



VOCABULARY PLUS uncountable and plural nouns

7A Read the email. Why is Valerie enjoying her holiday?

To: Gabriel14@mailbox.com

Hi Gabriel,

Just a quick note from the middle of nowhere ...

We got off to a rough start when Marianna fell down the stairs coming off the plane (no major injuries). Then our luggage got lost, along with all of my clothes and my reading glasses, as well as our toiletries. Things are pretty basic here – you can't buy soap for instance. We're staying on the outskirts of a tiny village, in a yurt, a sort of house made of cloth and wood (see attached photo). In fact there's no concrete anywhere ... and no electricity but I can't say I miss watching the news on TV. So what do we do? Well, a bit of horseback riding during the day and we play cards in the evening. The locals are incredibly friendly. You know, I've realised that simpler is better and I don't want to come home!

Valerie

B Work in pairs and discuss. Would you enjoy this kind of holiday? Why/Why not?

8A Look at the email again. Underline six uncountable nouns and circle six nouns which are usually found only in the plural. Use a dictionary if necessary.

B Read the quiz below. Find and correct ten mistakes.

C Work in pairs and take turns. Ask and answer the quiz questions.

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SPEAKING

6A Work in pairs and take turns. Ask and answer questions and make notes on:

- your partner's interests and hobbies
- the type of accommodation and transport he/she prefers on holiday
- things he/she doesn't like on holiday

B Work with a new partner. Use your notes to design a niche holiday for each of your original partners. Think about the following things:

- name of niche holiday
- location
- means of transport
- length of time
- accommodation
- main activities
- other information (clothing, equipment, climate, health, preparation, items to bring)

C Tell your original partner about the niche holiday you have designed.

*You're going to travel by train and horse ...
It's likely to be cold and rainy, so you should bring ...*

Travellers' quiz

- 1 When you travel, do you find information and accommodation\$ by asking at a tourist office?
- 2 What sort of facility do you expect hotels to have?
- 3 Do you ask friends for advices on what to see?
- 4 How many luggage do you usually carry for a two-week trip?
- 5 Do you ever carry any sports or camping equipments?
- 6 Has airport security ever gone through the content of your suitcases?
- 7 What mean of transport do you like to travel by most – plane, train or car?
- 8 On holiday, what's your favourite type of sceneries?
- 9 Do you like looking at the remain of ancient buildings?
- 10 Do you always keep someone back home informed of your whereabouts?

