

STARTER UNIT 8

1 OVERVIEW: Watch the video. Did you do the same things on your last holiday?

2 Read Natalie's text and the words in the box. Then watch the video from 0:11 to 0:29 and complete the text with the correct words.

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I love holidays. ¹ Last year, I went to Sicily with a friend. We ² _____ a great time. We ³ _____ on the beach and ⁴ _____ a lot of local food. The weather was ⁵ _____. How about you? Where ⁶ _____ you go on holiday last year?



3 *Where did they go on holiday last year?* Read the countries in the box and watch the video from 0:29 to 1:03. Check (✓) the ten countries you hear.

Italy India Portugal Germany Iceland Russia Wales France
Brazil Mexico ✓ Thailand Sweden Australia Croatia

4 *How long was your holiday?* Look at the people below and read their answers. Then watch the video from 1:05 to 1:36 and complete the spaces.



1 About two and a half months, actually. A big one!



2 Just _____ weeks.



3 My holiday was two _____ long.



4 I was there for one _____.



5 I stayed for _____ weeks.



6 We went for _____ weeks.

- 5 What did you do on your holiday? Look at the people below and read their answers. Check new words in your dictionary. Then watch the video again from 1:39 to 2:45 and match the answers to the correct people.



Ben

- 1 On holiday, I sat by the seaside. And I swam and ate nice food and visited local villages.

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Christine

- 2 I just relaxed as well. Cooking, reading, and, um, sleeping a lot.



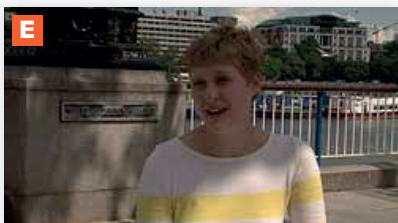
Kat

- 3 I went to Florence to see works of art.



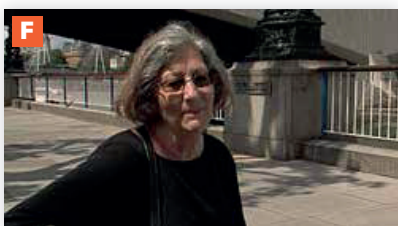
Eric

- 4 I did a lot of sightseeing, and I went on lots of boat trips.



Ruth

- 5 We went to see the Taj Mahal, and we ate lots of lovely Indian food. And we visited other nice, old buildings.



Nicolette

- 6 Well, I traveled around the Mexican countryside, and I went to several old Mexican sites.

Glossary: *sites* = historical/tourist places
work of art = paintings, etc.
village = small town

- 6 THE WAY WE SPEAK:** Did the people below all have a good time on their holidays? Watch the video again from 2:47 to 3:24 and underline their answers to complete the sentences.



1 I had a lovely/great time.



2 I had a wonderful/brilliant time, yes.



3 It was really/very nice.



4 Yes, it was, it was good/great fun.



5 I had a very nice/wonderful time.



6 We had a very/really good time.

- 7 PERSONALIZATION:** Write your answers to Natalie's questions.

1 Where did you go on vacation last year?

2 How long was your vacation?

3 What did you do on vacation?

4 Did you have a good time?
