

● **What is your favourite place to go on holiday? What are your favourite activities?**

I love visiting Egypt / Greece / Croatia / America / southern Bohemia. I like going to places where there are mountains / beaches / forests / places to ski. I enjoy visiting cities and seeing all the local sights / tourist attractions. I prefer to explore places with fewer tourists / get off the beaten track (*BrE*) / path (*AmE*) (= go to places where not many people go). I like taking lots of photos / relaxing / getting a suntan / going hiking / camping / swimming.

● **What are the advantages and disadvantages of travelling by plane / train / car / coach?**

Flying is great because it's the fastest way to travel. On the other hand, flying is very expensive / uncomfortable / bad for the environment / you have to go through a lot of security at the airports. Trains are slower than planes, but still quite fast, and they are cheaper / more comfortable. They cost more than coaches / buses. When travelling by car, you can stop whenever you want to take a break / see the sights along the way.

● **Where do you like to stay when you're on holiday? Why?**

I normally stay in hotels because they are comfortable / clean / easy to book. They have good service / everything I need. I like to rent an apartment / cottage so that I have lots of space / because I travel with lots of other people. I usually stay in hostels because they are cheap / you can meet interesting people. I prefer to go camping because it's cheaper / I enjoy being outside. Sometimes I stay with friends / family / find free places to stay with websites such as couchsurfing.org. This helps me to save money / meet new people.

● **Do you often travel outside of Europe? Why / Why not?**

Yes, I've been to Tunisia / Israel / Africa / Australia. I enjoy seeing many different places / I think it's important to experience different cultures. No, I haven't left Europe many times / I've never left Europe because it's too expensive / I've never had enough time / I prefer to stay close to home / in familiar places. It's easier to travel within the Schengen Area.

● **What documents do you need to travel abroad?**

When you travel abroad / outside of your home country, you need a passport. When you travel within the Schengen Area, you can use your Czech ID card / they don't normally check IDs. Some countries require a visa / permission to enter the country. Sometimes you can get a visa when crossing the border / at the airport. For other countries

you have to apply online / at that country's embassy. You should also have health / travel insurance.

● **Have you ever had a bad experience while travelling? What happened?**

Once, the airline lost my luggage / my luggage was delayed. I once got sick from bad food / water / caught an illness / got hurt / was injured / had to visit the hospital. I was robbed / had my money / phone stolen / lost my wallet / backpack / camera. No, I have always been very lucky / fortunately, nothing bad has ever happened to me.

● **What would be your ideal holiday destination? Why?**

I would love to visit / It's my dream to go to / If I could, I would go to New Zealand / New York / Mt Everest / Israel / Thailand / South Africa / The Great Wall of China / a beautiful beach / the middle of the woods... because I want to try the local food / do some adrenaline sports / relax / leave my worries behind / experience the local culture / be somewhere completely different / see if it's really the same as it looks on TV / in films.

● **How do you communicate with people outside your home country?**

I usually speak English / I like to learn some of the local language before I go. When we don't speak the same language, it is always possible to communicate with gestures / my hands. I get worried when someone doesn't understand me. Sometimes I hire a guide / bring a friend who speaks the local language so that they can translate for me.

● **Do you think it's important to learn the local customs when you visit another country? Why / Why not?**

Yes, it is important to try to fit in / blend in and respect the local culture / customs. You should learn a few words of the language / learn how to be polite so that you don't offend the people who live there. You should try not to look like a tourist so that you don't get robbed / pickpocketed. No, I don't think it's very important because people will know you are a tourist anyway / you are only there for a few days / the local people expect you to behave differently.

● **How do you feel about tourists visiting the Czech Republic? Why?**

I like tourists / I like to speak with people from different places. Tourists are important because they spend lots of money here / help the economy / bring more cultures into our country. Tourists are a problem because they don't respect our customs / they are very loud / they make a mess.