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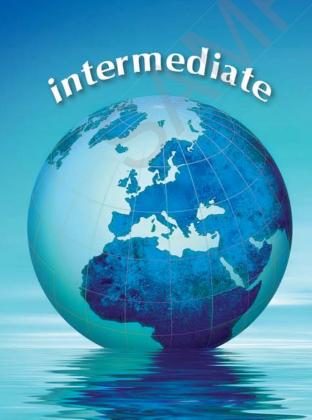














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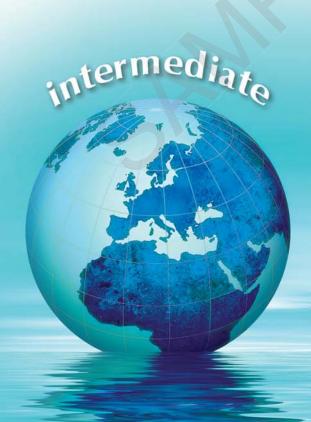














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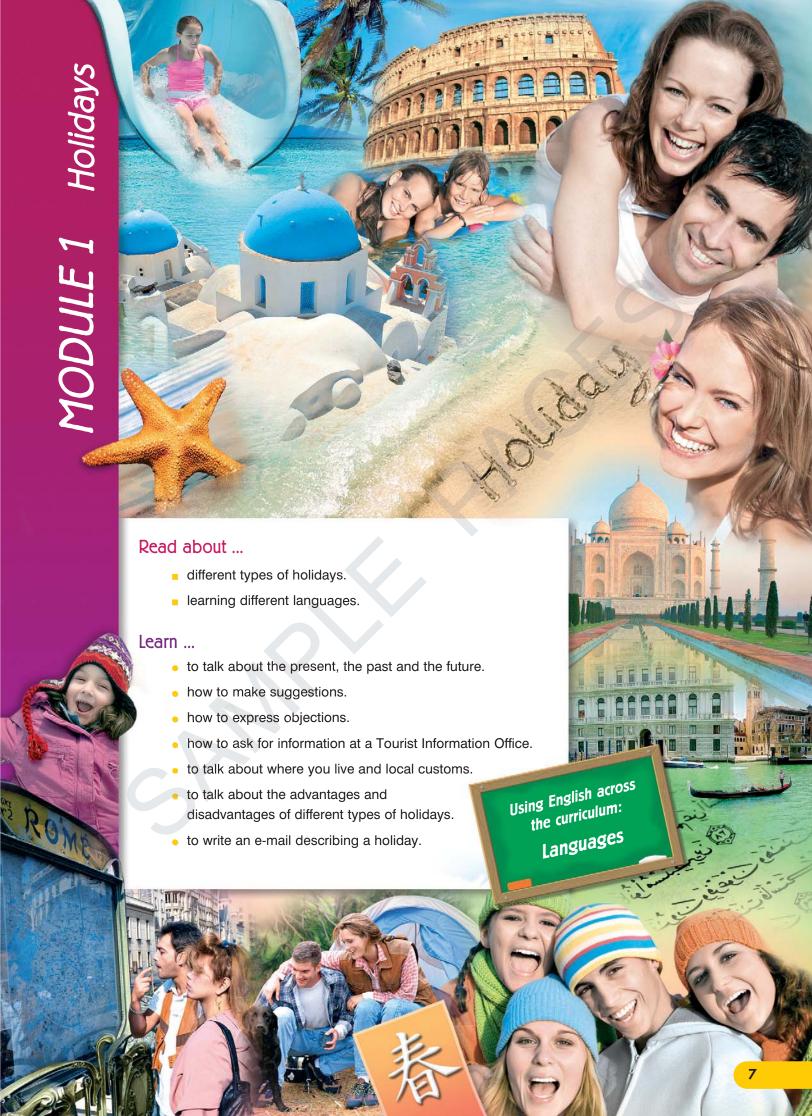
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Warm-up

- What sort of holiday is shown in each picture?
- What do you think people can do in each place?
- Which holiday would you enjoy most? Why?







Getting Away on Holiday

Listen and Read •••

Sea, sun and sand? No, thanks!

If you ask people in northern Europe what kind of holiday they enjoy, most will say that they like to get away to a beach somewhere hot, in the Mediterranean for example. Those who cannot afford to travel abroad to a holiday resort will usually choose a place by the sea in their own country and hope for sunny weather. However, some people prefer not to have a beach holiday at all. Meet some of them.



A few years ago, I went to the island of Crete with a group of friends. On the first day, I didn't bother to put on any suntan lotion and then lay in the sun too long. I got burnt and had to spend the rest of the week inside! That experience put me off another beach holiday, so last year, I went to the Austrian Alps for a fortnight. The scenery was fantastic, and although it was sunny every day, the temperatures weren't too high. I had a great time. I'm now planning a break in a mountain village in Spain. I've been saving since last winter!

I hate the beach. The sand gets everywhere, you can't lie in the sun without worrying about damaging your skin and there's nothing to do there anyway. My idea of a good holiday is doing something exciting – going hiking in the mountains, for example, or travelling across Australia by jeep. And it doesn't have to be in summer. I love going away at Christmas or in spring too. It's important to me to go on a holiday like this every year as I spend so much of my time behind a desk in a busy office. I don't have much chance to do anything energetic and unusual, so I choose holidays that will give me that opportunity. When I get back, I feel refreshed – like a different person, in a way.





I always go on a coach tour in the summer with a group of people of my age. Last year, we visited Germany. It was lovely. We travelled there by coach, then took a short cruise down the Rhine. The scenery in that part of Europe is stunning. This year, we're going on a tour of Italy. We'll be visiting Milan, Venice, Florence and Rome. I'm really looking forward to seeing all the churches, museums and great works of art, as well as taking a gondola ride in Venice. I can't wait! I've even been taking Italian lessons for the last six months!

	ck (✓) the correct box(es).	JENNIFER	ROBERT	ANNE
1	Who says the countryside was beautiful in a place?		1	
2	Who thinks the beach is boring?			
3	Who doesn't get much exercise most of the year?			
4	Who always goes on holiday with people of the same age?			
5	Who once had a bad experience on a beach holiday?			

Grammar Practice

[SIMPLE PRESENT, PRESENT PROGRESSIVE, PRESENT PERFECT PROGRESSIVE – For all grammar exercises see the Grammar Reference at the back of the book.]

1	Fill in the simple p	resent,	present	progressive	or	present
	perfect progressive)_				

1	Frank usually	(go)	on	а	cruise	in	the
	summer.						

2	you	(do) anything	exciting	nex
	summer?			

3	It	(snow) all night, so there'll
	be plenty of snow on	the mountain. Let's go skiing.

4	This year, we _	(invite)	some
	friends to join	us at our villa in Spain.	

5	I	_ (not lie) on the beach a lot when
	I'm on holiday. I _	(visit) interesting
	places.	

6	I	(look) at these brochures a
	morning.	

2 Correct where necessary.

- 1 The train leaves in an hour.
- 2 Rob has a shower at the moment.
- 3 Can't you be more careful? You're always dropping things.
- 4 George is learning English for five years now.
- 5 I am going to the beach every morning in the summer.
- 6 Look! It snows!
- 7 It is raining since ten o'clock.
- 8 They often are staying at that hotel.



Language Awareness

Fill in: go, go on, arrive in, arrive at.

1	the station the airport the hotel
2	{ a tour a trip holiday
3	{ Spain Athens the USA
4	{ swimming hiking skiing

2 Word Building

too _

Fill in the correct form of the word in colour.

COI	our.
1	I love the <i>mountains</i> . I always go to a area in the summe
2	I hate the sun . I stay inside on days.
3	'I'm really excited about going to Africa.' 'Yes. Going on a safari is very
4	'I haven't got much energy. I think I'll lie on the beach all day.' 'I agree. It's too hot to do anything

3 Phrasal Verbs: get

a Study the phrasal verbs.

)	Fill in away,	off, on,	out, alor	ig or	over to	complete t	he sentences.
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1	Ring the bell when you're near your bus stop so the driver knows you want to <i>get</i>
2	I try to get for a week or two every August.
3	Anne <i>gets</i> really well with Kay. They go on holiday together every year.
4	He caught a bad cold last month, but fortunately he got it before the trip.
5	I waited on the platform as long as I could before. I got the train and found a seat.
6	The car stopped and a tall man got

Functional Language: suggestions and objections

a Read the dialogue.

Tony: I'm fed up with all the cold, wet weather we're having at the moment and I really need a break from work. Why don't we book a holiday to cheer ourselves up?

Susan: It's not a bad idea, but I've got some important meetings this month at work and I don't want to miss them.

Tony: Well, we could always wait a while and go when you're not so busy. It would give you something to look forward to.

Susan: All right then. Where do you fancy going?

Tony: What about the French Alps? I've always wanted to learn to ski.

Susan: I don't really feel like spending a week in the snow, and I thought you were fed up with the cold weather! Besides, I'd rather not spend too much money and skiing is expensive.

Tony: In that case, shall we try a beach holiday in Tenerife instead? Hotels in the Canary Islands are quite cheap and it's sunny there all year round.

Susan: That sounds like a good solution. We'll go to the travel agent's tomorrow and pick up some brochures.

b Look at the dialogue again and put the words / phrases that are used to make suggestions and objections in the correct box, as in the example.

SUGGESTIONS	OBJECTIONS
Why don't we?	



Speaking

- a Work in pairs. Imagine that you have met two backpackers who want to ask you some questions about the area. Look at the list of things they want to find out and give them the information.
 - 1 where they can find a cheap place to stay
 - 2 what sights they should try to see
 - 3 where the nicest restaurant is and what type of food is served there
 - 4 what kind of evening entertainment is available
 - 5 how to find the nearest post office or Internet café

For example:

There are some cheap hotels in the centre of town.

The best is probably ...

- b The backpackers are also keen to find out about local habits and customs. Use the prompts below to tell them some interesting facts about your country.
 - 1 When we meet someone for the first time, we ...
 - 2 We have a special celebration called ... on ... (day)
 - 3 The shops are always open / closed on ...
 - 4 Whenever you ..., you should remember to ...
- While on your summer holiday in Britain, you see the following sign outside a museum. Read it carefully, then answer the questions.



- 1 What sort of things will you see in the museum?
- 2 Will you be able to visit it on Sunday? Why?
- 3 How much do you think it will cost you to get in?
- 4 If you go in straightaway, will you be able to have a guided tour? Why?



Lesson 2 Seeing the Cities of Europe

Warm-up

- Do you recognise any of the places in the photos below?
- Which of the places would you like to visit most? Why?

Listen and Read 🚥

EUROPEAN TOUR

Days 1-3 PARIS

Museums, art galleries, the Eiffel Tower and much more in the world's most romantic city. Paris is a place you will never forget.

Days 4-5

AMSTERDAM

Take a canal trip, hire a bicycle or look around the shops and the colourful street markets.

Day 6 COLOGNE

Visit the cathedral, take a cruise on the river before visiting the local shops.

Days 7-8 VIENNA

Try dancing the famous Viennese waltz and enjoy some delicious Austrian cakes and sweets at an open-air café.

Days 9-10 VENICE

The city of canals! Take a romantic gondola ride and enjoy an espresso in a café in St Mark's Square.

Days 11-12 ROME

This ancient city is full of life and colour. Historic buildings and modern shops and restaurants stand side by side in its busy streets.















Dan: We took off early on Saturday morning. It was only a short flight to Paris, which was good because I'm a nervous flyer. Anyway, the tour started there.

Kay: How long were you in Paris?

Dan: Three days. We visited most of the well-known sights – the Eiffel Tower, the Louvre ...

Kay: Did you take the lift to the top of the Eiffel Tower?

Dan: Yes. I actually felt quite scared as we were going up. It's so high! But it was worth it as the views from up there are stunning.

Kay: What was Amsterdam like?

Dan: Fantastic. There's lots to do and see there.

Kay: Did you take a boat ride on one of the canals?

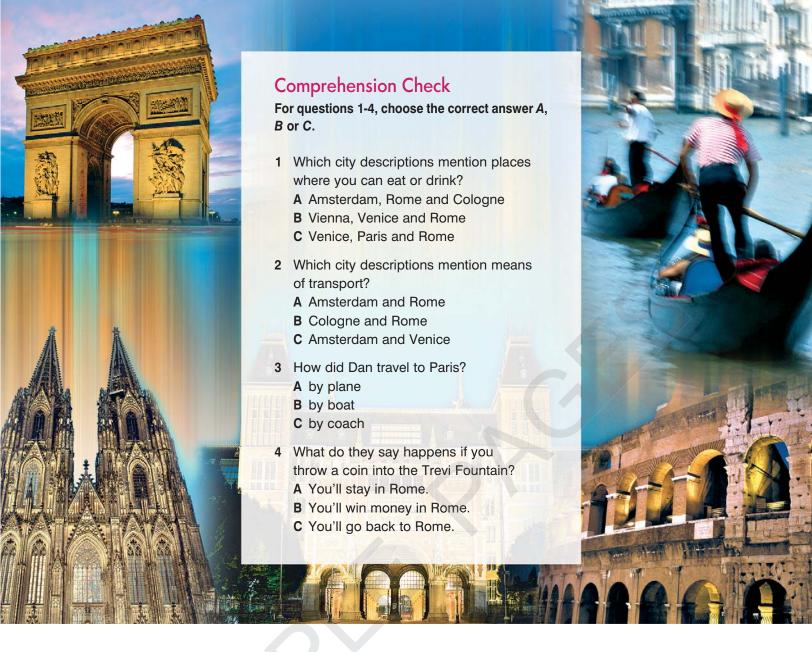
Dan: Of course. That was one of the highlights of the two days there. I also hired a bicycle one afternoon and explored on my own. I felt quite at home there. In fact, as I was cycling along, some Dutch people stopped me and asked for directions. They thought I was one of the locals!

Kay: Which city did you like best of all?

Dan: Mm, well, we also stopped in Cologne and Vienna, which were very nice, but I think my favourite city was Venice. The atmosphere there was really special. It's full of canals and alleys, with the most fascinating little shops you can imagine. I spent a lot of time just wandering around on my own. By the time we left, I had lost my way back to the hotel several times!

Kay: You spent some time in Rome too, didn't you? I hope you remembered to throw a coin in the Trevi Fountain while you were there.

Dan: Of course I did. Just to make sure I will go back again one day!



Vocabulary Check

Choose the correct answer.

1	If you descr	ibe a	place	as
	colourful, it			

- a has many paintings
- **b** is very interesting
- 2 If something is delicious, it has a very ____ taste.
 - **a** nice
 - **b** bad
- 3 If you cycle somewhere, you go there .
 - a on a bike
 - **b** by car
- 4 If someone in a town is a *local*, he / she ____.
 - a is a visitor
 - **b** lives there
- 5 An *alley* is a
 - a narrow street
 - b wide road

Grammar Practice

[SIMPLE PAST, PAST PROGRESSIVE, SIMPLE PAST PERFECT – See back of book.]

Fill in the simple past, past progressive or simple past perfect of the correct verb.

lie, hear, drive, take, swim, work, have

	no, nour, unito, tanto, o	inii, ironi, naro
1	When I lived in London, I every day.	to work
2	By the end of the holiday, I photographs.	many
3	They dinner	
4	I very hard for this holiday.	I to save enough money
5	I already travel agent showed it to me.	of the hotel before the
6	While Rose on the bea	-

Language Awareness

1 Word Building

Fill in the correct form of the word in capitals.

1	Paris is a city.
	ROMANCE
2	We visited some buildings
	while we were there.
	HISTORY
3	Paul doesn't like
	planes. He's a
	nervous
	FLY
4	We're lost. Let's stop

and ask for _____.

2	P	hrasa	Ver	hs: ta	ke

a Study the phrasal verbs.

Situational English: at the tourist information office

a Read the dial	ogue.
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DIRECT

Employee: Good morning. [1] What can I do for you?

Tourist: We're here for a day and we'd like to do some sightseeing. [2] Can you make any recommendations?

Employee: Well, if you're interested in history, [3] you shouldn't miss the castle, and the town museum is well worth

a visit. Or if you prefer to be out in the fresh air, you could take one of these street maps and explore the

old part of the town on foot.

Tourist: That sounds like a good idea, but I'd like to learn a bit about the history of the place. [4] I wonder if there

are any guided tours.

Employee: Of course. There's a tour once every two hours. It sets off from outside the Tourist Information Office.

Tourist: Great! [5] Can you give me more details about the price of tickets and the sights that are included in the

tour?

Employee: You'll find everything you need to know in this leaflet.

Tourist: OK. Thanks for your help.

b	Which of the underlined phrases (1-5) can be replaced by the phrases below?				
	а	I'd like some information			
	b	How can I help you?			
	С	you should definitely visit			
	d	Can you tell me whether			
	е	Can you suggest anything?			

Speaking

- a Answer the questions.
 - Have you ever visited a European city? Which one(s)? If not, which one would you like to visit and why?
 - What did you do there?
 - What did you think of the place and the people?
 - Would you recommend it to anyone else? Why?
- Work in small groups. Imagine that your class is going on a coach tour this summer. You can visit five of the European cities on the map below. Look at the information and discuss which ones you will choose and why.



MUNICH

designed by the

architect Gaudi.

Don't miss a bullfight.

> Go horse riding in the Bavarian Forest.

Visit Prince Ferdinand's romantic fairy-tale castle.



See a play at the open-air theatre.

Take a tour of the islands by boat. Try some delicious

Venetian ice cream.



Look around the ruins of Dracula's palace.



Lesson 3 A Holiday for all the Family

Warm-up

- 1 What kind of things did you use to do on holiday when you were younger?
- 2 Which of the holidays below do you think is most suitable for a family with children?
 - a cruise of the Mediterranean
 - a coach tour of Europe
 - a week at a hotel in Florida

Listen and Read 🚥

You might think that families with children have no choice but to go on a beach holiday in the summer, but that is not the case. Read on to find out more.



FAMILY SAFARI IN TANZANIA

Some people might think that a safari is too dangerous for children, but there is no need to worry about that if you join one of the family safaris in the Mikuni National Park. Children as young as five are welcome and they will have plenty of opportunities to see wildlife such as zebras, hippos and monkeys.

Explore India

This holiday of a lifetime is suitable for children over the age of six and offers you the chance to see all the sights of northern India. It includes a tour of New Delhi (India's capital city), a visit to a national park to see tigers and other wildlife, a visit to the Taj Mahal (probably India's most famous tourist attraction) and much, much more ...

DOLPHIN-WATCHING IN AUSTRALIA

You may have seen these intelligent, friendly creatures on TV, but nothing beats seeing one live. Take your family on holiday to Shark Bay in Western Australia and watch the wild dolphins swimming in the shallow water there. If your children are fortunate, they might even get the chance to swim with one. What better experience could you give them than that?

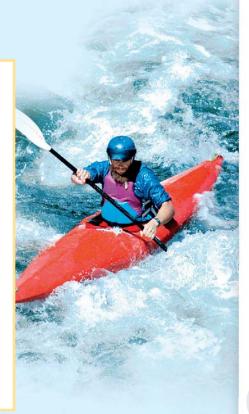
Children of all ages welcome.

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ACTIVITY HOLIDAYS IN THE FRENCH ALPS

The majority of people think of the Alps as a winter holiday destination, but when the snow melts, a whole new world is waiting up there for you and your family to discover.

Children from the age of eleven upwards can enjoy a variety of outdoor activities such as mountain biking, hiking and kayaking. Your children will be so busy they won't have time to miss the beach. What's more, they'll be so exhausted at the end of the day they'll drop off without a word of complaint.



Comprehension Check

Write T (for *Tanzania*), I (for *India*), A (for *Australia*) or F (for the *French Alps*). There may be more than one answer each time.

- 1 On which holiday can you see wild animals?
- 2 Which holiday will make children very tired?
- 3 Which holiday is suitable for a seven-year-old?
- 4 On which holiday can you see famous sights?

Vocabulary Check

Find words / phrases in the texts that have the same meaning as the words / phrases given.

(Text 1-TANZANIA)

- 1 chance
- 2 animals

(Text 2 - INDIA)

- 3 suits
- 4 place visited by tourists

(Text 3 - AUSTRALIA)

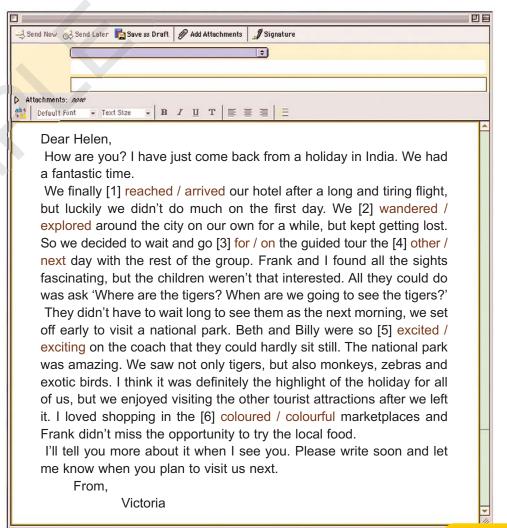
- 5 animal
- 6 not deep

(Text 4 - FRENCH ALPS)

- 7 many different kinds of
- 8 fall asleep

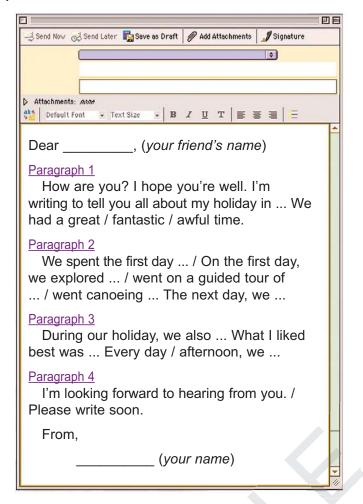
Writing

Choose the correct answer to complete the e-mail describing one of the holidays.



2 LANGUAGE PORTFOLIO

Imagine you went on one of the holidays on pages 16-17 with your parents. Write an e-mail to a friend about it. Use the plan below.



Paragraph 1

Tell your friend what the e-mail is about.

Paragraph 2

Describe how you spent the first day / days of your holiday.

Paragraph 3

Say something about the rest of your holiday.

Paragraph 4

Say that you hope to see / hear from your friend soon.

The phrases below will help you.

- stayed in a (luxurious / traditional / comfortable) hotel / farmhouse / apartment ...
- travelled by jeep / coach / train ...
- took lots of photos of ...
- tried some traditional dishes
- the scenery was ...
- we couldn't wait to see ...
- it was exhausting / tiring
- had a fantastic time
- was the best holiday I have ever had

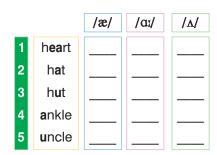
Speaker 4

Pronunciation

a Listen and repeat.

/æ/ flat /ou/ part /n/ run

b Listen and tick (✓) the correct box, according to the sound.



Listening 🚥

You will hear four people talking about their perfect holiday. For questions 1-4, choose from the list A-E the answer which matches what each speaker has to say. Use the letters only once. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

Which speaker ...

A hates spending time on busy beaches?
B wants a relaxing holiday with little to do?
C is going to drive around Europe?
D wants to enjoy some outdoor activities in a quiet place?

E is going to visit lots of different cities?

Speaking

a In pairs, look at the holiday brochures and decide who, out of the list of people, should read each one.



- A young couple who want a weekend away, but the woman is scared of flying.
- A family with three young children who want a summer holiday outside Europe.
- An older couple who want to visit two places during one holiday, but not near the coast.
- A family with two children who want to visit southern Europe in January.
- b If you wanted to choose a holiday, which brochure would you look at and why?

- 2 Imagine that you had an unlimited amount of money and could go on holiday anywhere in the world. Tell your partner where you would go and what you would do. Include the following information:
 - the place(s) you would visit
 - who you would take with you
 - the time of year you would choose to travel
 - how you would get there
 - the type of accommodation you would choose
 - the activities you would do







A Window on LANGUAGES



Warm-up

- What foreign languages can you speak?
- What do you find difficult about learning to speak a foreign language?
- Do you think your language is difficult to learn? Why?

Listen and Read 🚥

It's all Greek to me!

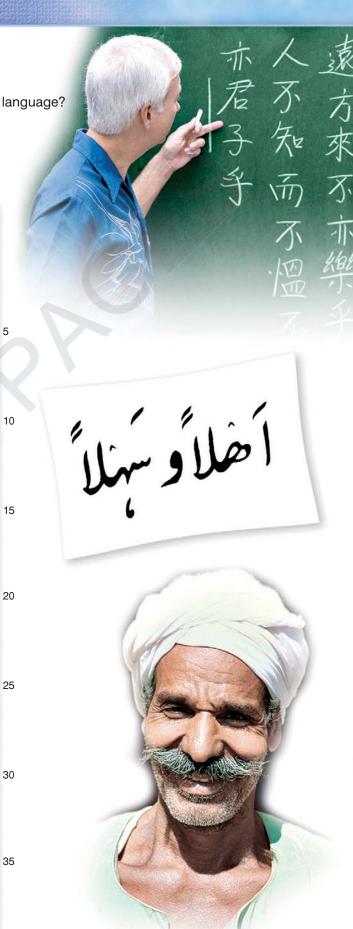
Unless people need to learn a foreign language for business or family reasons, they do not usually choose one that is completely different from their own. But if, after all, you decided to study a language such as Chinese or Arabic, what difficulties would you have? Anyone who studies Chinese has to learn Chinese writing. This developed from pictures that used to represent objects and actions. Over the centuries, these were made simpler and can no longer be recognised. They are now called characters. You must be familiar with about 4,000 of the amazing 40,000 characters to read most Chinese texts. These are traditionally written in columns.

Each character on the page represents one spoken syllable and these are put together to make words. Students of Chinese make a lot of mistakes because the meaning of a word changes depending on exactly how someone is saying it. The word 'mao', for example, can mean either cat, hat or spear!

Arabic is also a difficult language to learn. Although there are many dialects, most students learn Modern Standard Arabic, which sounds formal to Arab ears, but is understood everywhere. They are unlikely to have problems watching TV programmes or reading newspapers, but they may have trouble understanding a conversation between two Arabs who are speaking their own dialect.

Arabic script looks difficult, but when students have learnt the twenty-eight basic letter shapes, there are some rules that help them to write correctly. Words are written from right to left in horizontal lines and the shape of each letter changes depending on its position in the word. Only the consonants are represented by letters; symbols above and below the letters are used to show the yowel sounds.

Whichever language you chose, learning it would certainly be an impressive achievement and very useful in today's multi-cultural society.



Comprehension Check

Tick (✓) True or False.

- 1 People usually study languages that are similar to their own language.
- 2 You must be able to recognise all of the characters to read Chinese.
- 3 In Chinese, a word can have several meanings.
- 4 Arabic is exactly the same everywhere it is used.
- 5 Arabic is written in columns.

TRUE FALSE

Vocabulary Check

Match the words with their meanings.

a set of letters used in a language
century
b thing that you can see or touch
script
c period of one hundred years
achievement
d something that has been done successfully



Do you know what language is officially spoken in these countries? Fill in the correct word(s).

Spanish, English, Arabic, German, French, Portuguese







LANGUAGE PORTFOLIO

Work in groups. Produce a phrasebook for tourists. Think of words / phrases which tourists would find useful when visiting another country and write them in as many languages as you can (e.g. French, German, Spanish, etc.).

Start with the following phrases:

Good morning / afternoon / evening

How do you do?

How much is ...?

Excuse me.

Design a cover for your phrasebook and give it a name.

Let's Talk

Exam Style _

Pairwork

Candidate A

These photos show people on different kinds of holidays. Compare the two photos and say what type of holiday it is possible to have in each place.

Similarities

- on holiday
- couple
- age
- time of year

Differences

- location
- type of activity
- atmosphere





Candidate B

Is it more important to appreciate a country's sights or its natural beauty?

HELPLINE

Functional

Both photos show ...

The first photo is of ..., while the second is of ...
One obvious difference / similarity is ...

In addition to that, they both ...

It looks as if ...

Vocabulary

see famous sights
historic buildings
look at a map
walk along the beach
hold hands
relaxing

Are you moving on? - Check Yourself

1 I can talk about the present, the past and the future.	very well quite well not very well
2 I can make suggestions.	very well quite well not very well
3 I can express objections.	very well quite well not very well
4 I can ask for information at a Tourist Information Office.	very well quite well not very well
5 I can talk about where I live and local customs.	very well quite well not very well
I can talk about the advantages and disadvantages of different types of holidays.	very well quite well not very well
7 I can write an informal letter describing a holiday.	very well quite well not very well

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