when she travels.
3. They eat local food on holiday.
4. He takes photos when he travels.

Part 7. Write three sentences about holiday habits. Use always, constantly, or forever.

1. One about yourself.
2. One about someone you know.
3. One about a general group of people.

Example:

I'm always taking photos on holiday.

Part 8. Plan a three-day holiday. Decide:

- Where you're going
- Where you're staying
- What you're doing each day
- One future arrangement

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Complete the sentences with your own ideas.

1. On holiday, I'm usually...
2. This year, I'm...
3. When I'm travelling, I'm...