Holidays

VOCABULARY PRACTICE

PRE-INTERMEDIATE | A2-B1

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

1 Match each holiday word with its meaning.

1 campsite	____	a short organised visit during a holiday
2 guesthouse	____	b place with accommodation and tourist facilities
3 youth hostel	____	c holiday on a ship visiting several places
4 self-catering apartment	____	d place where people stay in tents or caravans
5 package holiday	____	e lower-cost accommodation with shared rooms
6 cruise	____	f small hotel with fewer services
7 excursion	____	g rented flat where guests cook
8 resort	____	h travel and accommodation bought together

2 Complete the holiday expressions.

away | **bunk** | **countryside** | **memorable** | **remote** | **tent** | **views** | **winding**

1 get _____ for a few days

2 pitch a _____

3 sleep in a _____ bed

4 a _____ mountain village

5 a _____ road

6 the surrounding _____

7 breathtaking _____

8 a _____ holiday

3 Choose the correct word or phrase.

1 At a campsite, you can *pitch* / *build* a tent.

2 In self-catering accommodation, you *cook* / *serve* for yourself.

3 A youth hostel may have *bunk beds* / *luxury suites*.

4 A package holiday is usually paid for *in advance* / *afterwards*.

5 A road with many bends is *winding* / *surrounding*.

6 A place far from towns is *remote* / *central*.

7 Very beautiful scenery can be *breathtaking* / *inconvenient*.

8 A holiday you never forget is *memorable* / *exclusive*.

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4 Complete the holiday message with words from the box.

breathtaking | campsite | countryside | delightful | memorable | pitch | remote | winding

We are staying at a small **1** _____ in the mountains. It is very **2** _____, and the last part of the road is narrow and **3** _____. We arrived before dark and managed to **4** _____ our tent. The owner is **5** _____, and the surrounding **6** _____ is peaceful. From our camping spot, the views are **7** _____. This will be a truly **8** _____ holiday.

5 Read the text. Write T (true) or F (false).

A family package holiday

The Novak family booked a package holiday by the sea. Their flights, hotel, breakfast and airport transfer were included. They paid extra for a boat excursion and rented bicycles for one afternoon. The hotel was comfortable but farther from the beach than the brochure suggested. When they mentioned this to the representative, she arranged a free shuttle. The family enjoyed the holiday, although next time they will check the location on a map before booking.

1 The family organised every part separately. T / F

2 Breakfast was included. T / F

3 The boat excursion was free. T / F

4 The hotel was closer to the beach than expected. T / F

5 A free shuttle was arranged. T / F

6 They will check the map next time. T / F

6 Rewrite using the word in capitals.

1 We put up our tent beside the lake. **PITCHED** _____

2 The village is far from other places. **REMOTE** _____

3 The view was extremely beautiful. **BREATHTAKING** _____

4 We bought travel and accommodation together. **PACKAGE** ____

OVER TO YOU

Write **70-90 words** about an imaginary holiday. Include accommodation, location, two activities, one positive feature and one inconvenience.

[ ] Use at least eight target words. [ ] Describe the place and accommodation clearly. [ ] Include a balanced opinion.

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ANSWER KEY

1 Holiday words

1 **d** 2 **f** 3 **e** 4 **g** 5 **h** 6 **c** 7 **a** 8 **b**

2 Holiday expressions

1 **away** 2 **tent** 3 **bunk** 4 **remote** 5 **winding** 6 **countryside** 7 **views** 8 **memorable**

3 Correct choices

1 **pitch** 2 **cook** 3 **bunk beds** 4 **in advance**
5 **winding** 6 **remote** 7 **breathtaking** 8 **memorable**

4 Holiday message

1 **campsite** 2 **remote** 3 **winding** 4 **pitch** 5 **delightful** 6 **countryside** 7 **breathtaking** 8 **memorable**

5 Reading - suggested answers

1 **F** - It was a package. 2 **T** 3 **F** - They paid extra. 4 **F** - It was farther away. 5 **T** 6 **T**

6 Rewriting - possible answers

1 We **pitched** our tent beside the lake. 2 It is a **remote village**. 3 The view was **breathtaking**. 4 We booked a **package holiday**.

Over to you: Answers will vary. Check accommodation vocabulary, descriptive adjectives and balance.