A Day at the Beach

1 **Listen to the speakers. Write the questions that they answer.** 🔊 **Track 1**

a. Speaker #1: _____ ?

b. Speaker #2: _____ ?

c. Speaker #3: _____ ?

2 **Sort the words by writing them in the correct categories.**

family	hot dog	player	neighbor	sandwich
volleyball	soccer	trip	swimming	snorkeling
baseball	candy bar	cousin	barbeque	hamburger
friend	potato chips	chef		

PEOPLE

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ACTIVITIES

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FOOD

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③ Listen to each dialog and read along. 🔊 **Track 2**

PEOPLE

A: **Where is the nearest beach to you?**
B: The nearest beach to my house is just a 30-minute drive away.
A: **What is the weather usually like there?**
B: The weather there is usually very nice.
A: **How would you describe it?**
B: It can be hot or cool, and there is often a light breeze, too.

ACTIVITIES

A: **Why do people like to listen to music when they relax at the beach?**
B: It is very relaxing to listen to music. Music puts people in a good mood.
A: **Do you like to do that?**
B: I like to listen to music when I am lying on the sand.
A: **What do you usually use to do that?**
B: I usually bring my MP3 player with me. I have a lot of my favorite songs on it, so I just browse through them. Sometimes I make a special music play list for the day, which I listen to.

FOOD

A: **When you go to the beach, what food do you usually prepare?**
B: I usually make sandwiches, hamburgers, or hot dogs. Sometimes I bring potato chips or a candy bar if I am not staying at the beach for long.
A: **Why do you like to prepare this kind of food?**
B: These types of food are simple to prepare and are very tasty.
A: **How do you prepare this kind of food?**
B: We usually make the sandwiches at home. We make the hamburgers and hot dogs on the barbeque at the beach. My mom is a chef, so she cooks excellent food.
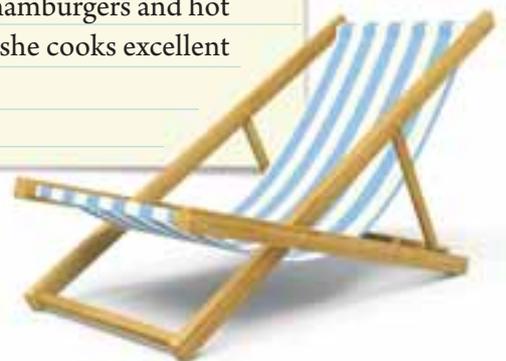
Now practice these dialogs with a classmate.

4 **Choose one of the questions below. Prepare your answer to this question by writing notes below. Use the questions from Part 3 to help with your notes.**

a. When was the last time you went to the beach?

b. When you go to the beach with your friends, what do you do there?

c. When you go to the beach, what food do you usually prepare?

Question: _____

My Notes

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Now interview two classmates. They will interview you as well.
First, ask which question they chose. Then take notes on each answer.

My Classmates

Name: _____

Question: _____

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Name: _____

Question: _____

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5 **Tell your class about one of the classmates you interviewed.**

Example:

I talked to Alice. She told me about the last time she went to the beach. She said that she went to the beach last summer. She went there with her parents and her grandmother. Her father spent the day fishing while she looked for shells with her mother and grandmother.

Rate your own speaking

Information:	OK	Good	Excellent
Fluency:	OK	Good	Excellent
Pronunciation:	OK	Good	Excellent

6 Listen to each response and match it to the question it answers. 🔊 **Track 3**

a. Do you like to play beach volleyball? Are you good at it? Explain.

b. Why do you think people like to spend time at the beach? Explain.

c. Why is it important to have lifeguards at the beach?

- Response #1
- Response #2
- Response #3

For more practice, look at the transcripts on page 1 and practice these responses with a classmate.

7 Choose one of the questions below. Prepare your own response to this question by writing notes in the provided space. Be sure to explain your answer.

a. Do you like to play beach volleyball? Are you good at it? Explain.

b. Why do you think people like to spend time at the beach? Explain.

c. Why is it important to have lifeguards at the beach?

Now share your response with a classmate.

Question: _____

My Notes
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✔ **Rate your classmate's response:**

Information:	OK	Good	Excellent
Fluency:	OK	Good	Excellent
Pronunciation:	OK	Good	Excellent

EXTRA PRACTICE

Try answering one or more of these questions for extra practice. Use at least three sentences in your response to each question.

1. Why is it important to apply sunscreen lotion when you are at the beach? What do you look for when you are buying sunscreen lotions?
2. What games do you usually play at the beach?
3. How do you find the most comfortable spot at the beach?
4. Do you like it when people next to you listen to loud music at the beach?