

Travel with English

Vocabulary and speaking

1 Match these continents with the countries in the travel article.

Example: Africa – South Africa

Africa Europe Asia Australasia America

2 Listen and repeat. Put each country in the correct stress group.

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Po-land	It-a-ly	Co-low-zi-a

3 In pairs, discuss which countries you want to visit and why.

I want to visit ...

Reading

4 Read the article and complete the table.

	When to visit	What to see / do
Australia		Sydney outdoor life water sports
South Africa		
India		
Canada	November	
Ireland		



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Dream holiday

I've got five months to travel before I write! I'm going to explore countries where I can speak English. Where am I going to start?

AUSTRALIA

Australia is particularly hot from November to March. I love hot weather so I'm going to arrive in Sydney in December. There's a lot of outdoor life, and water sports to keep you cool.

SOUTH AFRICA

South Africa offers luxury safaris and the chance to see lots of exotic animals. It also has a wonderful coastline so, after the safari, I'm going to find a beach and swim. I like the sun so I'm going to go in February.

INDIA

Rajasthan is the perfect 'India for beginners' with its colours, views and monuments. There are also exciting markets to visit, with beautiful clothes and jewellery. I'm going to spend a month there in January. That's when they say the weather is really good.

CANADA

It's the Rockies for me in November! There are mountains and beautiful lakes everywhere. I'd like to visit the Inuits in the north of Canada too, but unfortunately I'm not going to get there ... there isn't enough time.

IRELAND

In March I'm going to take part in the St Patrick's Day festivities but I know it can be cold. I'm going to buy a beautiful Irish sweater to take back home. Dublin is a great city and there's fantastic countryside too, so Ireland should be fun.

Grammar focus

5 Look at the examples below. Is this explanation true (T) or false (F)?

We use **be + going to + infinitive** to talk about future plans.

The future with going to

- (+) I'm going to spend a month in India.
- (-) She isn't going to visit the Inuits in Canada.
- (?) Are you going to arrive in December? (Yes, I am / No, I'm not)

Practice

6 Complete the sentences with the correct form of **be going to** and the verbs in brackets.

- Example: When is he going to leave (he leave) Dublin?
- Laura _____ (see) beautiful monuments in India.
 - We _____ (walk) by the lakes in Canada.
 - _____ (we swim) in the sea in South Africa?
 - I _____ (visit) Alice Springs and other famous places in Australia.
 - Alex _____ (take part) in the St Patrick's Day festivities in Ireland.
 - They _____ (not stay) in luxury accommodation in South Africa.
 - _____ (you climb) any mountains in Canada?
 - She _____ (not travel) to Australia in July when the weather is cold.

Get talking

7 Plan a group holiday to three countries where you can use your English.

- Individually, look at the article again:
 - Which three countries / continents do you most want to visit? Why?
 - In which three months do you want to go?
- In groups, tell other students your choice. I want to go to ... in ... because ...
- Vote to decide where and when your group is going to go. Discuss what you are going to do when you get there.
- Tell the class your group's decisions. Can you make it a class holiday?

Language to go

- A: What are you going to do next summer?
 B: I'm going to fly around the world.

