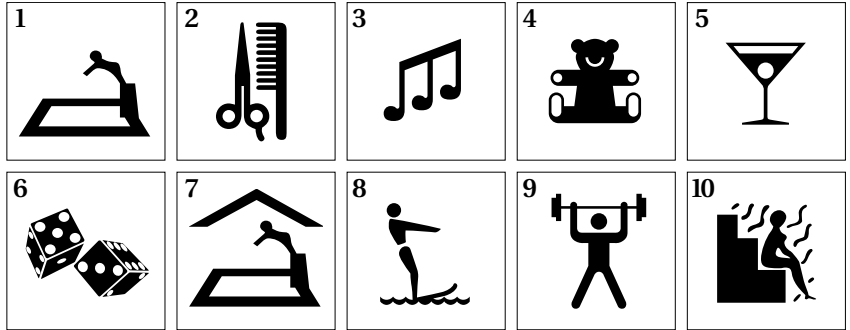


Before you read

1 Match the facilities (a–j) with the symbols (1–10).

- a fitness centre
- b watersports
- c nightclub
- d casino
- e sauna
- f bars
- g hairdresser
- h indoor swimming pool
- i babysitting service
- j outdoor swimming pool



Reading

2 Read this brochure information about the Miramar Resort Hotel. Find five facilities not mentioned in Exercise 1. Do you know what they are?

*** Miramar Resort Hotel

A luxurious hotel set in beautiful gardens, with a private beach and a full range of facilities.

Rooms

Our comfortable rooms are temperature-controlled and all have a bathroom with hairdryer, satellite TV, radio, direct-dial phone, electronic security box, minibar, and balcony.

Room upgrades

Superior twin rooms and suites are available.

Facilities

250 rooms – sun terraces and tropical gardens – private beach with beach club and lifeguard – watersports such as waterskiing – children’s club with qualified staff – tennis club – indoor and outdoor pools – children’s pool – fitness centre with gym, sauna, and massage service – shopping centre – six bars, including a beach bar – quiet lounge for reading – daily excursions – nightclub.

Prices (winter 2002–2003)

Prices are per person for seven nights, based on two adults sharing a twin room, and are on a bed and breakfast basis. There is a supplement of £30 for half board and £50 for full board.

Low season

(1st Nov–21st December, 1st Jan–15th March)
£599–£749

High season

(22nd–31st Dec, 16th March–30th October) £799–£999

3 Here are some questions asked by guests who wanted to book a holiday at the Miramar. Find and underline the answers in the text.

- 1 We have two young children, but we want to enjoy all the facilities. Is there someone to look after them?
- 2 Where do we leave our valuables when we’re on the beach?
- 3 Sometimes I just need to be quiet and get away from everything. Is there somewhere?
- 4 I’ve heard it’s very hot. Will we be able to sleep?
- 5 I like to keep fit, but I’m not a good swimmer – what can I do?

Writing

4 Work in pairs. Design your own resort hotel. Decide where it is, what facilities it has, what the rooms are like, and how much it costs to stay there. Then write some information for a holiday brochure.

Speaking

5 Work in different pairs. With your new partner, ask and answer questions about your resort hotels from Exercise 4. Exchange information about name, location, number of rooms, prices, and so on.

Get real

Work in groups. Collect information about holiday destinations from brochures or the Internet. Plan a ‘travel programme’ for TV, in which TV presenters visit holiday destinations and comment on the location, the facilities, the price and so on. Decide which places you are going to review. Decide what facilities each person is going to look at and so on. Present your idea to the class and decide whose programme is the most interesting.