

1 Complete the text with the words in the box.

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itinerary off the beaten track offset their carbon
footprint self-catering staycations tourism tax

Recently travel companies have had to reinvent themselves due to market changes. Some have seen an increase in the demand for ¹ staycations as people have chosen to get to know their own country. Many families like the idea of ² accommodation where they can prepare their own meals, especially if they are staying in places that are ³ without easy access to restaurants. Other travellers like a different ⁴ as they want to visit new places but at the same time help local communities by ⁵ beaches or teaching. More and more tourists are aware that if they are ⁶ a faraway destination, it is not very environmentally friendly, so they ⁷ where they can. These travellers are usually happy to pay a ⁸ or stay in ⁹ resorts to help the local community.

2 Mark the sentences formal (F) or informal (IF).

- It was so annoying to find out our train had arrived too late to make the connection. IF
- Don't worry mate, I'm sure you'll get another job soon.
- Don't worry, she's just a kid. She doesn't have to talk to us if she doesn't want to.
- I thought the speaker expressed his opinions very well during the presentation.
- I only met her a few weeks ago but I already consider her a good friend.
- Being told that your report is incorrect in front of other colleagues is very inappropriate.
- The investors completely denied being told about the house being purchased.
- Sorry mate, I thought I gave you back your sweater yesterday.
- The company should insist on being informed about how the computer virus will be contained.

3 Rewrite the sentences in a more formal style. Use the verbs in brackets in the correct form and any other necessary words.

- Vince was arrested because of some dodgy business deals.
Vince was arrested on suspicion of dishonest business activities. (dishonest)
- We're very sorry that the flight got here late.
We're terribly sorry about of the flight. (arrival)
- The police are looking into it and will let you know what they find out.

The police the matter and will contact you with their findings. (investigate)

- 4 The director quit his job because of the pressure he was under.

The director his position due to the pressure he was facing. (resign)

- 5 The team finally managed to finish the report yesterday.

The team finally finishing the report yesterday. (succeed)

- 6 They won't let students into the library without their ID card.

Students to enter the library without their ID card. (permit)

- 7 The course starts at 9.00 am sharp and anyone who is late won't be let in.

The course at 9.00 am sharp and no latecomers will be permitted. (commence)

4 Complete the conversation with the words in the box.

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sustainable wrong

Doug: Hi ¹ mate ! Have you finished the report yet?

Jim: Almost. I'm currently working on suggestions for next year's trip.

Doug: Good! Don't forget to mention that the description the lodge provided was rather ², except for the fact that it was ³

Jim: Right! Halfway up a mountain, it was certainly in the middle of nowhere!

Doug: The school needs to be informed that the lodge was not ⁴ as they claimed. They didn't use ⁵ agricultural methods to grow some of their food either.

Jim: I've included that. I've also mentioned how it was supposed to be a ⁶ holiday, so students learnt to cook, but several times they gave us ⁷

Doug: Exactly! I really don't think the school ⁸ the place much before we went. But it's not surprising. It was Mr Dodds who organised it and he's just ⁹, hasn't he?

Jim: Yes, he was definitely the ¹⁰ choice for that position.

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- 8 tourism tax
- 9 carbon neutral

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- 4 F
- 5 F
- 6 F
- 7 F
- 8 IF
- 9 F

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- 2 the late arrival
- 3 are investigating
- 4 resigned from
- 5 succeeded in
- 6 are not permitted
- 7 commences

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- 2 dodgy
- 3 off the beaten track
- 4 carbon neutral
- 5 sustainable
- 6 self-catering
- 7 ready meals
- 8 looked into
- 9 quit
- 10 wrong