
ANSWER KEY

Unit 6**A**

Ed went to Samos, one of the Greek islands.

He stayed in a really nice hotel. It had great facilities – a big swimming pool, stunning views of the beach, a nice bar. Samos itself is a resort for old people!

He'd usually wake up and go downstairs for breakfast, then go back upstairs and have a nap.

He'd go down to the beach around 11 and have a swim, then he'd read and then have lunch.

He did as little as possible!

The food was great. Greek and Turkish food is quite similar, but he tried to stick to the dishes he'd never heard of, the ones that don't exist in Turkey.

The people were very welcoming. He'd anticipated some problems because he's Turkish, but said everyone was great. It was amazing how many people had grandparents from Turkey or had once lived there, and everyone just kept saying we were neighbours and we share a common past and it was all just politics.

Emma spent two weeks doing ten hours of meditation a day in an ashram in Yangon in Myanmar / Burma.

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- 1 one of the Greek islands
- 2 stunning views of the beach
- 3 a beach person
- 4 stayed in the shade
- 5 I would wake up and go downstairs
- 6 if you don't mind me asking
- 7 I didn't know you had
- 8 a resort for old people
- 9 mostly traditional Greek food
- 10 everyone was incredibly welcoming
- 11 go anywhere in the holidays
- 12 you were into that

VIDEO SCRIPT

Emma So, did you go anywhere in the holidays?

Ed Yes, I did. I went to Samos, one of the Greek islands, for six days.

Emma Sounds great. What kind of place were you staying in?

Ed We were in a big hotel called the Glicorisa Beach Hotel.

Emma And what was that like? Was it nice?

Ed Yeah, really great. It has great facilities – a big swimming pool, stunning views of the beach and a nice bar.

Emma You must be a beach person, then? Were you sunbathing and swimming every day?

Ed No, not really. It gets unbearably hot in the middle of the day, so usually I just stayed in the shade, reading and sleeping. Taking it easy.

Emma So what was your average day? How did you spend your time?

Ed Well, I would wake up and go downstairs for breakfast and then usually go back upstairs and have a nap. Maybe go down to the beach for a swim around eleven. Read. Go and have lunch. Mostly just doing absolutely nothing, to be honest.

Emma So, who did you go with, if you don't mind me asking?

Ed My girlfriend.

Emma Oh. I didn't know you had a girlfriend.

Ed You never asked me before!

Emma You're probably right. So ... what was the island like? Is it a good place to stay?

Ed Mostly it is a resort for old people.

Emma So you went there to make yourself feel young again?

Ed Ha ha! No, not really, but it happened anyway.

Emma What was the food like? Was it good?

Ed Yeah. It was mostly traditional Greek food and we always had the same discussion – was it really Greek or Turkish! We were really surprised by all the familiar dishes and their familiar names but we usually chose the real Greek ones that don't exist in Turkey.

Emma And how did you get on with the local people? Wasn't it strange being Turkish there?

Ed It's funny you say that. I had anticipated maybe some problems, but actually everyone was incredibly welcoming. It was amazing how many people had grandparents from Turkey or who had once lived there, and everyone just kept saying we were neighbours and we share a common past and it was all just politics, you know! Anyway, what about you? Did you go anywhere in the holidays?

Emma Yes, I spent two weeks in an ashram in Myanmar, in Yangon.

Ed You stayed where?

Emma An ashram – it's a special place where monks live and practise, and you can go there and stay and meditate and do yoga.

Ed Ah! OK. I didn't know you were into that. So, where was it again?

Emma Myanmar. Burma.

Ed OK, so what were you doing there? Yoga?

Emma No, meditation. Vipassana meditation. It's Buddhist. I did ten hours every day.

Ed Seriously? Isn't that a bit boring?

Emma No, not at all. You just don't understand it. Maybe you should try it. To help you calm down.