

## 5. Holidays and Celebrations

### Part B1



#### Introduction

##### Christmas celebration

At last it was time for the winter vacation. Christmas was very close with all the shops full of goods. Streets and houses were decorated with flashing tiny bulbs. Jeremy and his family were preparing to celebrate together with the whole family; aunts, uncles and cousins, whom they hadn't met for a year. It was the family tradition to get together at least once a year around Christmas. That year it was Jeremy's family's turn to treat all the closest relatives to a special meal. By the time the guests arrived, everything had been prepared nicely. It was really surprising to see how much the children had grown. Some of the girls and the boys had changed so much that the elderly were simply amazed by their appearance. 'If we had met in the street, I wouldn't have recognised you,' said Uncle Sam to one of them. The atmosphere was perfect with a tall Christmas tree in the corner of the sitting room. Underneath the tree there were the presents wrapped up in shiny paper. Everybody was delighted to see the relatives they hadn't met for a long time. They were talking cheerfully when Jeremy's mother entered the room with a big bowl of fish soup and a large tin of roast turkey. 'At last we are all together. Let's start our Christmas dinner,' said the oldest member of the family while Jeremy was lighting the candles on the table.



#### Questions

1. What family holidays can you mention?
2. What public holidays do you know?

3. How do you celebrate birthdays/Christmas/New Year's Eve?
4. Where are you planning to travel in the summer?
5. Do you prefer spending your holiday in Hungary or abroad? Why?
6. Guidebooks or the Internet? Which one do you consult before travelling to a place?
7. What preparations are needed before a trip?
8. How can children/adults spend their holiday if they don't travel anywhere?
9. What activities can old people do if they are on holiday?
10. Do you ever send postcards to your friends from the holiday resort you are visiting?



## Roleplay Situations

A) You are about to leave a hotel and want to pay the bill. You have noticed it is higher than it should be. Complain about it to the receptionist.

B) Your friend has invited you to a barbecue. Ask them about the other guests invited, what you should bring with you and what kind of clothes to wear.

C) You and your family are planning a trip to the Alps in summer. Talk about how to travel there, where to stay and what preparations to make before your holiday.





## Vocabulary

travel	'trævəl	utazás
individual trip	ˌɪndɪˈvɪdʒʊəl trɪp	egyéni utazás
package tour	'pækɪdʒ tuə	társasutazás
inland tour	ɪn'lænd tuə	belföldi utazás
world tour	wɜːld tuə	világ körüli út
tour the world	tuə ðə wɜːld	utazik a világban
business trip	'bɪznəs trɪp	üzleti út
study trip	'stʌdi trɪp	tanulmányút
trip to the countryside	'kʌntrɪsaɪd	vidékre utazik
organise the holiday	'ɔːɡənəɪz ə 'hɒlədeɪ	megszervezi a nyaralást
book a holiday	bʊk ə 'hɒlədeɪ	lefoglalja a nyaralást
valid passport	'vælɪd 'pɑːspɔːt	érvényes útlevél
expire	ɪk'spaɪə	lejár
extend the visa	ɪk'stend ðə 'vɪzə	meghosszabbítja a vízumot
embassy	'embəsi	nagykövetség
ambassador	æm'bæsədə	nagykövet
prepare for a trip	pri'peə	készül egy utazásra
airport	'eəpɔːt	reptér
check-in	tʃek ɪn	bejelentkezik
weigh	weɪ	súlyt mér
boarding card	'bɔːdɪŋ kɑːd	beszállókártya
departure lounge	dɪ'pɑːtʃə laʊndʒ	előcsarnok
luggage/baggage	'lʌɡɪdʒ / 'bæɡɪdʒ	poggyász
suitcase	'suːtkeɪs	bőrönd
bag	bæg	táska
rucksack	'rʌksæk	hátizsák
customs officer	'kʌstəmz 'ɒfɪsə	vámtiszt
duty free shop	'djuːti friː ʃɒp	vámmentes bolt
Have you got anything to declare?	dɪ'kleə	Van-e valami elvámolnivalója?
departure	dɪ'pɑːtʃə	indulás
arrival	ə'raɪvəl	érkezés

timetable	'taɪmteɪbəl	menetrend
be delayed	dɪ'leɪd	késik
be cancelled	'kænsəld	törölve (járat)
flight	flaɪt	járat, repülés
flight number	flaɪt 'nʌmbə	járatszám (repülőé)
control tower	kən'trəʊl 'taʊə	irányítótorony
runway	'rʌnweɪ	kifutópálya
airplane	'eəpleɪn	repülőgép
phone a hotel	fəʊn ə həʊ'tel	telefonál egy hotelba
book a room	bʊk ə ru:m	szobát foglal
single/double room	'sɪŋɡəl / 'dʌbəl ru:m	egyágyas/kétágyas szoba
a room with a bath	ə ru:m wɪð ə bɑ:θ	szoba fürdőszobával
Is breakfast included?	ɪn'klu:ɪdɪd	A reggeli is benne van?
stay at the hotel	steɪ	megszáll egy szállodában
stay with a family	steɪ	megszáll egy családnál
reception	rɪ'seɪʃən	recepció
bed and breakfast	bed ənd 'brekfəst	szállás reggelivel
boarding house	'bɔ:dɪŋ haʊz	panzió
camp site	kæmp saɪt	kemping
set up a tent	set ʌp ə tent	felver egy sátrat
youth hostel	ju:θ 'hɒstəl	ifjúsági szálló
go sightseeing	'saɪtsi:ɪŋ	városnézésre megy
tourist guide	'tʊərɪst gaɪd	idegenvezető
information centre	ˌɪnfə'meɪʃən 'sentə	információs iroda
beach	bi:tʃ	strand
bathing suit / swimsuit	'bɑ:θɪŋ su:t / 'swɪmsu:t	fürdőruha
swimming trunks	'swɪmɪŋ trʌŋks	fürdő nadrág
sunglasses	'sʌŋɡləsɪz	nap szemüveg
sunshade	'sʌŋʃeɪd	napernyő
winter vacation	'wɪntə və'keɪʃən	téli vakáció
flashing bulbs	'flæʃɪŋ bʌlb z	villogó égők
decorate	'dekəreɪt	díszít
treat sy to a decent meal	'di:snt mi:l	tisztelegesen vendégül lát vkit
family tradition	'fæməli trə'dɪʃən	családi hagyomány
wrap up	ræp ʌp	becsomagol
candle	'kændəl	gyertya



## Grammar Test

Choose the correct item.

1. If you \_\_\_\_\_ conflicts with me all the time, we could finish work much earlier.  
 A) haven't                      B) doesn't have                      C) didn't have                      D) haven't got
  
2. I \_\_\_\_\_ fill in the form if you \_\_\_\_\_ leave me alone.  
 A) will ... will                      B) wouldn't ... will                      C) will ... –                      D) – ... will
  
3. If the doctor \_\_\_\_\_, he \_\_\_\_\_ treat you.  
 A) coming ... will                      B) comes ... will                      C) will come                      D) comes ... would
  
4. The town wouldn't be so polluted if there \_\_\_\_\_ so many trucks and cars in the streets.  
 A) weren't                      B) were                      C) would be                      D) wouldn't be
  
5. I \_\_\_\_\_ go to the theatre with Brenda, if I \_\_\_\_\_ time.  
 A) would ... would have                      B) will ... had  
 C) will ... would have                      D) would ... had
  
6. The dentist \_\_\_\_\_ pull out her tooth if she \_\_\_\_\_ him do so.  
 A) will ... let                      B) would ... would let  
 C) will ... would let                      D) will ... will let
  
7. I \_\_\_\_\_ some sandwiches for you if you \_\_\_\_\_ me to.  
 A) will make ... ask                      B) would ... ask  
 C) made ... would ask                      D) will make ... asked
  
8. He \_\_\_\_\_ to the jungle if he \_\_\_\_\_ braver.  
 A) would have gone ... would be                      B) would has gone ... was  
 C) would go ... had been                      D) would have gone ... had been

9. I \_\_\_\_\_ that mountain if I \_\_\_\_\_ one more day left.
- A) should climb ... has  
B) would climb ... had  
C) would has climbed ... has had  
D) would climbed ... had
10. The driver \_\_\_\_\_ his boss if he \_\_\_\_\_ .
- A) will calls ... stop  
B) would call ... stop  
C) will call ... stops  
D) would called ... stopped



### Writing

Write a letter of 100-120 words to your best friend about your trip of a lifetime, which you will never forget. (What made it unforgettable? What places did you visit? Did you learn anything during the trip?)

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Part B2**The trip of a lifetime**

One Sunday afternoon the Jones family sat down at a round table in their dining room to draw up a plan for their summer holiday. The parents had been saving money for two years so that their children could have an unforgettable trip somewhere by the sea. It wasn't easy to come to an agreement on what type of holiday to go on. 'We can go by car and spend our vacation in a caravan parked in a campsite in a picturesque area,' suggested father, who was quite economical and had always managed his money very carefully. 'Yes, we can pitch a tent,' remarked their ten-year old daughter. 'I don't want to live in a sleeping bag for four weeks,' grumbled their son, aged seventeen. 'We could rent a self-catering flat too,' said mother. 'We should cook at least one or two hours a day, and then do the washing up and tidy up the flat. It wouldn't be a real holiday for us,' said father having the last word concerning the options. They still weren't quite certain whether to travel independently or to go on a package tour. 'If we travel independently, we will have to do all the arrangements ourselves; buy the train or air tickets, book the rooms in a hotel somewhere close to the sea, and choose from the programmes offered on the Internet,' added their eldest daughter. 'Oh no,' said Mrs. Jones, 'it would be too much trouble and energy. Let's go on package tour,' she said. So the next day they walked to a travel agency, and when they saw the breathtaking scenery in one of the brochures, they all wished to travel to the same place. In the end, it took only thirty minutes for them to choose the place and pay a lot of money for the trip of their lifetime.

**Questions**

1. Would you enjoy your time without your laptop and mobile while on holiday?
2. What place would you visit, anywhere in the world, if you had the money for it?
3. What are the most fashionable places in Hungary/abroad that tourists visit?
4. With friends at home or with unknown people around you abroad? Which one would you choose? Why?
5. What sort of good/bad experiences did you have during your vacation?
6. When you travel abroad, what are your priorities; history, people, scenery or shops?
7. How about buying souvenirs while on holiday?

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8. What holidays are celebrated in Hungary?
9. Why is it important for families to celebrate and go on holiday together?
10. What kind of holiday do you consider the most relaxing? Why?



## Roleplay Situations

A) It's lunchtime on Sunday. The phone is ringing and an agent offers you a trip to Greece at a reasonable price. How do you respond to it?

B) A cousin of yours invited you to her wedding celebration. Later it turned out that you were put on the guest list just because somebody had cancelled the invitation. Talk about it with your cousin.

C) You are on holiday and your bag containing your personal belongings has been stolen. Make a complaint at the police station.



## Vocabulary

wedding ceremony	'wedɪŋ 'serɪməni	esküvő
wedding cake	'wedɪŋ keɪk	esküvői torta
best man	best mæn	vőfély
bride	braɪd	menyasszony
bridegroom	'braɪdgrʊm	vőlegény
bridesmaid	'braɪdzmeɪd	koszorúslány
witness	'wɪtnəs	tanú



veil	veɪl	fátyol
bouquet	bʊ'keɪ	virágcsokor
go on honeymoon	'hʌnɪmu:n	nászútra megy
newly weds	'nju:li wedz	újdonsült házasok
Registrar's Office	ˌredʒɪ'straɪz 'ɒfɪs	anyakönyvi hivatal
marriage certificate	'mæɪrɪdʒ sə'tɪfɪkeɪt	házassági kivonat
church wedding	tʃɜ:tʃ 'wedɪŋ	templomi esküvő
get married to	get 'mæɪrɪd	hozzáamegy vkihez
be married	'mæɪrɪd	házas
christening	'krɪsənɪŋ	keresztelő
godparents	'gɒdpeərənts	keresztszülők
godmother	'gɒdmʌðə	keresztanya
godfather	'gɒdfa:ðə	keresztapa
name-giving ceremony	neɪm 'gɪvɪŋ 'serɪməni	névadó ünnepség
set up a tree	set ʌp ə tri:	fát állít
decoration	ˌdekə'reɪʃən	dísz
fondant	'fɒndənt	szaloncukor
spirit of Christmas	'spɪrɪt əv 'krɪsməs	a karácsony hangulata
midnight mass	'mɪdnɑɪt mæs	éjféli mise
Santa Clause	'sæntə 'klɒz	Mikulás
holly	'hɒli	magyal
mistletoe	'mɪsltəʊ	fagyöngy
wreath	ri:θ	koszorú
Boxing Day	'bɒksɪŋ deɪ	a karácsony második napja
poppyseed roll	'pɒpi 'si:d rəʊl	mákos bejgli
tin	tɪn	tepsi
stuffed turkey	stʌft 'tɜ:kɪ	töltött pulyka
wrapping paper	'ræpɪŋ 'peɪpə	csomagolópapír
New Year's Eve	nju: 'jɪrz i:v	szilveszter
national anthem	'næʃnəl 'ænthəm	nemzeti himnusz
Easter	'i:stə	húsvét
Easter bunny	'i:stə 'bʌni	húsvéti nyuszi
sprinkle	'sprɪŋkəl	meglocsol
folk art	fəʊk ɑ:t	népművészet
embroidered clothes	ɪm'bɒɪdəd kləʊðz	hímzett ruhák

hand-painted eggs	hænd 'peɪntɪd eɡz	kézzel festett tojások
set up a plan	set ʌp ə pleɪn	felvázol egy tervet
unforgettable trip	ʌnfə'getəbəl trɪp	felejthetetlen utazás
caravan	'kærəvæn	lakókocsi
campsite	'kæmpsaɪt	kemping
picturesque	ˌpɪktʃə'resk	festői
pitch up a tent	pɪtʃ ʌp ə tent	felállít egy sátrat
travel independently	'trævəl ˌɪndɪ'pendəntli	egyéniileg utazik
package tour	'pækɪdʒ tuə	társasutazás
loads of money	ləʊdz əv 'mʌni	egy csomó pénz
a trip of one's lifetime	trɪp əv 'laɪftaɪm	egy életre szóló utazás
commemorate a historical event	kə'meməreɪt ə hɪ'stɔrɪkəl ɪ'vent	megemlékezik egy történelmi eseményről
war of independence	wɔːr əv ˌɪndɪ'pendəns	szabadságharc
May Day	meɪ deɪ	május elseje
Mother's Day	'mʌðərz deɪ	anyák napja
Father's Day	'fa:ðəz deɪ	apák napja
Whitsun	'wɪtsən	pünkösöd
The Foundation of the Hungarian State	faʊn'deɪʃən əv steɪt	magyar államalapítás
coronation	ˌkɔrə'neɪʃən	koronázás
the Declaration of the Hungarian Republic	ˌdeklə'reɪʃən əv rɪ'pʌblɪk	a Magyar Köztársaság kikiáltása



## Grammar Test

Choose the correct item.

- If he \_\_\_\_\_ his performance, he would have been given a higher salary.  
A) raised                      B) had raised                      C) would raise                      D) would has raised
- More psychological research \_\_\_\_\_ if the professor had required it.  
A) would have done                      B) had done  
C) would have been done                      D) had been done

3. You might have become a doctor if you \_\_\_\_\_ studied much more.  
 A) –                      B) would studied      C) have                      D) had
4. If we \_\_\_\_\_ earlier, we \_\_\_\_\_ to be in a hurry now.  
 A) would leave ... would                      B) would have left ... wouldn't  
 C) have left ... would have had                      D) had left ... wouldn't have
5. If he \_\_\_\_\_ send the agreement, please call me.  
 A) should                      B) will                      C) would                      D) have to
6. I \_\_\_\_\_ so grateful to you if you \_\_\_\_\_ sign the contract in time.  
 A) would be ... would                      B) will be ... would  
 C) am ... will be                      D) will be ... were
7. If you \_\_\_\_\_ me the boat trip, I would have gone with you.  
 A) 'd had recommended                      B) had recomended  
 C) had recommended                      D) recommended
8. If I \_\_\_\_\_ the accident, I wouldn't have known the details.  
 A) hadn't have seen      B) have seen                      C) hadn't seen                      D) had seen
9. Sorry, but if you \_\_\_\_\_ me on time, I wouldn't have been so worried.  
 A) had emailed                      B) would have emailed  
 C) would emailed                      D) would email
10. Would she have assisted me if she \_\_\_\_\_ had the time?  
 A) –                      B) had                      C) 'd have                      D) 'd had
11. Had I seen her, I \_\_\_\_\_ told her the news.  
 A) had                      B) will had                      C) 'd have                      D) I have
12. If he had known you were coming, he \_\_\_\_\_ thrown a party.  
 A) would                      B) would have                      C) 'd has                      D) would had

13. What country would you have travelled to if you \_\_\_\_\_ enough money for the trip?  
 A) have                      B) have had                      C) would have                      D) had had
14. If they \_\_\_\_\_ to do that job for a whole year, they would 've escaped from there.  
 A) 'd had                      B) would had                      C) would have                      D) had
15. Max said he \_\_\_\_\_ the pigeons if I \_\_\_\_\_ him to.  
 A) had fed ... would ask                      B) would feed ... asked  
 C) will feed ... ask                      D) fed ... would ask



### Writing

Write an essay of 120-150 words about the advantages and disadvantages of tourism. (Is your home town popular with tourists? What sights would you recommend to visitors going there?)

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