

FUTURE PLANS

AudioScript

B

Listen to four people talk about possible plans for the summer. Check the plans they are considering.

Stan

Stan: I really should study it during the summer vacation. It's a skill I really need. And these days, every time you apply for a job, they expect you to be good at it. But if I do it, I won't be able to go away with my parents on the camping trip. That's something we do every summer, and I really love it.

Janet

Janet: I've been thinking about learning it for a long time. It's really very useful, especially if you're traveling in Central or South America. My friend speaks it pretty well and said it wasn't that difficult to learn. But if I do it, I'll have to take classes every evening, which is the only time I'm free. And then I won't be able to see my boyfriend as much, and I don't think he'd like that.

Tammy

Tammy: I used to be in much better shape, but I stopped playing tennis last year. Since then, I've gotten really lazy. I used to go twice a week, and I've been thinking of starting to go again. It would really help me stay in shape and have more energy. But if I do it, I'll have to buy a car because the nearest one is really far away from our house.

Stuart

Stuart: I really need to get a new one. Mine is so slow. It takes a long time to turn it on, and I can't have many programs open at a time. It's also really big, so I want to get a smaller, lighter one. It's going to take some time. I want to research them and pick out the best one. But I really want to get it this summer so that I'll be comfortable with it before I start classes in September. If I get a new one, it's going to be easier to study and do research. It's really important to me, but there's just one problem: If I do buy one, I won't be able to go on vacation with my friends. Those things can be pretty expensive!

C

Listen again. What are the negative consequences of each plan? Complete the sentences.

Answers

A

Answers will vary.

B

Stan: b
Janet: b
Tammy: a
Stuart: a

C

1. go camping with his parents
2. see her boyfriend as much
3. buy a car
4. go on vacation with his friends

D

Answers will vary.

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A PAIR WORK The man is trying to decide what to do this summer. Look at the picture. What do you think his choices are?



B Listen to four people talk about possible plans for the summer. Check (✓) the plans they are considering.

Stan

- ☐ a. going waterskiing
- ☐ b. taking a computer course

Janet

- ☐ a. taking dancing lessons
- ☐ b. taking a Spanish course

Tammy

- ☐ a. going to a gym regularly
- ☐ b. taking cooking classes

Stuart

- ☐ a. buying a new laptop
- ☐ b. buying a new car

C Listen again. What are the negative consequences of each plan? Complete the sentences.

1. If Stan does this, he won't be able to _____.
2. If Janet does this, she won't be able to _____.
3. If Tammy does this, she'll have to _____.
4. If Stuart does this, he won't be able to _____.

D PAIR WORK Write a positive consequence for each plan in part B. Then decide what you would do. Give reasons for your choices.