

**The Q Classroom**

Activity A, p. 40

Answers may vary. Possible answers:

1. I get vacation twice a year. In the summer, I have vacation for a long time. I think teachers have the most vacation time. I think jobs in the medical field have the least amount of vacation time.
2. Yes, this is a vacation I would take. The beach looks relaxing. I like to swim. / No, this is not a vacation I would take. I prefer to go on vacation to cold places.

Activity B, p. 40

1. We have more energy when we come back from vacation.
2. because stress is bad for your health
3. because you have more time to think about what is important to you

**PREVIEW THE UNIT**

Activity A, iQ Online Resource

Answers will vary. Possible answers:

I like hiking best. I also like going to the desert. I do not like to visit theme parks. I am afraid of roller coasters.

Activity B, iQ Online Resource

Answers will vary.

**READING 1**

**PREVIEW THE READING**

Activity A, p. 42

1. produce
2. rest
3. compete
4. improve
5. employees
6. policy
7. average
8. likely

Activity C, p. 43

1. Christine Drake, President
2. Employees of Toys Inc.
3. Vacation Policy

Activity D, p. 43

Answers will vary. Possible answer:

Some jobs require that their employees go on vacation. Some jobs do not offer paid vacations. Some companies have “floating” vacation days.

**WORK WITH THE READING**

Activity B, p. 45

1. Policy B
2. Policy A
3. Policy A
4. Policy B

Activity C, p. 46

1. d
2. a
3. c
4. b

Activity D, p. 46

<b>Reasons for Policy A</b>	<b>Reasons against Policy A</b>
all employees get a real vacation no one calls in to work while on vacation	difficult to compete with other companies
<b>Reasons for Policy B</b>	<b>Reasons against Policy B</b>
flexible vacation time several short vacations	more co-worker stress

**READING SKILL**

Activity A, p. 47

1. Vacation Time Employees Use Each Year
2. 50%
3. 25%

Activity B, pp. 48–49

1. Vacation Days per Year
2. Brazil, France
3. 14
4. 10

5. 25
6. 25
7. Answers will vary.
8. Answers will vary.

Activity C, p. 49

1. Reasons Employees Do Not Take Vacation
2. It's too expensive.
3. 1
4. 40

**WRITE WHAT YOU THINK**

Activity A, B, p. 50

Answers will vary. Possible answers:

1. Policy A closes the company. Policy B does not allow employees to save their vacation days. Two more ideas are to set an example (the president and managers take vacations) and to hire temporary workers to make it easier to take vacation.
2. People can relax when they listen to music or do things they like. Proper sleep, food, and exercise can also help people relax.

**READING 2**

**PREVIEW THE READING**

Activity A, pp. 50–51

1. a
2. a
3. b
4. b
5. b
6. a
7. b

Vocabulary Skill Review, p. 50

Answers will vary. Possible answers:

*benefactor, beneficial, beneficiary, benevolent*

Activity C, p. 51

1. Dr. Sanders

2. Managing Life and Work
3. Is a short vacation better than a long one?

Activity D, p. 51

Answers will vary. Possible answers:

I prefer long vacations because they give me more time to make decisions.

I prefer short vacations because I like to plan vacations more than I like to take vacations.

**WORK WITH THE READING**

Activity B, p. 52

- Short and long vacations have different benefits.

Activity C, p. 53

1. S
2. L
3. S
4. S
5. S
6. L
7. L
8. L

Activity D, p. 53

Answers will vary. Possible answers:

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give me more time to make decisions. /

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vacations.

**WRITE WHAT YOU THINK**

Activity A, p. 54

Answers will vary. Possible answers:

1. a, b, c. I like to explore, relax, and spend time with my family.

2. My idea of a great vacation is going to the beach every day. I want to go to a tropical island. I want to swim a lot and get better sleep.

Activity C, p. 54

Answers will vary. Possible answers:

1. One long vacation is better for children because it gives them the opportunity to spend time with their families.

It is better for children to have several short vacations because they won't forget what they were taught in school.

2. People should take more vacations because it is important to have time to do things other than work. People should not take more vacations because vacations can be stressful and expensive.

#### VOCABULARY SKILL

Activity A, p. 55

1. life experiences
2. work experience
3. relaxation time
4. work time
5. job stress
6. family stress
7. summer vacation
8. vacation policy
9. school year
10. work schedule
11. company president
12. work email

Activity B, p. 56

1. How long is your school year?
2. How many days of vacation do you get?
3. What do you do on your summer vacation?
4. What are your vacation plans this year?
5. How often do you check your work email from home?
6. What is your employer's vacation policy?

7. What time do you take your lunch break?
8. What is your favorite vacation spot?

#### WRITING SKILL

Activity A, pp. 57–58

1. TS: Vacations are not the right answer to worker stress. SS: First of all, one or two vacations a year cannot reduce the stress of many days of long work hours. SS: Also, vacations can actually be very stressful because they are expensive. SS: Finally, people lived for thousands of years without vacations. CS: Vacations are not necessary.
2. TS: In many countries, workers don't have much vacation time, but in some countries in Europe, long summer vacations are the law. SS: In Sweden and Finland, employers must give employees a four-week-long summer vacation. SS: In Denmark, employees have 15 days, and in Norway, they have 18 days off at a time in the summer. SS: In Greece, all workers get two complete weeks off in the summer. CS: In Europe, long summer vacations are part of the work calendar.
3. TS: Family vacations are a great way to have fun together and learn more about our country. SS: We often go to festivals, like Janadriyah, that celebrate traditional Arab life and arts. SS: We also visit the historic cities, like Jeddah on the Red Sea, to see the sights and visit the neighborhoods. SS: Sometimes we go to the mountains to hike. CS: Our vacations help us connect to each other and to our Arab traditions.

Activity B, pp. 58–59

1. 5, 3, 1, 4, 2
2. 1, 4, 2, 5, 3
3. 2, 4, 1, 5, 3

Activity C, p. 59

Answers will vary. Sample answer:

Summer vacation is an opportunity to learn about the world. First of all, children can discover nature by hiking in the mountains or going to beaches. Also, they can go to an art program to learn about art. Finally, as they get older, teenagers can travel abroad in the summer. All these experiences are possible on long summer vacations.

### **GRAMMAR**

Activity A, pp. 60–61

1.
  - a. People take vacations because they need a break from work.
  - b. Because people need a break from work, they take vacations.
2.
  - a. Truck drivers have a lot of job stress because they work long hours.
  - b. Because truck drivers work long hours, they have a lot of job stress.
3.
  - a. Children had long summer vacations because they worked on farms.
  - b. Because children worked on farms, they had long summer vacations.
4.
  - a. Some employees don't take vacations because they don't have paid vacation.
  - b. Because some employees don't have paid vacation, they don't take vacations.
- 5.

- a. Some employees have special schedules because they have family needs.
- b. Because some employees have family needs, they have special schedules.

6.

- a. Vacations are good because they give families time together.
- b. Because vacations give families time together, they are good.

Activity B, p. 62

Answers will vary. Sample answers:

1. I like to go on vacation in the summer because it is warm.
2. Today, people have a lot of work stress because they often do the jobs of several people.

### **UNIT ASSIGNMENT**

#### **PLAN AND WRITE**

Activity A, iQ Online Resource

Answers will vary.

Activity B, iQ Online Resource

Answers will vary.

Activity C, iQ Online Resource

Answers will vary.