



Lesson 19: Taking a Day Off

Exercise 01

Vocabulary

day off	(N)	a day when you don't work	Why don't you take a day off ?
a couple of weeks	(PHASE)	two or a few weeks	He was on a trip for a couple of weeks .
tons of	(PHASE)	a lot of	She bought tons of souvenirs for us.
miserable	(ADJ)	unhappy	It was a miserable situation that I'll never forget.

Exercise 02

Dialogue Practice

Read the dialogue aloud with your teacher.

Camel and Celine are talking about their days off.



Celine

You look happy!



Camel

Absolutely! Finally, I'll have a day off! I have been so busy these past couple of weeks that I haven't had any rest. What about you? How's your work going?



Celine

I will go on a business trip to the United States next week.





Camel

That sounds great! If I were you, I'd take tons of pictures...



Celine

It's not so great! I'll be away from my family for three months, and I might not get many days off while I'm there. I feel miserable.



Camel

I understand how you feel. Anyway, I hope you'll have a nice trip!



Celine

Thanks!

Check your understanding:

- Why was Camel so happy with his day off?
- What is the reason Celine is traveling to the United States?
- How does Celine feel about his business trip?

Exercise 03

Role Play

Role-play the following situation with your teacher.

Situation:

- You have a day off.
- Your teacher is your co-worker.
- Tell your teacher how you are going to spend your day off.



Exercise 04

Discussion

- 1) What do you think is the best number of days off in one week?
- 2) How do you usually spend your day off?
- 3) What do you think about people who spend their days off sleeping?
- 4) What special activities do you plan for your days off?
- 5) What was the longest number of days off you have ever had? How did you spend them?

