

UNIT 13

VACATIONS



A man rests on a hammock between the branches of a tree on a lake in Florida.

ACADEMIC Use visual clues to answer questions; edit text; organize ideas and write a story

CIVICS Research information about national parks in the US; discuss leisure activities in Alaska; learn about Boston; talk about renting a car

AT WORK Discuss time off from work

A Listen and repeat. Then, label the pictures. 109

Actions		Places
go hiking	take a tour	a cabin
go surfing	take photos	a historic site
rent a house	wear sunblock	a museum
sunbathe		a recreational vehicle (an RV)
		a tent



1. sunbathe



2. _____



3. _____



4. _____



5. _____



6. _____



7. _____



8. _____



9. _____



10. _____



11. _____



12. _____

A Complete the sentences with words from Exercise A on the previous page.

1. Jan likes the ocean waves. She is going to go surfing in the ocean.
2. The sun is very strong today. Mrs. Simmons and her son are going to _____.
3. They are going to drive their _____ to the park.
4. He's going to visit _____ and look at the famous artwork.
5. The couple is going to _____ with three bedrooms.
6. They are not going to sleep outside in _____. They are going to sleep inside in _____.
7. The family is going to visit _____ like the Washington Monument or the Lincoln Memorial.
8. They don't know the city, so they are going to _____.
9. In the morning, the family is going to _____ in the mountains.
10. The father is going to _____ of their trip with his new camera.

B Complete the sentences.

1. I like to _____.
2. My family and I want to _____.
3. I like to / don't like to _____.

WORD PARTNERSHIPS			
rent	a boat	go	camping
	a car		fishing
	a house		hiking
	an RV		surfing
			swimming

Am	I	going to	visit a museum? swim in a lake? go fishing?	Yes, I am.	No, I'm not.
Are	you we they			Yes, you are.	No, you aren't / you're not.
Is	he she			Yes, we are.	No, we aren't / we're not.
				Yes, they are.	No, they aren't / they're not.
				Yes, he is.	No, he isn't / he's not.
				Yes, she is.	No, she isn't / she's not.

A **ACADEMIC** Listen and look at the picture. Answer the questions.  110



1. Yes, they are.
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____



The Old State House, Boston.

B **CIVICS** Read the story about a trip to Boston.

Maria and Arlene are sisters and live in Washington, DC. They are going to take the train to Boston, Massachusetts, on Friday afternoon. They are going to stay with their brother and sister-in-law for four days. On Saturday, their brother is going to take them to the Museum of Fine Arts because Maria is majoring in art in college. On Sunday, they are all going to watch a baseball game at Fenway Park. On Monday, Maria and Arlene are going to take the T downtown. The T is the nickname for Boston's transportation system. They are going to take a walking tour of the Freedom Trail and see many of the historic sites. They are going to return to Washington on Tuesday.

C Write the words in the correct order. Then, ask and answer the questions with a partner.

1. going to / Maria and Arlene / visit / their cousins / are / ?
Are Maria and Arlene going to visit their cousins?
2. are / they / stay / going to / with their brother / ?

3. their brother / Museum of Fine Arts / take / is / going to / them / to the ?

4. watch / a baseball game / they / going to / at Fenway Park / are / ?

5. drive / their brother / downtown / is / going to / them / ?

6. they / see / many art museums / going to / on the Freedom Trail / are / ?

7. in Boston / stay / going to / they / for a week / are / ?

D Write a question about each picture. Then, ask and answer the questions with a partner.

Are they going to look at historic sites?

Yes, they are.

Yes, he is.
Yes, she is.
Yes, they are.

No, he isn't.
No, she isn't.
No, they aren't.



1. they / look / at historic sites?

Are they going to look at historic sites?



2. John / rent / a car?



3. the father / take some photos?



4. Jan / go / to the mountains?



5. the family / visit / a museum?



6. Chris / ski / in the mountains?



7. Linda / show / her friends / the city?

ACTIVE GRAMMAR

Future: *Wh-* Questions

What	am	I	going to	visit?
Where	are	you		
When				
Who		she		
How long	is			

Who	is	going to	visit?	My cousin is. My cousins are.
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A With a partner, ask and answer the questions.

When are you going to take a vacation?

I'm going to take a vacation next year.

Future Time Expressions

tomorrow
this weekend
next week / month / year
next summer
later
in (month / year)
at (time)

- When are you going to take a vacation?
- When are you going to visit your country?
- When is the teacher going to give a test?
- When are you going to see your family?
- When are you going to go to work?
- When are you going to have a day off?

B Imagine that you are going to visit Washington, DC. With a partner, ask and answer the questions. Use your imagination.



- When are you going to go to Washington, DC?
- How are you going to get there?
- Where are you going to stay?
- How long are you going to stay?
- What are you going to do there?
- Are you going to visit the White House?
- Are you going to visit any museums?
- When are you going to go home?

**The Lincoln Memorial,
Washington, DC**

ACTIVE GRAMMAR

Future: *Yes / No* and *Wh-* Questions

A **Pronunciation:** /gonna/ Listen and repeat. 

1. Are you going to leave tomorrow?

2. Is she going to visit her family?

3. Is he going to take the bus?

4. Are they going to stay at a hotel?

5. Is it going to take a long time?
6. How are you going to get there?

7. How much are we going to pay?

8. Who is going to go with you?

9. What are you going to do there?

10. When is she going to return?

B Read and practice the conversation with a partner. Then, find a new partner. Practice the conversation again. This time, try not to look at the book.

- A: Are you going to take a vacation next summer?

B: Yes, I am.

A: Where are you going to go?

B: My family and I are going to the beach.

A: The beach? Where are you going to stay?

B: We're going to stay with friends.
- A: What are you going to do there?

B: We're going to go swimming, we're going to play games, and we're going to barbecue every day.

A: How long are you going to stay?

B: We're going to stay for a week.

A: Have a good trip.

C **AT WORK** With a partner, write a conversation about a vacation that you want to take from work.



Vero Beach, Florida.



Trevi Fountain,
Rome, Italy.

D Listen and write the questions. 

1. Where are you going to go on your honeymoon?

2. _____ are you going to _____?

3. _____ are _____ going to _____?

4. _____?

5. _____?

6. _____?

E With a partner, ask and answer questions about the couple in Exercise D.

Where are they going to go on their honeymoon?

They are going to go to Italy.

F LET'S TALK. In a group, use the cues below to ask and answer questions about next weekend. Ask follow-up questions for each answer.

apply for a job	go shopping	go to the library
buy a car	go to a movie	pack my suitcase
buy airline tickets	go to a wedding	study
eat out	go to an amusement park	visit a museum
get a haircut	go to the bank	watch TV

What are you going to do next weekend?

I'm going to eat out.

What restaurant are you going to go to?

I'm going to the Tropicana.

What kind of food are you going to have?

I don't know yet, maybe fish.

G ACADEMIC Read each question. There is one mistake in each question. Correct the mistake.

1. Are you going ^{to} eat out on Friday?
2. When you are going to get a new job?
3. Who are going to teach your class?
4. When is your friends going to visit?
5. He is going to take a pronunciation class?
6. How much are going to pay for the tickets?
7. What you are going to cook for dinner tomorrow?
8. Where he is going to stay on his vacation?

A roller coaster at an amusement park.

H Ask and answer questions about the pictures. Use the present continuous in the first question. Use the future in the second question.

What is he doing?

He's reading a cookbook.

What is he going to do next?

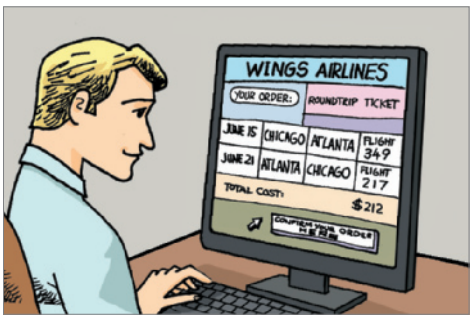
He's going to make a low-fat dinner.



1. What / he / do?
2. What / he / do / next?



7. Why / she / cry?
8. Where / she / go?



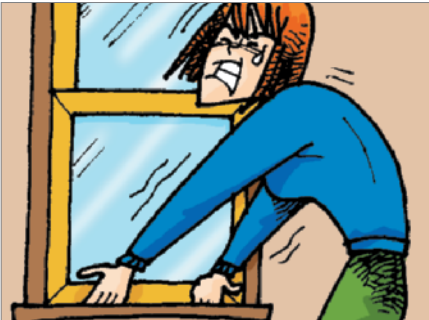
3. What / he / look at?
4. Where / he / go?



9. What / he / do?
10. What / she / say?



5. What / he / do?
6. What / she / do / next?



11. What / she / do?
12. Who / she / call?

A CIVICS Read.

There are fifty-nine national parks in the United States. The parks are located in some of the most beautiful and interesting areas of the country. Millions of people visit the parks each year to hike, view wildlife, fish, bike, and enjoy the great outdoors.

Each park has a visitor information center. The center has information about the park, maps, a short film, and a list of the different activities and tours for the week. Some visitor centers have interesting exhibits about the history, geography, and animals in the park. Park rangers give walks, tours, and educational programs about the park. The internet has photos and information about each of the parks.

B Read the following outdoor activities. Check the five that interest you the most.

- ☐ biking
- ☐ hiking
- ☐ taking a scenic drive
- ☐ bird watching
- ☐ horseback riding
- ☐ taking photos
- ☐ canoeing or kayaking
- ☐ snorkeling
- ☐ viewing wildlife
- ☐ fishing
- ☐ taking a boat tour
- ☐ white water rafting



Glacier National Park,
Montana.

C Listen to the conversation. Write three activities that Ben and Lisa are going to do in each park. 113

Biscayne National Park

Glacier National Park

D Complete each question. Then, answer the questions with a partner.

1. Which park (visit) are they going to visit in the winter?
2. When (take) _____ a boat tour?
3. What (see) _____ on the ocean floor?
4. When (fly) _____ to Montana?
5. Where (hike) _____?
6. Who (drive) _____ the car on the Going to the Sun Road?
7. Who (take) _____ a lot of photos?

E CIVICS Research one of the national parks. Imagine that you are going to visit the park.

1. Where is the park?
2. What is the geography of the area?
3. What activities can you enjoy in the park?
4. When are you going to visit the park?
5. How are you going to get there?
6. What are you going to do there?



Biscayne National Park, Florida.

VIDEO AND READING

Place Profile

A Look at the photos and read the vocabulary.



white water rafting



glaciers



lodge



whales



bears



moose



caribou



salmon

B CIVICS Read.

An Alaskan Vacation

Alaska is a very large state, and it is full of natural wonders. There are many things to see and do. On your next vacation, visit Alaska!

Travel to the Kenai Peninsula. The Kenai River offers some of the best salmon fishing in the world. If you want to do something fast and exciting, you can go white water rafting.

Take a trip on the Alaska Railroad to Denali National Park. The eight-hour ride passes through beautiful mountains, rivers, and valleys. You can see bears, moose, and

caribou. On a clear day, you will see Denali, the highest mountain in the United States. You can go camping in the park or stay in one of the lodges.

Juneau is the state capital. It's a beautiful city surrounded by water and mountains. There, you can see whales and other wildlife, observe the giant glaciers, go to a beach for a picnic lunch, fish from a boat, or go for a walk on a glacier. From Juneau, you can also take a day trip to Mendenhall Glacier, a popular tourist destination in Alaska.

C Complete. Check (✓) a good place or places for each activity.

	Kenai	Denali	Juneau
1. I can see whales.			✓
2. I can go fishing.			
3. I can go white water rafting.			
4. I can walk on a glacier.			
5. I can see the largest mountain in the US.			
6. I can go camping.			
7. I can see wild animals.			

D WATCH Watch the video. Discuss the new information you learned from the video that wasn't in the reading.



A grizzly bear walks on a dirt road in Denali National Park.

A ACADEMIC Write a story about one of these topics. Make sure to answer the questions in your story.

1. **My next vacation.** Describe your next vacation.
- a. Where are you going to go on your next vacation?

b. How are you going to get there?

c. How long are you going to stay?

d. What are you going to do there?
2. **A visit to my country.** Describe three popular tourist places in your country.
- a. What are the three places?

b. What is the best way to travel to each of them?

c. How long should a tourist stay at each one?

d. What can a tourist do at each one?

WRITING NOTE

Before you hand in your composition, check your verb forms.

B Share your story with a partner. Complete the sentences about your partner's story.

1. My partner is going to go to _____.
2. He / She is going to go by _____.
3. He / She is going to stay for _____.
4. These are some things he / she is going to do there: _____
- _____
- _____



The Grand Prismatic Spring in
Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming.

A CIVICS Listen and complete the conversation. 115

- A: Good afternoon. Auto Rent. May I help you?
- B: Hello. I'd like to rent a car.
- A: Sure. May I have your name, please?
- B: Martin Taylor.
- A: Mr. Taylor, how many drivers are you going to have?
- B: _____
- A: Where are you going to pick up the car?
- B: _____
- A: Okay. When are you going to need the car?
- B: _____
- A: What kind of car are you going to need? Economy, compact, full size, or an SUV?
- B: _____
- A: Full size? That's usually \$70 a day, but we have a special for \$50 a day.
- B: _____? That's great!
- A: Are you going to need insurance?
- B: _____
- A: Are you going to return the car with a full tank of gas or do you want us to fill it up for you?
- B: _____
- A: Finally, are you going to need a navigation device, Mr. Taylor?
- B: _____
- A: OK. Just a minute and I'll take your credit card information. Please hold.

B Practice the conversation with a partner. One person is the rental agent, and the other is the customer. You may change your answers.

CULTURE NOTE

Most auto rental companies require the driver to be at least 25 years old. Always inspect your car before you drive it off of the car rental parking lot. Renters are responsible for any damage to the car. Also, it is a good idea to fill up the car with gas before you return it. Many rental companies charge a much higher price for gas.

C CIVICS Read the information about three car rental companies.

<div> <div>AUTO RENTAL</div> <div>    </div> </div>			
Pick Up	At Airport	At Airport	Downtown
ECONOMY 	\$46 a day	\$60 a day	-----
COMPACT 	\$50 a day	\$65 a day	\$45 a day
FULL SIZE 	\$70 a day	\$85 a day	\$65 a day
SUV 	\$90 a day	\$110 a day	-----
OPTIONS	Navigation Car Seat	Navigation Satellite radio Senior discount	Navigation

D LET'S TALK. In a group, discuss the three car rental companies. Decide which company has the best plan for you.