

- . You have 30 minutes to do this task. You have received a letter from your English-speaking pen friend, Ben.

...I've just been to Australia. I saw kangaroos and koalas! I even learned surfing at one of the Australian beaches! That was unbelievable! I definitely want to go there again!

...Where did you spend your last summer? What did you like most about it? Which country would you like to visit one day, why? ...

Write him a letter and answer his 3 questions. Write 100–120 words.
Remember the rules of letter writing.

...My friend was very impressed by the Moscow Kremlin. He said that Russian architecture is fascinating. I'd like to go to Russia for my holidays too...

How do you usually spend your holidays? What is the best season for travelling in Russia, why? What tourist attractions would you recommend seeing in your country?

- **Task 2**
- **How teenagers spend their holidays**
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- **What is your favourite season?**
- **Where do you usually spend your summer holidays?**
- **What do you like to do during your winter holidays?**
- **How often do you and your family travel?**
- **What type of transport do you find the most convenient? Why?**
- **What place in your country would you recommend to foreign tourists to visit? Why?**

- **why modern people travel so much**
- **what tourists usually do while travelling**
- **what places in your region you recommend tourists should visit**
- **why most people like travelling**
- **whether it is easier to travel nowadays than centuries ago, and why**
- **what country or continent you would like to visit**
- **what means of transport is the best for travelling, in your view**
- **what places in Russia you would like to visit**
- **which season is the best for travelling in your opinion**

- **what season is the best time in the region where you live**
- **whether you agree with the proverb "There is no bad weather, there are only bad clothes"**
- **what you usually do when it is nasty and cold**
- **which of the four seasons you like most, and why**
- **how the Earth's climate has changed recently**
- **whether you trust the weather forecast, and why**

Task 2. (C3) Student Card (2-3 minutes)

You and your friend are discussing where both of you would like to spend your next summer holidays. There are several options to choose from:

- in the city;
- in the countryside;
- in the mountains;
- at the seaside.

- I would like to spend our next summer holidays...
- Let's go to/ Why not to go to...What about going to...
- I (don't) think it's a good idea. I agree (that) / I can't agree that
- First....
- Second...
- Moreover...
- first of all, besides, the last but not the least,
- On the one hand... . On the other hand
- to look brown ■ to go to the seaside for holidays ■ to have good facilities for ■ lovely weather *to be back fresh ■ to be full of impressions ■ to be full of energy;
- to lie in the sun ■ to read under the umbrella ■ to drink juice ■ to make sandcastles ■ to pick up nice stones ■ to play with a ball ■ to talk with friends ■ to swim in the sea ■ to listen to music

- I believe that **St Petersburg** is worth visiting because there are so many **beautiful parks and palaces there.**
- If I had a chance, I would go to...

- Many families dream of (1)**spending** their summer holidays at the seaside. Sandy (2)**beaches** and peaceful water, good (3)**facilities** for active rest attract thousands of tourists to Spain and Italy, Egypt and Turkey, Thailand and Vietnam. However, not all can (4) **effort** expensive hotels. The best way to have a nice rest and enjoy your rest is to get (5) **accommodation** at cosy apartments. Usually they are much cheaper and (6)**provide** you with modern cooking and washing facilities. Don't (7)**miss** an opportunity to get new (8)**impressions** , they will keep you full of energy during the year.

