

KINDS OF HOLIDAYS

1. Put each following words or phrases in its correct place in the passage below.

peak off the beaten track hitch-hiking leisure off-peak resort
package holiday youth hostels travel agents cut-price tickets

People have more money and more (a) _____ nowadays and even young people can afford to go abroad. Many (b) _____ offer cheap (c) _____ for flights to all parts of the world, so youngsters can avoid the crowded, well-known places and get to less famous areas which are (d) _____. Instead of using public transport and hotels, they can travel by (e) _____ and stay at (f) _____. But most people prefer some kind of (g) _____ at a popular holiday (h) _____, which means that everything is arranged for you and the price you pay includes transport, accommodation and food. Try to avoid taking your holiday during a busy (i) _____ tourist season. It's more crowded and expensive. If possible, go in the quieter (j) _____ period.

Read the text and complete the table.

You're at your holiday destination, and now you need to continue your journey. Taxis are quick and

efficient for short journeys, but they can be expensive. Many charge per passenger, piece of luggage, as well as surcharges for airport and night time journeys. If you want to be free to travel when and where you like, car hire can offer good value. You pay a daily or weekly rate for hiring a car, plus fuel costs and you choose the kind of car you want, but most are bad for the environment. Adventurous tourists can rent a motorbike, moped or bicycle. These are cheaper and also more environmentally-friendly, but watch out for traffic or people stealing your bike! For people on a budget, public transport is a good and green option. Cities usually have a choice of underground, buses, trains and sometimes trams and cable cars too. In small towns, the options are more limited. Cost and convenience vary a lot in different places, so look out for special offers like combination tickets, weekend or all-day travel passes. Of course if you want to save your money and the planet, you could always walk!

Mode of transport	Positive things about it	Negative things about it
<i>taxi</i>		
		<i>bad for the environment</i>
<i>motorbike</i>	<i>adventurous</i>	
<i>public transport</i>	<i>good for people on a budget</i>	<i>cost and convenience vary a lot</i>

