



Going Home

Conversation > Intermediate 5



Exercise 1 – Vocabulary

vacation	Time off from work, usually spent away from home.
[noun]	<i>Ex: I'm going to take a vacation in May.</i>

homemade	Made at home.
[adjective]	<i>Ex: My mother used to bake a tasty homemade cake.</i>

cuisine	A particular style of cooking that is unique to a country or area.
[noun]	<i>Ex: The restaurant serves Mediterranean cuisine.</i>

bullet train	A high-speed train.
[noun]	<i>Ex: Japanese bullet trains go as fast as 300 kilometers per hour.</i>

expire	Come to the end of the period of validity.
[verb]	<i>Ex: His driving license expired.</i>



Exercise 2 – Dialogue

Choose one character and read the dialogue aloud with your tutor.

Alex: Hey, Lisa. Did you want to ask me something?

Lisa: Hey! Yes, what will you do during the holidays?

Alex: I am planning to go back to my hometown and will spend my vacation with my family.

Lisa: Sounds nice. Where is your hometown?

Alex: It's a small town near Dusseldorf city. Do you know Krefeld?

Lisa: I'm not sure. How long does it take to get there from Berlin?

Alex: If you take a bullet train, it takes about two hours.



Lisa: I see. I miss my hometown, too.

Alex: Do you have any plans to go back to the Philippines?

Lisa: Yes, but I don't think I can go back there before my contract expires. I miss my mom's homemade food.

Alex: Is her food delicious?

Lisa: Definitely! She makes great soups, Filipino cuisine is great! My mom's dishes are special.

Alex: This reminds me of my mother's soup! It's also delicious!

Lisa: I can't wait to go back to my hometown!



Exercise 3 – Fill in the Blanks

Choose the correct answers from the answer pool below and fill in the blanks.

Answer Pool

cuisine
homemade
vacation
bullet trains
expired

1. Are there _____ in your country?
2. Sushi is one type of Japanese _____.
3. My grandma makes _____ cookies. They are delicious!
4. On our _____, we went swimming in the sea.
5. This milk _____. It's disgusting!



Exercise 4 – Role Play

Take turns with your tutor and act out the scene described below.

Scene: You are planning to go back to your hometown, talk with your friend Susan about where your hometown is, what it is like, and your favorite things about it. The teacher can be Susan.



Exercise 5 – Discussion

Discuss the following questions with your tutor.

1. What do you usually do on your vacation?
2. What are the holidays in your country? Which is your favorite? Why?
3. How often in a year do you go back to your hometown?
4. How do you get to your hometown?
5. Do you think spending holidays with your family is important?