



This week...

A long weekend is coming soon and Scott suggests to Tina that they go away for a couple of nights. They are deciding where to go and what to do.

Lesson Targets

- Deciding what to do on a long weekend
- Making plans

Daily English Conversation

Advanced Class



What do you like to do on a long weekend?

What are they eating and drinking?



A



B



What are they throwing?

C



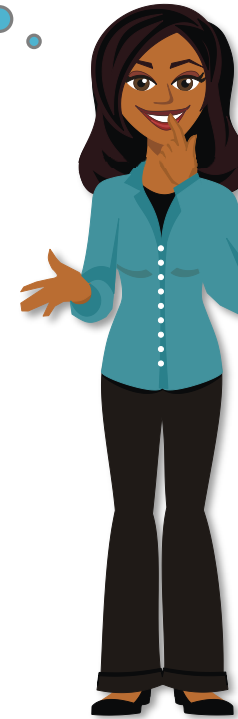
What game are they playing?



Scott	There is a long weekend coming up and I am thinking of getting away for a couple of nights.
Tina	Where are you thinking of going?
Scott	I want to rent a log cabin with a fireplace in Nagano and do some skiing.
Tina	That sounds romantic. Are you trying to convince me to come with you?
Scott	Not really. We both have had a very busy year so I thought we deserve a bit of relaxation.
Tina	I haven't been skiing in ages and sitting in front of a fireplace in the evening sounds wonderful .
Scott	Should I go ahead and book the accommodation?
Tina	Of course! Thanks, Scott. You really are a thoughtful boyfriend.

Spending time with you
**in the evening sounds
wonderful.**

1. I am thinking of
2. I haven't been in ages.
3. in the evening sounds wonderful.
4. Should I go ahead and?



Student A and Student B are talking about what they want to do on a long weekend.



A: There is a long weekend coming up.

B: What do you want to do?

A: I haven't really thought about it. Do you have any ideas?

B: I want to **Ideas** .

Key Phrases

- I want to check out
- That sounds nice, but
- I haven't been in ages.
- I'd prefer to
- We need to book the accommodation.
- We could also
- *Other*

Ideas

- relax at home
- go skiing/snowboarding
- rent a cabin
- go to a warm place
- go to the hot springs
- *other*

* Choose a topic below and tell a short story that is either true or not true. The other students in the class and the teacher ask one question each about the story. Then they guess whether your story is true or false.



1. I don't like long weekends because of the extra work when they're over.
2. I always travel during long weekends.
3. I like to be lazy during long weekends.
4. I think there should be more long weekends.



1. Which the most popular destination for the Labor Day long weekend in the USA?

- A:** California
- B:** Portland
- C:** Las Vegas
- D:** Florida

2. Which country in Europe has the most public holidays?

- A:** UK
- B:** Finland
- C:** Germany
- D:** Sweden

3. Which country has the least public holidays?

- A:** Japan
- B:** Mexico
- C:** Russia
- D:** Turkey

4. Which set of statistics rises usually during long weekends?

- A:** road fatalities
- B:** theft
- C:** fast food sales
- D:** public transport usage



- ☐ What's the most memorable long weekend you have had in the past years?
- ☐ Is there anything you dislike about long weekends?
- ☐ How do you feel when your weekend is over?

accommodation	- I will book the <i>accommodation</i> for two nights.
ages	- I haven't seen you in <i>ages</i> !
deserve	- You <i>deserve</i> to take it easy for a few days.
fireplace	- I love sitting in front of a <i>fireplace</i> in winter.
lazy	- I am always very <i>lazy</i> on my day off.
memorable	- Last weekend was very <i>memorable</i> .
romantic	- The place we visited was very <i>romantic</i> .
thoughtful	- He is a very kind and <i>thoughtful</i> person.



Scott



James

It's Christmas Time



For many people Christmas is a time to spend with family and friends. There are a number of ways to celebrate, such as putting up Christmas decorations, going to Christmas parties, eating Christmas food or exchanging presents. Next week, Scott calls James to invite him and Wakana to a Christmas party in Tokyo.