WHERE DO YOU USUALLY GO IN SUMMER?

Where do you usually go in summer? Where are you going for your summer holidays this year? What are you doing this summer? What are your plans for this summer? Are you planning to travel this summer? Are you going somewhere in summer?...

Well, well. You must hear these questions **A LOT** at the moment. Understandably, for this year has been **quite LONG** and we all want a change of scenery. Hence, what do you say then when someone wants to know your summer <u>whereabouts</u>?

- I usually travel to Malawi in summer.
- Spain is my favourite destination for my summer holidays.
- Summer holidays are fun so I spend them with my family in the village!
- I like staying at home because I want to rest. Maybe this year I'll change things a little bit.
- My parents often want us to go to the sea but I prefer going to the mountains.

As you can see, there are many ways to talk about your holiday plans.



Abroad

Many people like going to a different country when they are on holiday. What about you? Do you like

going to a foreign country or do you prefer to stay in your own country? Why?

There are many reasons why some people like to take the big leap and go to a place that is completely

unknown to them. They could do this to:

learn more about other cultures.

feel more adventurous.

be challenged.

Your Turn: Where are You Going This Summer?

Sample Answer

This summer, I'd like to go to Sweden for its stunning natural beauty. I like the beautiful lakes and

uncrowded beaches. The campsites are very clean and the service is top-notch. Swedish food is delicious

as well and I'll never forget the crispy waffles I once ate in a village restaurant. It was an out-of-this-

world experience!

To the Sea

Some people prefer going to the sea because they can swim and do many water sports. The atmosphere

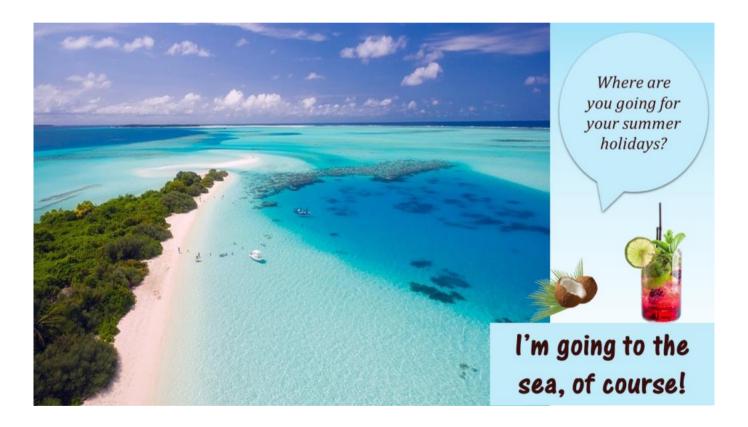
along the sea coast is also awesome for people who like to party. The weather is also very good in

summer and locals are often friendly and welcoming.

Your Turn: What are your holiday plans this summer?

Sample Answers

- This summer, I'm going to the Mediterranean Sea because the water is warm.
- I'd like to visit the Red Sea to understand why it's called the Red Sea. Is it really red?
- Where am I going on holiday this summer? Well, I want to see the Black Sea because its name is fascinating.
- I like places that are not touristy and crowded so I'd like to go to the Yellow Sea.
- My family and I usually go to the White Sea to admire the view. We'll do the same this summer.
- I'm hesitating between the Adriatic Sea and the Caspian Sea. I'll make up my mind in July.
- Well, I don't really know yet. I'd to go to the sea because I love swimming and sunbathing and sea beaches are often big. I don't mind the crowds, by the way.



To the Mountains

While some people like flat areas, some people love heights and challenges, so they opt for the mountain. Oftentimes, the air is fresh and the views are stunning when you reach the top. Hiking can be challenging but it doesn't deter mountain lovers from doing what they love.

Your Turn: Would you like to go to the mountains for your summer holidays?

Sample Answers

- I really want to go to see Mulanje Mountain in Malawi. Its highest peak is the dreaded and yet reverred Sapitwa, meaning 'the place that is not gone to.' There are many local stories surrounding this place. I've heard from friends and family members that this place is so beautiful and awe-inspiring.
- <u>The Alps</u> have always fascinated me. I'd love to the visit the french side of the <u>Mont Blanc</u>, meaning 'white mountain' because of the glaciers that cover it.
- Another mountain that I would like to visit is <u>Mount Kilimanjaro</u> in Tanzania. It's actually a dormant volcano and the highest mountain in Africa. You can even find some snow on some of its peaks!
 Fascinating, isn't it?

To the City



We've talked about holidays that take place in natural environments. What about going to urban areas? Some people like the hustle and bustle of city life and they will not trade city holidays for anything else.

Examples of Cities

- Paris, the capital city of France.
- Warsaw, the capital city of Poland
- Lilongwe, the capital city of Malawi
- London, the capital city of England
- Barcelona in Spain
- Berlin in Germany
- Cape Town in South Africa

Your Turn: What city would you like to visit this summer?

Sample Answer

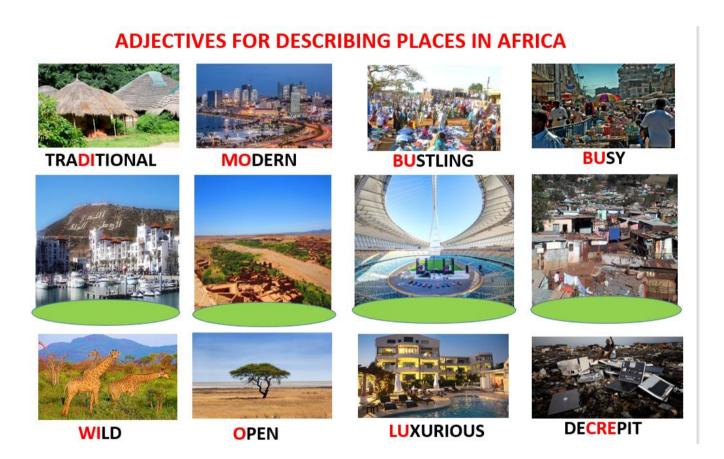
I would like to visit <u>Paris</u> this summer. The city is lovely and its famous landmark, the Eiffel Tower is a must-see. The food is to die for and cafés are just so welcoming, you can spend the whole afternoon on a terrace, enjoying the street view. I also get very inspired when I visit Paris because of the women's incredible fashion sense. It's crazy but I just can't have enough of it! I adore visiting museums as well and it's never a waste of time.

Below are more **Adjectives** you can use to describe places.

- Welcoming
- Astounding
- Stunning
- Popular
- Amazing
- Inspiring
- Exceptional
- Well-developed
- Touristy

- Crowded
- Old
- Contemporary
- Cosmopolitan

(You can find more **Adjectives** for describing places <u>here</u>.)



To the Village

If you don't want to go to crowded spaces, you can go to small villages which are generally cheaper and very welcoming. What do you prefer?

Here are some Adjectives you can use to describe villages.

- Quaint
- Rural
- Attractive
- Appealing

- Environmental-friendly
- Small
- Underdeveloped
- Tourist-friendly
- Cheap
- Isolated
- Remote
- Agricultural

Your Turn: Where are you going this summer?

Sample Answers:

- I would like to visit a small village called <u>Rynia</u>. It lies about 30 km away from Warsaw, the capital city of Poland. This beautiful place is very welcoming and quiet. It actually lies along the Zegrze Reservoir or Lake and you can swim there. Many people, locals or visitors, also do water sports and take strolls while enjoying the beautiful scenery.
- It would be such a pleasure to visit my home village: <u>Mzokoto</u>. It is found in the north of Malawi. People in this area speak a bantu language called <u>Chitumbuka</u>. My favourite season to visit this place is during the rainy season when they are plenty of plump and ripe mangoes on the trees. However, summer is fun as well and I love seeing my family.















SUMMER VOCABULARY

Places















UMMER

Last but not least...

BOWLING

ALLEY

To Famous Places

There are some people who like visiting places that are rife with meaning. Are you one of such persons?

Do you like to visit historic places which say a lot about the people who once lived there?

Below are examples of famous places that you can visit:

- The Eiffel Tower in France
- The Taj Mahal in India
- The Big Ben clock tower in England
- The Louvre museum in France
- The Statue of Liberty in the United States of America
- Angkor ruins in Cambodia.

Your Turn: Would you like to visit a famous place this summer?

Sample Answers

- I would like to visit the Statue of Liberty because of the values it represents. In fact, I've already bought an air ticket for the States and I have my visa too! The summer holidays should come because I can't wait to get there.
- Visiting the Eiffel Tower is on my bucket list and I'm happy to say that I'm going to fulfill my wishes this summer.
- The Taj Mahal is such a sweet symbol of love. I'm a romantic old soul and this why I've decided to fly to India this summer to visit this famous place.

