

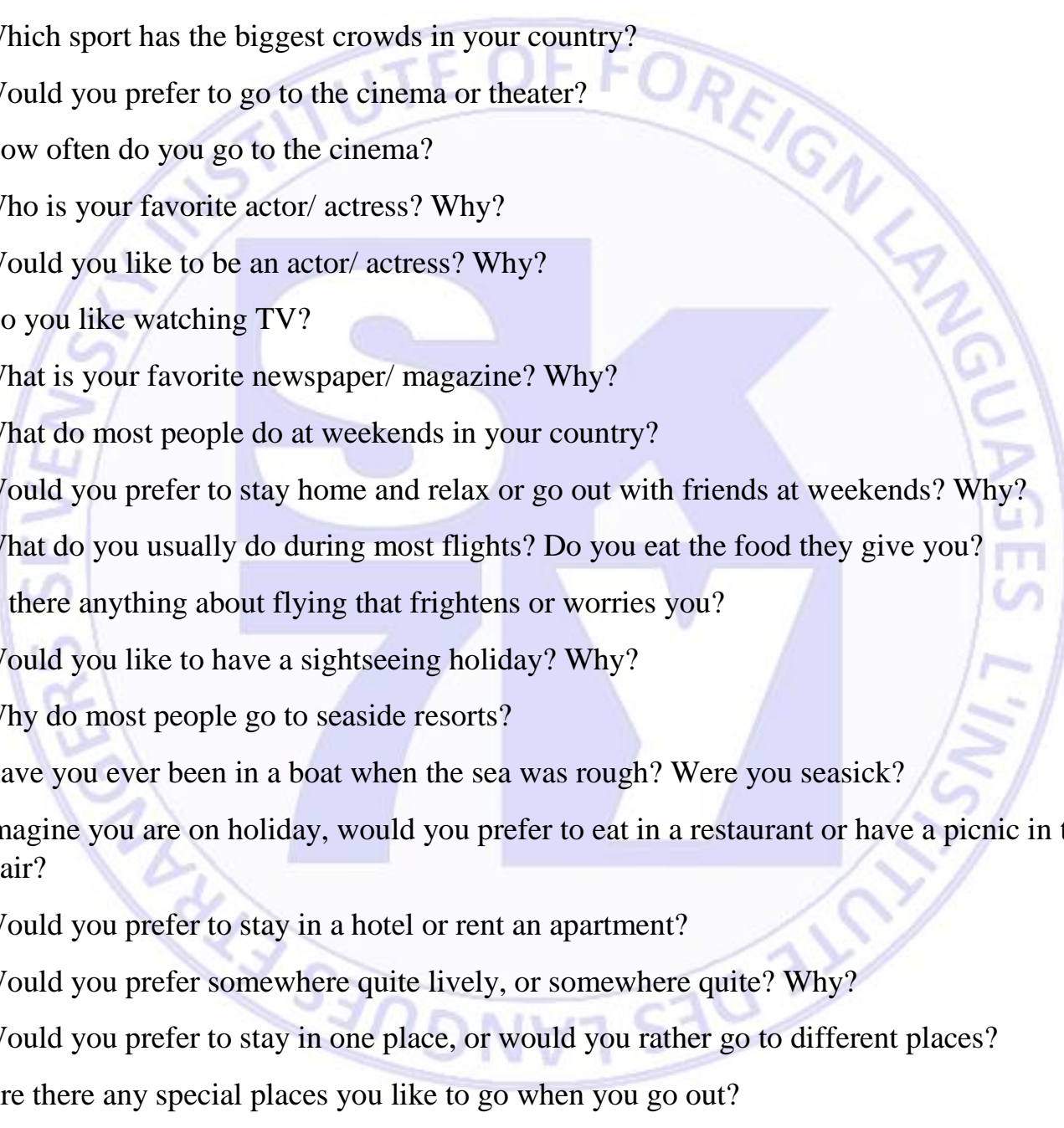
My Hobbies

I'm a philatelist. I collect all sort of stamps for pleasure. I really enjoy going round the shops looking for different kinds of stamps. I took up collecting stamps when I was at school. I think this is a very good hobby. I've also joined a club where members can exchange stamps. I don't really do anything else in my spare time.

In summer holidays, I often go on a trip with my sister. She is a great traveler. She's been to every country in Europe. We were on a tour round the United States last summer. I'm not taking any leave this summer. I think I get more pleasure out of collecting old stamps than anything else

Questions

1. What do you like doing in your spare time?
2. Have you got a hobby? If so, what is it?
3. Is it an expensive hobby in your country?
4. What do teenagers like doing in your country?
5. What hobbies are usually expensive in your country?
6. What do you like about your hobby?
7. How much time do you spend on your hobby?
8. Is your hobby a common hobby in your country?
9. Are there any hobbies that you would like to take up?
10. Have you ever been abroad?
11. What other countries have you visited?
12. Are there any countries that you would like to visit?
13. What do you find interesting/ difficult about traveling?
14. What is your preferred method of travel?
15. Who would you like most to go on holiday with?
16. What was the best/ worst holiday you've ever had?
17. How would you like to travel around?
18. Are there any games/ sports that you watch but don't play /do
19. What games/ sports do you play/ do?
20. What games/ sports are you good at?

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21. Are there any activities that you hate? Why?
22. What games are not played much in your country?
23. Which sport is the most popular in your country?
24. Which sport is the most dangerous in your country?
25. Which game or sport requires the most strength?
26. Which sport has the biggest crowds in your country?
27. Would you prefer to go to the cinema or theater?
28. How often do you go to the cinema?
29. Who is your favorite actor/ actress? Why?
30. Would you like to be an actor/ actress? Why?
31. Do you like watching TV?
32. What is your favorite newspaper/ magazine? Why?
33. What do most people do at weekends in your country?
34. Would you prefer to stay home and relax or go out with friends at weekends? Why?
35. What do you usually do during most flights? Do you eat the food they give you?
36. Is there anything about flying that frightens or worries you?
37. Would you like to have a sightseeing holiday? Why?
38. Why do most people go to seaside resorts?
39. Have you ever been in a boat when the sea was rough? Were you seasick?
40. Imagine you are on holiday, would you prefer to eat in a restaurant or have a picnic in the open air?
41. Would you prefer to stay in a hotel or rent an apartment?
42. Would you prefer somewhere quite lively, or somewhere quite? Why?
43. Would you prefer to stay in one place, or would you rather go to different places?
44. Are there any special places you like to go when you go out?
45. What indoor activities do you enjoy?
46. Do you much watch television? What do you like to watch on TV?
47. Do you like traveling? What interesting places have you visited?
48. What method of transport do you use most and why?

Hobbies

1. I've <u>joined a club</u> where I can play chess.	(become a member of a club)
2. I am a <u>philatelist</u> . I collect all sorts of stamps.	(a person who collects stamps for pleasure)
3. I often <u>go camping</u> in the summer.	(to live in a camp or outdoors)
4. I <u>do</u> a bit of / a lot of <u>climbing</u> .	(go mountain climbing)
5. I <u>make my own clothes</u> .	(I make clothes for myself. I don't buy them)
6. I like <u>photography</u> .	
7. I am mad about <u>DIY</u> . I think this is a very good hobby for people who have a house but don't have much money.	(do it yourself; the activity of making and repairing things yourself around your home)
8. I took up golf when I was at school.	(to start a hobby for the first time)
9. I <u>gave up</u> photography.	(to stop doing a hobby)
10. I <u>collect antiques</u> . I really enjoy going round the shops looking for a bargain.	
11. I try to practice <u>playing</u> the guitar every day.	(to make music with a musical instrument)
12. I usually <u>go jogging</u> two or three times a week.	(run slowly, especially a form of exercise)
13. I took up <u>hiking</u> because I wanted to get more exercise.	(a long walk in the country)
14. I don't really do anything in my <u>spare time</u> .	(time when you are not working)
15. In winter, I <u>do</u> quite <u>a lot of skiing</u> .	(in English you normally do a lot of/ a bit of sport)
16. In summer, I <u>play tennis and cricket</u> .	
Holiday making	
17. My aunt is a great <u>traveler</u> . She's been to every country in Europe.	
18. We <u>toured/ went/ were on a tour</u> round France last summer.	(to make a journey for pleasure during which you visit many places)
19. I will be <u>going overseas</u> in my new job.	(to travel to another country across the sea)
20. The island's economy is heavily dependent on <u>tourism</u> .	
21. We went on an <u>excursion</u> to the mountains.	(an organized trip with a group of people)
22. I'm not <u>taking</u> any <u>holiday/ vacation</u> (Ame) <u>leave</u> (noun) this summer.	(time when you do not go to work for a special reason)

23. I am taking a short break and going to my sister's for a few days.	(a short period of time when you do not working)
24. You look exhausted. You should take a few days off and relax.	(not present at work)
25. I can't come I'm afraid. I'm on holiday/ off that week.	(to leave your home and go somewhere else for a holiday)
26. We're only going away for a few days.	(to leave your home and go somewhere else for a holiday)
27. We're booked two weeks in Kish island in July.	(to reserve and pay for a holiday before you go)
28. They run a small resort hotel in Vermont.	
29. I bought a model of the Eiffel Tower as a souvenir of Paris.	(something that you buy on holiday (for your friend) as a reminder of that place)
30. We traveled overland to Hamadan and then flew on to Shiraz.	(by road or rail)
31. They voyaged from England to Iran used to take four months.	(a long journey by sea)
32. We decided to cruising in the Mediterranean.	(to travel by sea, visiting a number of places/ as a holiday)
33. We take/ get/ catch the train/ bus, to Tabriz and then got a bus to where she lives.	(to travel to a place by train, bus, plane)
34. We headed for/ made for (infml) the town center.	(to travel toward somewhere)
35. We stopped off in Paris en route to Nice.	(on the way to somewhere)
36. The travel agent suggested some changes to my itinerary .	(a plan of a journey, route, etc)
37. One of the most famous landmarks in Tehran is Milad Tower.	(an object especially a building, that can be seen from a distance)
38. We had been on the move for 24 hours and were absolutely exhausted.	(to be traveling)
39. We made a stopover at Frankfurt on the way to Tokyo.	(a short stop on a journey)
40. I'm learning Spanish, just for fun .	(you do sth for enjoyment and pleasure)
41. Let your hair down (infml) for one!	(to allow yourself enjoy sth freely, without worrying about what other people think)
42. We had the time of our lives.	(to enjoy sth very much)
43. I have to amuse myself for a few hours while I waited for her to arrive.	(to keep yourself entertained)