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# Vacation Time

Unit  
**1**

- A** What did you do on your last vacation?  
Discuss your answers.

Before You Write

- B** 2 Read the email.



Hi!

I'm having a great time on my vacation! I'm at the beach!

Today I went swimming. My family and I had a barbecue on the beach for dinner. It was really delicious! Then we enjoyed a perfect sunset.

My father had promised to take us to the beach for a vacation a long time ago. But he had been too busy.

Tomorrow I'm going to go snorkeling. I'll go to a special reef. I wish I could stay here forever!

Bye!



- C** Check [✓] the paragraph that answers the question.

Which paragraph describes	1	2	3	4
a what will happen in the future?				✓
b what is happening in the present?				
c what happened in the past?				
d what happened in a time before other events in the past?				

**Writing Skill**

**Understanding time**

When you write something, it is important to use correct verb forms to show the different times things are happening. Look at the table.

Time	Verb form
In the future	I <b>will/am going to</b> look ... The weather <b>will be/is going to be</b> ...
In the present	I <b>am</b> looking ... The weather <b>is</b> ...
In the past	I <b>looked</b> ... The weather <b>was</b> ...
In a time before other events in the past	I <b>had looked</b> ... The weather <b>had been</b> ...

**Writing Practice**

**D** Rewrite the sentences using the correct verb forms. Then circle each verb form.

- We had been at the beach. → In the future  
We will be at the beach.
- The weather was great. → In the present  
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- I went hiking in the mountains. → In a time before other events in the past  
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- I am swimming at the pool. → In the past  
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**E** Write a sentence about each picture using the correct verb form.



girl / read  
(in the present)

The girl is reading a book.



boy / ride  
(in the past)



family / camp  
(in a time before other events in the past)



boy / eat  
(in the future)

## Integration



3-4 Listen and write exactly what you hear.

terrible raincoats forgotten nobody freezing

Sample

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Work with a classmate and write four sentences about summer vacations.

(In the future)

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(In the present)

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(In the past)

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(In a time before other events in the past)

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Use things you did during your last summer vacation in your sentences.



Read your sentences to the class.