# Away from Home

Warm-Up

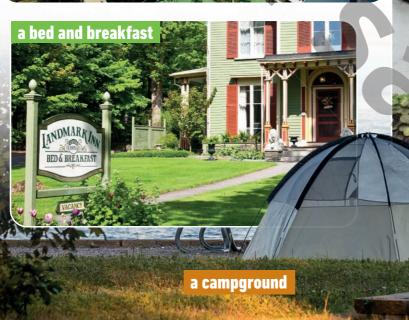
When you've traveled, which kinds of accommodations have you stayed in?







a short-term vacation rental







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# Topic Warm-Up

HOTEL FACILITIES AND AMENITIES | Take the survey.



- VOCABULARY | Facilities and amenities | Listen and repeat.
- PAIR WORK | Talk about a time you stayed in a hotel or other accommodation. Tell your partner about the facilities and amenities there.

I stayed in a hotel with my parents and my two brothers. We needed lots of extra towels and hangers!

# Language Warm-Up

A | | I | ZOOM-IN | Read and listen to a conversation about planning a vacation. Notice the <u>featured</u> words and phrases.



**Paula** = American English (regional) **Brad** = American English (standard)







Paula: You know, I hate staying in hotels. Every time you want something to eat you have to call room service.

**Brad:** I'm with you. And it costs an arm and a leg.

**Paula:** So why don't we look for a bed and breakfast, or maybe one of those short-term vacation rentals?

**Brad:** Great idea. That would be more like home. Which do you prefer?

**Paula:** Not sure. B&B's have their upsides and downsides.

**Brad:** Like what?

Paula: Well, for example, breakfast is included, but you have to make small talk with the other guests. I'm not unfriendly, but I don't want to talk to strangers first thing in the morning.

**Brad:** Me neither. I like my privacy. **Paula:** So maybe the rental is the way to go?

**Paula:** Here ... this one's nice. Lots of four-star reviews. Non-smoking. Should we make a reservation?

**Brad:** Uh-oh! Look at the fine print: If you want to do laundry, you have to ask permission. And there's a fee for cleaning! We shouldn't have to pay for that.

**Paula:** Good point, but it's right in the restaurant district.

Brad: True, but <u>it's got a lot of</u>
<u>downsides</u>. Let's look for something
else, OK?

- B UNDERSTAND FROM CONTEXT | Look at the <u>featured</u> words and phrases in Zoom-In. Circle the correct answer.
  - 1 When Brad says "I'm with you," what does he mean?
    - a He agrees.

- **b** He wants to travel with her.
- 2 When Brad says that room service "costs an arm and a leg," what does he mean?
  - a He doesn't like calling for things.
- b It's very expensive.
- 3 When Brad says, "Look at the fine print," what does he mean?
  - a You should read it carefully.

- b It looks good.
- 4 When Brad says there's "a fee" for cleaning, what does he mean?
  - a Guests have to pay for cleaning.
- **b** Guests have to clean the house or apartment.
- THINK AND EXPLAIN Look at the <u>featured</u> words and phrases again. With a partner, explain what each person means.
  - 1 Paula: "... you have to make small talk with the other guests."
  - 2 Brad: "I like my privacy."

- 3 Paula: "Good point."
- 4 Brad: "It's got a lot of downsides."

SPEAKING

PAIR WORK | Which kind of the accommodations in Warm-Up on page 37 do you prefer? Use the Vocabulary from the survey on page 38.



I prefer large hotels. They usually have a fitness center, and that's important to me.

Personally, I prefer youth hostels. I like to meet people my age.





# Leave and take telephone messages

IIII VOCABULARY | Telephone messages | Read and listen. Then listen again and repeat.

an answering machine a device that automatically answers a phone call and records a caller's message when a person doesn't answer the phone.

a greeting a recorded voice that responds and asks a caller to call back or leave a message.

a voicemail an audio message that a caller leaves when no one answers the phone.

an answering service a service that answers peoples' phones and takes and delivers messages to them.

an operator a person who provides telephone assistance to people who call companies, hotels, or other businesses.

Listen to the phone calls. Complete the statements with words or phrases from the Vocabulary.

1 This is ...... on ......

2 The speaker works for .......

3 The person who answered the phone is .......

4 This is .....

Please tell Tom I'll call back in fifteen minutes.





GRAMMAR | The future with will

You can use the modal will or won't + a base form to talk about the future. Remember: Modals don't use -s in the third-person form.

**Affirmative statements Negative statements** 

She'll call back tomorrow. We won't be at the meeting this afternoon.

#### Questions

Will you meet us at the coffee shop? (Yes, we will. / No, we won't.) Will he go swimming when he arrives? (Yes, he will. / No he won't.)

When will the pool open? (In a few minutes.)

Where will you go this afternoon? (I'm not sure.) Which hotel will they be in? (The Barton, I think.)

Who will Bella call when she gets here? (Her parents.)

BUT Who will call her parents? (Bella will.)

## **GRAMMAR EXPANDER** p. 130

- Will and be going to
- Other uses of will
- Can, should, and have to: future meaning

Becareful! Use full forms, not contractions, in affirmative short answers. Yes, I will. NOT Yes, I'll.

**Contractions** 

won't = will not

'II = will

#### Other ways to express the future (review)

They're meeting at noon. (present continuous) I'm going to call again at 2:00. (be going to) Our flight leaves in an hour. (simple present tense) The meeting is at 4:00. (present form of verb be)

- PRONOUNCE THE GRAMMAR | Listen and repeat the grammar examples.
- GRAMMAR PRACTICE | Complete the statements and questions in the messages, using will or won't. Use contractions when possible.

1 Message for Ms. Heller: Your husband's flight is delayed. he / not arrive the airport before 6:00.

2 Message from Jan Lang: ...... at 3:00 tomorrow Berlin time. the conference call / start

3 Message for David West: The game started late......home until after 5:00. your children / not be

4 Message from Mr. Gibbs: ..... come into the office early tomorrow?

7 Message for John Anders: ......us tomorrow morning?

where / you / meet



F	LISTEN FOR DETAILS   Listen to the phone r	messages.	Then listen again and complete the
_	message slip, according to the information you	u hear. Use	
	WHILE YOU WERE OUT	2	WHILE YOU WERE OUT
	FOR: Dan Raines		FOR: Ben Young
	FROM Mr. Ms. Mrs. Dr		FROM Mr. Ms. Dr
	Please call Will call again Wants to see you Returned y	our call	Please call Will call again Wants to see you Returned your call
	MESSAGE: He'll be at		MESSAGE:
7	3 WHILE YOU WERE OUT	4	WHILE YOU WERE OUT
	FOR: Lauren Coates		FOR: Dr. Linden
	FROM Mr. Ms. Mrs. Dr.		<b>FROM</b>
	Please call Will call again Wants to see you Returned y	our call	☐ Please call ☐ Will call again ☐ Wants to see you ☐ Returned your call
	MESSAGE:		MESSAGE:
G		<b>hen listen a</b> <mark>Il</mark> bring his l	gain and repeat.
V	COMMUNICATION ACTIVATOR Now let's 1	eave an	d take telephone messages.
В	I   CONVERSATION MODEL   Read and listen.  A: Hello? I'd like to speak to Jack Bates.  B: I'll ring that room for youI'm sorry. He's not Would you like to leave a message?  A: Yes. Please tell him that Chris Oliver called.  B: Could you spell your last name for me?  A: Sure. It's O-L-I-V-E-R. Oh. And please tell him thim at the Clancy Hotel at 6:00 this evening.  B: Is that all?  A: Yes, thanks.    I   PRONUNCIATION PRACTICE   Listen again Then practice the Conversation Model with a process.	chat I'll meet Social lang Say "Is that willingness t	guage all?" to express to do more.
C	CONVERSATION PAIR WORK Role-play the cusing your own ideas. Your partner writes the rate Hello? I'd like to speak to  B: I'll	message. T	

D CHANGE PARTNERS | Role-play the conversation again. Leave other messages.

# Check in to and out of a hotel

A || VOCABULARY | Kinds of hotel rooms and beds | Read and listen. Then listen again and repeat.







a double room

a single room

a suite

If you call

Housekeeping, they'll bring you a rollaway bed.









a twin bed

a queen-size bed

a king-size bed

a rollaway bed

B PAIR WORK | Talk about what kind of room and what kind of bed is best for a traveler who's traveling alone? For a family on vacation?





GRAMMAR | The real conditional

Conditional sentences express the results of actions or conditions. They have an if clause and a result clause.

<u>If</u> clause (the condition)
If the business center is still open,

result clause (the result)

I'll print the programs for the meeting.

Real conditional sentences express factual or future results. When the result is in the future, use <u>will</u> in the result clause.

Factual result = Use present in both clauses
If you reserve a suite, you get a living room.
If a hotel doesn't have a room, I always call a bed and breakfast to see if they have one.

Future result = Use will in the result clause
If he calls her before noon, she'll still be home.
If the Atlantic Hotel doesn't have a room, I'll
call the Pacific to see if they have one.

### Questions

Where will you stay if they don't have a room for tonight?

If there's no coffee shop at the hotel, where will we have breakfast?

In conditional sentences, the clauses can be reversed with no change in meaning. In writing, use a comma when the <u>if</u> clause comes first.

If the restaurant is still open, I'll have dinner in the hotel. I'll have dinner in the hotel if the restaurant is still open.

Be careful! Never use <u>will</u> in the <u>if</u> clause. If you check your voicemail, you'll hear the message.

NOT If you will check your voicemail, you'll hear the message.

#### **GRAMMAR EXPANDER** p. 131

The real conditional (present and future): usage and common errors

D	UNDERSTAND AND PRACTICE THE GRAMMAR   Complete with the real conditional. Then write <u>factual</u> if the sentence expresses a fact. Write <u>future</u> if it expresses a future result.
	2 The hotel's policy has always been that if
	help with my luggage?
g	4 If (you / request) a rollaway bed right now, (they / bring)
	one to your room.  5 If



Now let's check in to and out of a hotel.

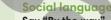
CONVERSATION MODEL Read and listen.

## Checking in

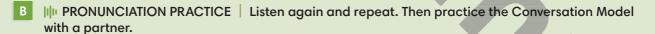
- A: Hello! I'm checking in. The name's Arnold.
- **B:** Do you have a reservation?
- A: Yes. For a double room with two queen-size beds.
- B: Oh, yes. Here it is. May I have your credit card?
- A: Here you go.

#### Checking out

- A: Hello. I'm checking out of room 211. Here's the key.
- **B:** Thank you. Did you have anything from the minibar?
- A: Yes, I did. A bottle of water.
- B: OK. I'll add that to your bill. Would you like to put this on your credit card?
- A: Yes, please. Here you go. By the way, I need to go to the airport.
- B: No problem. If you step outside, you can get the airport shuttle.



Say "By the way" to introduce a new thought.



CONVERSATION PAIR WORK | Role-play checking in to and out of a hotel. Then change roles.

## Checking in

A: .....I'm checking in. The name's .......

**B:** Do you have a reservation?

**A:** Yes. For a ......

B: Oh, yes. Here it is. May I have your credit card?

A: ...

## Checking out

B: Thank you. Did you have anything from the minibar yesterday?

A: ................

**B:** ........... Would you like to put this on your credit card?

A: Yes, please. By the way, I need .........

#### Ideas

Guest: the airport shuttle Ask about services and amenities.

a taxi

the subway a city bus

#### Report a problem. Actually, my TV wasn't working. Ask about transportation.

KEEP TALKING!

Is the business center open?

Is there [a bus stop] near here?

Ask for directions to places near the hotel. How do I get to [the National Museum]?

#### Clerk:

Ask the guest about her or his stay. How was your [stay / room]?

Give directions and other information. Turn left at the corner and walk two blocks.

Watch the video for ideas!

CHANGE PARTNERS | Role-play checking in to and out of a hotel again.



UNIT 4

# Request services in a hotel

A | | | | | VOCABULARY | Ways to request services in a hotel | Read and listen. Then listen again and repeat.



Could someone please take away the dishes?



I'd like a wake-up call, please.



Could someone please pick up the laundry?



Could someone please make up the room?



Could we get some extra [pillows / towels / hangers]?

B ACTIVATE VOCABULARY | With a partner, take turns reading each situation and requesting the service you need.

**Situation 1:** It's 4:00 and your room is a mess.

YOU ......

**Situation 2:** It's noon and your breakfast dishes are on the floor outside your room.

YOU

Situation 3: You have a lot of dirty clothes.

YOU

**Situation 4:** It's midnight and you have an early meeting. You're afraid your alarm won't work.

YOU

**Situation 5:** You and your husband have both taken showers, but now your children want baths.

YOU .....

**Situation 6:** It's 9:00 P.M. and you're hungry, but you don't want to go out.

YOU

С	IN LISTEN TO CONFIRM CONTENT   Listen to
	each conversation. Write <u>T</u> (true), <u>F</u> , (false),
	or NI (no information).

- ...... 2 The electrician fixes the air conditioner.
- ...... 3 The man gives the woman extra towels.
- ...... 4 It's not necessary to iron the clothes.
- ........... 5 The guest finds something she likes on the menu.

D || LISTEN FOR DETAILS | Listen again and circle the correct answer to complete each statement.

- The guest is complaining about her (safe / laptop).
- 2 The (air conditioner / minibar) in the room is making a weird sound.
- 3 The guest needs (a wake-up call / extra glasses).
- 4 The guest wants (laundry / room) service.
- 5 The guest would like (room service / a wake-up call).

E	LISTEN TO SUMMARIZE   Summarize the prob	lem each person is having. Listen again if necessary.
	Compare summaries with a partner.	
	1	4
	2	5

	COMMUNICATION
<b>V</b> >	<b>ACTIVATOR</b>

# Now let's request services in a hotel.

A TALKING POINTS | Look at the situations in rooms 406 and 407. On a separate sheet of paper, make a list of what each guest should say to the hotel staff when he or she calls.

Room 406

I'd like to order room service.



B ROLE PLAY | Role-play two phone conversations. First, Partner A is the guest and Partner B is the hotel staff person. Then change roles. Use the information you wrote in Talking Points and the Vocabulary from page 38 in your role play. Say as much as you can. Start like this:

A: Hello. [Room Service / Front Desk / Housekeeping].

**B:** Hello, this is ..... in Room ......

#### **RECYCLE THIS LANGUAGE**

#### Guest

- \_\_\_ won't open / close / turn on / turn off
- \_\_\_ isn't working / is broken / is clogged
- \_\_ is making a weird sound

#### Staff

I'll connect you with \_\_\_\_ .
I'm sorry about that.
That's ridiculous.
We'll send someone to \_\_\_\_



# Choose vacation accommodations

IIII READING | Read a listing for a short-term vacation rental on a website. What do you think are some upsides and downsides to staying at this rental property?



"Rent an entire house or just a private room-perfect for your vacation!"

Large private bedroom and shared bath in large house Bedford Falls
 1–2 guests

★★★★ (754 Reviews)











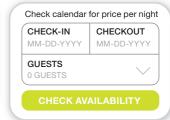






#### **Owners Ivan and Miranda**

We leave early and come back late, so we love having someone in our house. We usually eat out on weeknights, so the kitchen will be all yours! On weekends, we sleep late and are rarely home. While we won't be at the house much during your stay, feel free to contact us with any questions! We also have a lot of local recommendations to share.



#### **Reviews (newest first)** ★★★★ (754 Reviews)



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★★★★ The house is awesome! It's super-clean and comfortable, but a little small. Even though the kitchen is shared with owners Miranda and Ivan, they don't cook much, so you feel like the whole house is yours! And when they're there, they're so much fun to talk to. I'd like them to be there more! One of the things I like most about these rentals is getting to know the owners. Near the art museum and everything else.

dog, Puffy. But when I arrived, Ivan told me the dog had to stay outside. I have friends in Bedford Falls, and I was looking forward to inviting them for drinks and some good conversation. But Ivan said that if I wanted to invite guests, I had to ask permission first. Next time, I'll remember to ask a lot of guestions! Upside? The bedroom door has a lock and the owners never use the kitchen, so it's all yours.

\*\*\* \*\* This was our second stay, and it was even better than the first. Excellent location. Walking distance to a 24/7 supermarket. I'm a gourmet cook, and I like a kitchen where I can create classic French dishes. This place has a truly great gourmet kitchen. But if you feel like eating out, it's near lots of restaurants. Owners are always available for information, and especially for restaurant recommendations. But they're never in your way. Great place if you like privacy. If you want a home away from home, you won't be disappointed.

IDENTIFY SUPPORTING DETAILS | Circle one or more answers to each question. With a partner, identify the source of your answers.

GourmetGary says it's a 'great' place if you like privacy."

- 1 Who appreciates privacy? (Raymond / CityGirl / GourmetGary)
- 2 Who recommends this rental property? (Raymond / CityGirl / GourmetGary)
- 3 Who thinks the lock on the bedroom door is important? (Raymond / CityGirl / GourmetGary)
- 4 Who posted positive comments about the kitchen? (Raymond / CityGirl / GourmetGary)
- MAKE PERSONAL CONNECTIONS | Which of the three guests are you most like? Discuss with a partner.



# Now let's choose vacation accommodations.

TALKING POINTS | Look at two listings for vacation rental properties. Make notes of the upsides and downsides of each property for you on the notepad.



## Modern 2BR apartment in town center

· Near theaters, restaurants, shopping

Categories

\$\$ = budget

\$\$\$ = affordable

**\$\$\$\$-\$\$\$\$** = luxury

- \$\$
- · Air conditioning
- Washer / dryer
- Microwave
- · Coffee maker
- Dishes and utensils
- Towels
- Wi-Fi

#### See more amenities

#### **Policies**

- Check-in 4:00 P.M. Check-out 10:00 A.M.
- · No parties / events
- No smoking
- No pets
- No parking
- · Children welcome



#### Luxurious 5 BR beachfront house

Categories

\$\$ = budget

\$\$\$ = affordable

\$\$\$\$-\$\$\$\$ = luxury

- · Right on the beach. Walk to Sunset Island Ferries
- Total privacy
- \$\$\$\$\$
- Air conditioning
- Satellite / Cable TV
- Ultra-fast Internet
- Private parking
- Washer / dryer
- Full gourmet kitchen
- Espresso machine
- Hot tub
- Towels
- Wi-Fi

## See 30 additional amenities

#### **Policies**

- Check-in 3:00 р.м.
- Check-out 2:00 P.M.
- No smoking
- No children under 12

DISCUSSION | Choose the property that you would like to rent. Discuss your reasons with a partner.

**OPTIONAL** Underline new words or phrases in the Reading you can use in your Discussion.

Example: "a no-smoking policy"

Silver City Upsides affordable **Downsides** only has two bedrooms

Silver City **Upsides** 

**Downsides** 

**Gold Coast** 

**Upsides** 

**Downsides** 

[ I'd like to rent the Gold Coast house, but it looks too expensive. But I'm not sure about the Silver City apartment because it doesn't have parking.

> SOFT SKILLS BOOSTER p. 156

### WRITING

Look at the kinds of accommodations in the Warm-Up on page 37. Choose one kind that you have stayed in and write a review of the place. (Note: If you haven't ever stayed in one of those, interview someone who has and write a review from that person's perspective). Describe its amenities, its upsides, and its downsides. Write what you enjoyed about the place and what you didn't like.

Last December, my family and I went to Disney World in the United States. We stayed in an inexpensive hotel not far from the park. It had a kitchen, so we made our own breakfast instead of going to a restaurant. But at night, we had to look for a place to eat. The room was very comfortable, but it wasn't very clean....

#### **WRITING HANDBOOK** p. 146

UNIT 4

- Avoiding sentence fragments with because or since
- Guidance for this writing exercise



# TIC-TAC-TOE WHAT WILL THEY DO?

- Play with a partner. Flip a coin to decide who goes first. That person is "X," and the other is "O."
- Choose any square and answer the question in a complete sentence, using the future with <u>will</u> and language from Unit 4. If your partner agrees your answer is correct, write an X on your square. Then your partner chooses a square and, if you agree the answer is correct, writes an O on that square.
- The first person to get three squares in a row says, "Tic-Tac-Toe!" and wins.

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THREE WAYS TO GET TIC-TAC-TOF								





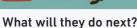


What hotel service will he call?

How will she get to the airport?

What will they do?







How will he pay for his room?



What will she ask for?



What will they do while they're eating?



What will he ask for?



What will she leave?



NOW I CAN

For more practice . . .

Unit Review / Connect TV
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