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Been there, done that!

Present Perfect • Simple and continuous • Hot verbs – *make, do* • Exclamations

TEST YOUR GRAMMAR

- What is strange about these sentences? What should they be?
 - Columbus has discovered America.
 - Man first walked on the moon.
 - I travelled all my life. I went everywhere.
 - I've learnt English.
 - I've been losing my passport.
- Which of these verb forms can change from simple to continuous or vice versa? What is the change in meaning?
 - What do you do in New York?
 - I know you don't like my boyfriend.
 - I had a cup of tea at 8.00.
 - Someone's eaten my sandwich.
 - I'm hot because I've been running.

EXPLORERS AND TRAVELLERS

Present Perfect

- Look at the pictures. Why did people go exploring hundreds of years ago? Why do young people go travelling these days?
- Read the first and last paragraphs of two articles about Marco Polo and Tommy Willis. Then match the sentences with the correct person. Put **MP** or **TW** in the boxes.

- He was born in Venice, the son of a merchant. When he was 17, he set off for China. The journey took four years.
- He's visited royal palaces and national parks in South Korea, and climbed to the summit of Mount Fuji in Japan.
- He's been staying in cheap hostels, along with a lot of other young people.
- His route led him through Persia and Afghanistan.
- He was met by the emperor Kublai Khan. He was one of the first Europeans to visit the territory, and he travelled extensively.
- 'I've had diarrhoea a few times.' Apart from that, his only worry is the insects. He's been stung all over his body.
- He stayed in China for seventeen years. When he left, he took back a fortune in gold and jewellery.
- He's been travelling mainly by public transport.

T 2.1 Listen and check. What other information do you learn about the two travellers?



MARCO POLO 1254-1324

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- 3 Match a line in A with a line in B. Practise saying them. Pay attention to contracted forms and weak forms.

A	B
He's been stung	in cheap hostels.
He's visited	all over his body.
He's been staying	a lot of really great people.
I've been	to Vietnam and Japan.
I've met	pickpocketed and mugged.
He's been	royal palaces.

T 2.2 Listen and check.



TOMMY WILLIS backpacker in Asia

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LANGUAGE FOCUS

- 1 What is the main tense used in the sentences about Marco Polo? Why?
What are the main tenses used in the sentences about Tommy Willis? Why?
- 2 Compare the use of tenses in these sentences.
 - 1 I've read that book. It's good.
I've been reading a great book. I'll lend it to you when I've finished.
I've been reading a lot about Orwell recently.
I've just finished his biography.
 - 2 She's been writing since she was 16.
She's written three novels.
 - 3 He's played tennis since he was a kid.
He's been playing tennis since he was a kid.

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PRACTICE

Questions and answers

- 1 Read the pairs of questions. First decide who each question is about, Marco Polo or Tommy Willis. Then ask and answer the questions.
 - 1 Where did he go?
Where has he been?
 - 2 How long has he been travelling?
How long did he travel?
 - 3 How did he travel?
How has he been travelling?
 - 4 Who has he met?
Who did he meet?
 - 5 Did he have any problems?
Has he had any problems?
- 2 Here are the answers to some questions. Write the questions.

About Marco Polo

- 1 In 1254 in Venice.
- 2 Four years.
- 3 For seventeen years.
- 4 Gold and jewellery.
- 5 *The Travels of Marco Polo.*

About Tommy Willis

- 6 For five months. *How long ... away from home?*
- 7 Thailand, Vietnam, Hong Kong, South Korea, and Japan. *Which ...?*
- 8 In cheap hostels.
- 9 A few times. *How many ...?*
- 10 Yes, once. *Has ...?*

T 2.3 Listen and check your answers.

Discussing grammar

3 Put the verb in the correct tense.

- Charles Dickens _____ (write) *Oliver Twist* in 1837.
I _____ (write) two best-selling crime stories.
She _____ (write) her autobiography for the past eighteen months.
- _____ you ever _____ (try) Mexican food?
_____ you _____ (try) *chiles relleños* when you were in Mexico?
- How many times _____ you _____ (marry)?
How many times _____ Henry VIII _____ (marry)?
- I _____ (live) in the same house since I was born.
He _____ (live) with his brother for the past week.
- Cinda's very pleased with herself. She _____ finally _____
(give up) smoking. She _____ (try) to give up for years.

Simple and continuous

LANGUAGE FOCUS

- Simple verb forms see actions as a complete whole.
He works for IBM. It rained all day yesterday. I've lost my passport.
- Continuous verb forms see actions in progress, with a beginning and an end.
*I'm working with Jim for a couple of days.
It was raining when I woke up.
The company has been losing money for years.*
- State verbs don't tend to be used in the continuous.
*I know Peter well. I've always liked him.
I don't understand what you're saying.*
Do you know more verbs like these?

▶▶ Grammar Reference pp140–141

4 Match a line in A with a line in B. Write 1 or 2 in the box.

A	B
a <input type="checkbox"/> Peter comes	1 from Switzerland.
b <input type="checkbox"/> Peter is coming	2 round at 8.00 tonight.
c <input type="checkbox"/> I wrote a report this morning.	1 I'll finish it this afternoon.
d <input type="checkbox"/> I was writing a report this morning.	2 I sent it off this afternoon.
e <input type="checkbox"/> I heard her scream	1 when she saw a mouse.
f <input type="checkbox"/> I heard the baby screaming	2 all night long.
g <input type="checkbox"/> What have you done	1 since I last saw you?
h <input type="checkbox"/> What have you been doing	2 with my dictionary? I can't find it.
i <input type="checkbox"/> I've had	1 a headache all day.
j <input type="checkbox"/> I've been having	2 second thoughts about the new job.
k <input type="checkbox"/> I've known	1 my new neighbours.
l <input type="checkbox"/> I've been getting to know	2 Anna for over ten years.
m <input type="checkbox"/> I've cut	1 my finger. It hurts.
n <input type="checkbox"/> I've been cutting	2 wood all morning.

▶▶ WRITING Informal letters – Correcting mistakes p112

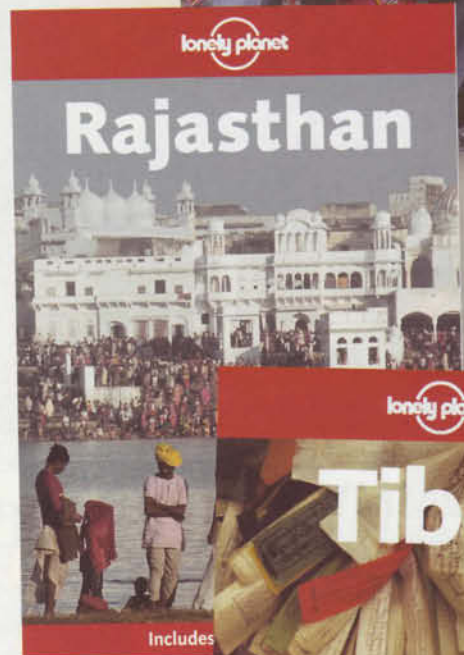
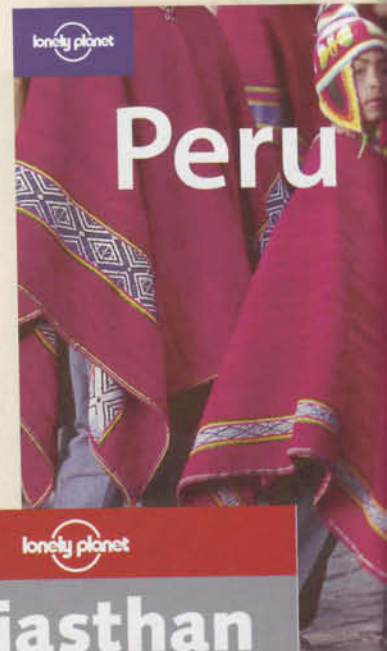
Exchanging information

5 Tony and Maureen Wheeler are the founders of the *Lonely Planet* travel guides. There are now over 650 books in the series.

Work with a partner. You each have different information. Ask and answer questions.

Student A Look at p153.

Student B Look at p154.



SPEAKING AND LISTENING

Dreams come true

1 20,000 people were asked what they most wanted to do before they die. Here are the top fifteen activities.

What are your top five? Number them 1–5. Which ones don't interest you at all? Put an X.

- go whale-watching
- see the Northern Lights
- visit Machu Picchu
- escape to a paradise island
- go white-water rafting
- fly in a fighter plane
- fly in a hot-air balloon
- climb Sydney Harbour Bridge
- swim with dolphins
- walk the Great Wall of China
- go on safari
- go skydiving
- dive with sharks
- drive a Formula 1 car
- go scuba diving on the Great Barrier Reef

Compare your lists in groups.



2 You can read the actual results of the poll on p155. Does anything surprise you? What do you think is missing from the list?

3 Do you know anyone who has done any of these things? What was it like?

4 **T 2.4** Listen to three people describing their experience of one of these activities. Which one are they talking about? What do they say about it?



VOCABULARY

Hot verbs – *make, do*

1 There are many expressions with *make* and *do*. Look at these examples from the text on p20.

- They wanted ... to *make way* for a holiday resort.
- They aren't *making the connection*.
- The Vietnamese are *doing their best* to open up their country.
- Tourism, having *done the damage*, moves off elsewhere.

2 Put the words in the right box.

a good impression business arrangements a decision a difference
 research a profit/a loss your best a start/a move sth clear
 a good job a degree an effort sb a favour a suggestion

MAKE	DO

3 Complete the sentences with some of the expressions in exercise 2.

- 1 When you go for a job interview, it's important to _____.
- 2 I think we're all getting tired. Can I _____? How about a break?
- 3 A lot of _____ has been _____ into the causes of cancer.
- 4 I think the director is basically _____. He's reliable, he's honest, and he gets results.
- 5 I'd like to _____ right now that I am totally opposed to this idea.
- 6 Right. I think we should _____ and get down to business.
- 7 I don't mind if we go now or later. It _____ no _____ to me.
- 8 Could you _____ me _____ and lend me some money till tomorrow?

T 2.5 Listen and check.

4 Match an expression in A with a line in B. Underline the expression with *make* or *do*.

A	B
1 She's made the big time as an actress.	'She's an accountant.'
2 We'll never make the airport in time.	'I can make myself understood.'
3 'What does she do for a living?'	'Yeah. It really made my day.'
4 'You'll all have to do more overtime and work weekends.'	The traffic's too bad.
5 'How much do you want to borrow? £20?'	She can command \$20 million a movie.
6 'How much Spanish do you speak?'	'Great. That'll do fine.'
7 'I hear the boss said you'd done really well.'	'That does it! I'm going to look for another job!'

Phrasal verbs

5 Complete the sentences with a phrasal verb with *do*.

do away with sth do without sth
 could do with sth do sth up



'I'm tired of wondering what I'd do without you, ... I want to find out for sure.'

- 1 I'm so thirsty. I _____ a cup of tea.
- 2 We've bought an old flat. We're going to _____ it _____ over the next few years.
- 3 I think we should _____ the monarchy. They're all useless. And expensive.
- 4 I could never _____ my personal assistant. She organizes everything for me.

T 2.6 Listen and check.

6 Do the same with these phrasal verbs with *make*.

make sth up make up for sth
 make sth of sb make off with sth

- 1 Thieves broke into the castle and _____ jewellery and antique paintings.
- 2 Jake's parents buy him loads of toys. They're trying to _____ always being at work.
- 3 What do you _____ the new boss? I quite like him.
- 4 You didn't believe his story, did you? He _____ the whole thing _____.

T 2.7 Listen and check.

T 1.8

- I'm going away for two weeks. Do you think you could possibly water my house plants for me?
- Don't worry, I know how house-proud you are. I'll make sure everything stays clean and tidy.
- Let's give her a spectacular homecoming party when she gets back from New York.
- Me? I'm just a housewife. Four kids, home-made cakes and home-grown vegetables!
- We're having a house-warming party on the 12th. Can you come? I'll give you our new address.
- Mind you, with it being much bigger, there's much more housework to do!
- Her grandmother's sick and housebound so they have to go and help.

T 1.9 Things I miss from home**Andrew**

Well, the thing I miss most when I'm away from home is definitely listening to the radio, and the way I get round this, particularly when I go away for two, three or four months or something, is to take a small short wave radio that I found and take great trouble to tune in this short wave radio to get an English language station, something like the World Service. And I'm there, waving the aerial around and twiddling the knob, and trying to find the correct kind of station, but then suddenly when it all comes in, and you can hear it, it's great, it really makes me feel like I'm back home, back in my bedroom tuning into weird programmes on wonderful subjects really.

Helen

When I'm away from home for any length of time, something that I really have to have with me is my hair straighteners, ... erm ... I can't bear to wake up in the morning and be without them, because my hair is most unruly, and I would feel very uncomfortable having gone out without straightening my hair beforehand, so I have to take those with me whenever I stay with friends or go on holiday.

Gabriele

When I'm away for a little bit longer, ... erm ... what I do miss are my two cats and I do take a photo of them. That sounds very silly but I like to see them from time to time.

Paul

Erm ... if I'm away from home for a while, what I usually miss most is my bed. I like a good solid bed. Er ... in particular what I find I miss if I'm in a hotel is a pillow that I like. I do find that hotels have this incredible knack of providing pillows that you just can't sleep with – there always seems to be two pillows on the bed and if you use one it's never enough, and if you use both of the pillows, your head seems to be just stuck up in the air – so I have thought of taking a pillow with me but that seems a bit excessive. Erm ... but again connected with sleep, one thing I always do take with me is ear plugs. I find they're absolutely invaluable, if you're not sure where you're going to be in a hotel and if it's very noisy, as long as you're quite used to sleeping with ear plugs ... er ... they can be wonderful 'cause you don't need to worry about traffic and people making a lot of noise in the next room.

Sylvia

Well, when I'm away from home ... erm ... there are several things I miss, the usual ones, my children of course, and a good cup of tea ... erm ... but something I realize I do miss is, is the news, and it's not, it's not that other countries don't have any news, but I'm very attached to a particular news programme and a particular presenter, and if they're not around to tell me the news, I can't quite believe it. It's very odd – doesn't happen with papers, I'm happy to read another paper but on the telly I like to see, I like to see a familiar face and ... erm ... the same background colours and it's all very reassuring, even if he's telling something dreadful. But what do I take ... erm ... with me? I always travel with a bag of

snacks, ... erm ... I don't know why, because I'm terrified ... er ... I'm just terrified of, of being hungry while I'm travelling and not finding anything I want to eat. Gosh, I didn't, I didn't think I was so fussy – there you go!

Chris

I think the thing I miss most when I go away for an extended period, on holiday or whatever ... er ... especially if I go away abroad is probably Sunday morning, and by that I really mean a lazy Sunday morning when I can get up fairly late, wander down to the newsagent's, buy the newspaper, come back with a croissant and make a big pot of coffee, and spend ... er ... at least the morning and maybe a large part of the day just sitting around reading the paper, drinking coffee and relaxing.

T 1.10

- A Great to see you. Come on in.
B I was just passing and thought I'd drop in.
- A Excuse me, don't I know you from somewhere?
B No, I don't think so.
- A What d'you mean you're not coming?
B Well, I just don't feel up to going out tonight.
- A I think I'll have the chocolate mousse. What about you?
B Let me see. No, actually, I don't think I'll bother with dessert.
- A My flatmate can't make it to your party.
B Really! That's a drag. I was hoping to meet her.
- A How come you're not having a holiday this year?
B We just can't afford it.
- A You'll make yourself ill if you carry on working at that pace.
B That's as maybe but I have to get this finished by Friday.
- A I've got you the last two tickets for the show.
B Fantastic! I knew you'd swing it for us.

T 1.11 See p15**T 1.12** See p15**T 1.13**

- A Excuse me, don't I know you from somewhere?
B Actually, I don't think so.
A Weren't you at Gavin's party last week?
B Not me. I don't know anyone called Gavin.
A Well, someone who looked just like you was there.
B Well, that's as maybe but it certainly wasn't me.
A I am sorry!
- A Tony! Hi! Great to see you.
B Well, I was just passing and I thought I'd drop in and say 'hello'.
A Come on in! Have a drink!
B You're sure? You're not too busy?
A Never too busy to talk to you.
B Thanks Jo. It'd be really nice to have a chat.
A Fantastic! Let me take your coat.

**UNIT 2****T 2.1** Marco Polo 1254–1324

Marco Polo was the first person to travel the entire 8,000 kilometre length of the Silk Route, the main trade link between Cathay (China) and the West for over two thousand years. He was born in Venice, the son of a merchant. In 1271, when he was 17, he set off for China. The journey took him four years. His route led him through Persia, Afghanistan, and Mongolia. He travelled by boat, but mainly on horseback, and he frequently got lost. He was met by the emperor Kublai Khan. He was one of the first Europeans to visit the territory, and he travelled

extensively. He went over mountain ranges, down rivers, and across deserts. He stayed in China for seventeen years. When he left, he took back a fortune in gold and jewellery. He arrived back home in 1295. He wrote a book called *The Travels of Marco Polo*, which gave Europeans their first information about China and the Far East.

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T 2.2

He's been stung all over his body. He's visited royal palaces. He's been staying in cheap hostels. I've been pickpocketed and mugged. I've met a lot of really great people. He's been to Vietnam and Japan.

T 2.3

- When and where was he born?
In 1254 in Venice.
- How long did it take to travel to China?
Four years.
- How long did he stay in China?
For seventeen years.
- What did he take back to Venice?
Gold and jewellery.
- What was his book called?
The Travels of Marco Polo.
- How long has he been away from home?
For five months.
- Which places has he been to?
Thailand, Vietnam, Hong Kong, South Korea, and Japan.
- Where's he been staying?
In cheap hostels.
- How many times has he had diarrhoea?
A few times.
- Has he been pickpocketed?
Yes, once.

T 2.4**1 Alan**

They are ... one of the most eerie ... and -er strange experiences you can possibly have. The first time I saw them, they appeared as a kind of shimmering curtain, over the top of a ridge of mountains, and they went from a greenish colour to a kind of purple red colour. And they just stayed there. The second time I saw them, it was the most amazing sight because they were right above our heads, and they covered the whole of the sky. The other interesting thing is that -er not everybody hears it, but they sometimes make a sound, a kind of -er buzzing noise. It was a real sense of wonder and awe. I just kind of sat there with my mouth hanging open, just feeling kind of small.

2 James

You start at the bottom of the valley, and slowly make your way up the hill, -er about a seven-hour hike until you get to a camp. Then you get up very early the next morning, about four o'clock, in order

to get there for the sunrise. You walk for an hour or so, and suddenly you reach this point where you're looking down on this ancient city, just as the sun is breaking through the clouds. It's the most extraordinary sight. And you walk around in the total silence of a city that's more than five hundred years old. At that point it's invaded by thousands of tourists, and -er it's time to go.

3 Willow

We got up about five o'clock in the morning. We went to the site, and set off. Because you're floating with the wind, there is no breeze on you, and it really was like ... flying like a bird. You could look down on everyone, and they were all so small, like ants. It was just amazing, and so silent. And we landed about seven o'clock, and suddenly we were back with the rest of civilization. It was just the most beautiful experience.

T 2.5

- 1 When you go for a job interview, it's important to make a good impression.
- 2 I think we're all getting tired. Can I make a suggestion? How about a break?
- 3 A lot of research has been done into the causes of cancer.
- 4 I think the director is basically doing a good job. He's reliable, he's honest, and he gets results.
- 5 I'd like to make it clear right now that I am totally opposed to this idea.
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T 2.8 Tashi Wheeler – girl on the move

I = Interviewer, T = Tashi

Part one

- I Now, travelling. Erm ... when did you start travelling?
- T When I was eight months old.
- I And where did you go?
- T Erm I think we did a lot of South ... yeah we did a lot of South East Asia when I was younger. And Galapagos Islands, Philippines, and stuff like that.
- I And your first memories ... OK, eight months, you started, but you presumably don't ...
- T ... don't remember.
- I What are your first memories of travelling?
- T Erm ... airports. Erm ... what else? Beaches. It was a lot in Asia at the time, so it was always hot. Big fruit drinks, and ... I don't know, lots of bus rides.
- I Was there a time at which you sort of felt 'Yeah, I quite enjoy this travelling', or was it ...? It sounds almost a bit of a chore, the way you describe it at the moment.
- T No, it was never a chore. I always really enjoyed it. I think I was quite comfortable. Mum used to say that when I was two years old she just put me down and I just ran off. And she wouldn't see me

and then someone would pick me up and bring me back. I was quite happy fitting in everywhere.

- I What do you think were your, your best memories of travelling? I mean, what can you actually remember that still stands out years on?
- T From when I was much younger?
- I Yes.
- T Erm ... Africa, when I think I was around eight, or nine. We had ... we went on safaris there, and got chased by an elephant, had lion cubs jumping around the ... erm ... safari bus, monkeys swinging off the ... erm ... rear-view mirrors, and things. So that was ... and trekking in Nepal is something I'll always remember. The getting up at like four in the morning and looking over all the mountains, and then just walking all day, talking to porters, and coming into villages, and all the kids running out and seeing you, and things. There's lots of amazing experiences.

T 2.9 Part two

- I And when you were on these travels, I mean, did your Dad sort of have a notebook, and he'd be sort of stopping everywhere ...?
- T Constantly.
- I ... and writing detailed notes of everywhere?
- T Yeah, he's always got pen and paper and three or four guidebooks and other people's guidebooks and so on.
- I And that must have made travelling a lot slower for you as a family.
- T Oh, no. He's hectic, Dad. He's ... We land in a country, his feet hit the ground, and he takes off. We don't stop for two seconds. He gets up and goes out before we get up, comes back, gets us up, takes us to breakfast, we rush around all the sights, see everything, stop for one drink here, lunch somewhere else, dinner somewhere else, after dinner drink somewhere else, takes us back to the hotel and he goes out again, and goes on all night.
- I Amazingly exhausting!
- T Ah, it is! It's really exhausting! It got to a point where me and my brother ... what we really liked about travelling for a while was sitting at home watching movies and getting room service. That was quite exciting and different for us.
- I This raises the question, of course, travel broadening the mind, as ... as ... is often said. Do you think it does?
- T Yeah, definitely. I don't think you can travel and not have your mind broadened. We saw everything, we ran around, and it was hectic, but at the same time, you knew it was an experience while you were doing it, especially as you got older. And you value it. And still do.

T 2.10 Part three

- I I was going to say, we've talked a bit about, you know, when you were really young. What about as you got older? I mean, how did the sort of experience and feel of it change, as you became say a teenager, and ... mid-teenage years and so on?
- T You always wanted to stay home, summer holidays. I mean, just before you go away ... there'd be all your friends having parties and holidays and things, and you'd want to stay and hang out. But at the same time you knew you were doing something different, and everyone's always asking you about where you've been, and what you're doing, so you know you ... it's a privileged situation, and you're lucky to have it.
- I Did that make it easier for you socially, or ... or not so easy?
- T Erm ...
- I Being different in that way, in that you'd travelled sort of more than anyone, really, hadn't you?
- T I think it had its pros and cons. I think for a number of years, especially around probably thirteen to sixteen, I felt backward, I think, 'cos I didn't really know how to get along with kids my age and my own culture and country and stuff. Erm ... just from travelling for so long in places,

countries, cultures or whatever, where you can't talk to boys, or you can't look at people in a certain way, or you don't wear certain clothing, or something. And I think ... I don't know ... just the adjusting back and forth constantly did make it a little awkward. The kids at school seemed to be cool, and they had things going on, watch TV, and this programme was good, and I was never up to date with all that stuff, so I was constantly being pulled out of it and brought back. But at the same time, I did have that, like I'd seen things, I knew things, and stuff – just a broader view of life I guess.

- I There is a view of travelling that you become a kind of world citizen, and the world is your home.
- T Melbourne's definitely my home. But I do feel comfortable anywhere, particularly in Asia, I don't know ... I think I'm a real ... I just feel like I'm coming home when I go back to Asia. And after living for a year in Paris, I love going back there, but it's not really my home, I guess. No, Melbourne is definitely my home.
- I Is there anywhere you fe... don't feel comfortable?
- T Erm ... I haven't found that place yet! But you never know, I might. I haven't been everywhere.
- I Your mother's not so long ago written a book about travelling with children, hasn't she? Is travelling ... would ... is that, is that something you'd sort of advocate, travelling with children? Would you travel with ... will you travel with your own children?
- T Yeah, definitely. I think ... I mean ... it's a time where your ideas, your personality is being formed, and I think ... it can only benefit you. Really. I think it's something ... And you don't have as much time to do these things when you're older, so try to fit as much of it in as you can when you're younger. Definitely.
- I So you'll continue travelling yourself, will you, do you think?
- T I hope so. I really can't handle being in one place for too long. I get very itchy-footed.

T 2.11

- 1 How's your steak? Is it OK?
- 2 We were all going on holiday to Spain next week. We were really looking forward to it, but my father's been quite ill so we had to cancel the holiday.
- 3 A Has Ann had the baby yet? It must be due any time now.
B Oh, yes. Haven't you heard? She didn't have one baby. She had three! Tom's the father of triplets!
- 4 Mind your head as you come through this door. It's very low.
- 5 Do be careful. That bowl's really heavy.
- 6 Did you know that they eat horse-meat in some countries? And snails. And pigs' feet.
- 7 Look! Isn't that Peter over there, sitting on his own?
- 8 Sarah told me that you hated me. She said that you never wanted to see me ever again!
- 9 I saw Julie yesterday.
- 10 Tomorrow's test has been cancelled!

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- 1 A How's your steak? Is it OK?
B Mmm! It's absolutely delicious! Just the way I like it.
- 2 A We were all going on holiday to Spain next week. We were really looking forward to it, but my father's been quite ill, so we had to cancel the holiday.
B Ah! What a shame! You must be so disappointed!
- 3 A Has Ann had the baby yet? It must be due any time now.
B Oh, yes. Haven't you heard? She didn't have one baby. She had three! Tom's the father of triplets!
A Wow! That's unbelievable! How amazing! Triplets! That'll keep them busy!