

Vocabulary

- 5** A tour guide is explaining part of the itinerary. Fill the gaps in the two sections with words or phrases from the boxes. Use each word or phrase once only.

then ■ The next day ■ First ■ While we're in
■ On the way

We start our visit to Laos on Day 8.

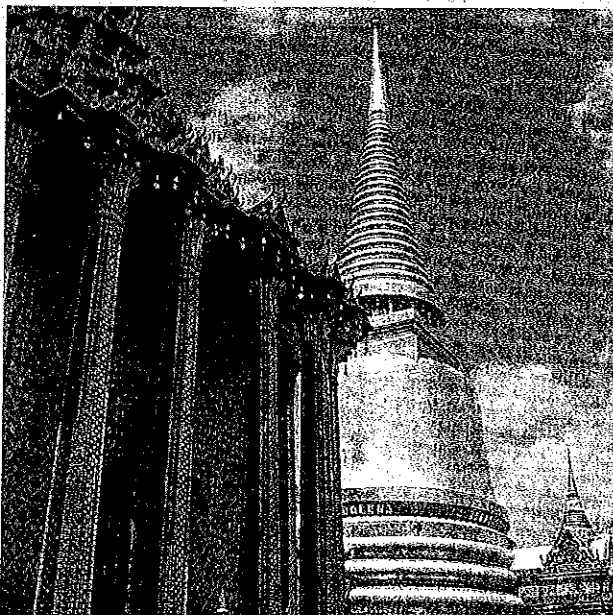
1 _____, we fly to Vientiane, the capital. Next, we check in to the hotel, then the afternoon is free. 2 _____

we go sightseeing in the morning;

3 _____ we drive to Vang Vieng which is on the banks of the Nam Xong river. 4 _____, we'll see rice paddies and drive through dense forests.

5 _____ Vang Vieng, you're free to relax in the town, or take a walk and explore the local limestone hills – there are some spectacular caves.

en route ■ On the following day ■ After that
■ On our last day



On Day 11 we drive to Luang Prabang in the morning, and you are free in the afternoon.

6 _____, there's an early-morning climb of Mount Phousi to see the sunrise – don't miss it!

7 _____, you're free to enjoy the scenery, or visit the waterfalls.

8 _____ in Laos we take a fast boat to Pak Beng, visiting the Pak Ou caves

9 _____

Speaking

- 6** Work in pairs. Look at this short itinerary. Prepare an explanation of it, using the words and phrases from Exercise 5.

ITINERARY

- Day 1** Fly to Warsaw; transfer to Krakow.
Day 2 Tour of Krakow – visit Old Market, Mariacki church, Jewish Quarter, and the National Museum.
Day 3 Morning visit to Wawel Castle; free afternoon.
Day 4 Drive south through Tatra mountains to Zakopane, visiting Wieliczka salt mine en route; afternoon excursion to Kasprowy Wierch (1,978m) and walk through beautiful Gasienicowa Valley.
Day 5 Optional morning walk in mountains; free afternoon in Zakopane.
Day 6 Drive across Slovak border to Hrabusice; short walk and picnic lunch; visit Dobsinska ice caves; then continue to Levoca.
Day 7 Cross border into Hungary, and drive through the remote Aggtelek Karst; visit Aggtelek caves; then continue to Eger, famous for its wine; evening wine tasting.
Day 8 Drive to Budapest; afternoon tour of Castle Hill.
Day 9 Visit to artists' colony at Szentendre; afternoon cruise along Danube.
Day 10 Free morning; fly to London.

Writing

- 7** Work in pairs. Write an itinerary for a visit to a place or places you know well. Use the itinerary in Exercise 3 as a guide. Then explain your itinerary to the class.

► Get real

Work in pairs. Collect holiday itineraries from newspaper, travel agent, or Internet adverts. Discuss how interesting you think the itineraries are. Ask questions such as:

- Do visitors get enough time to spend at important or interesting sights?
- Is there a good variety of things to do?
- Is there enough time to relax?
- Do visitors spend a long time travelling?