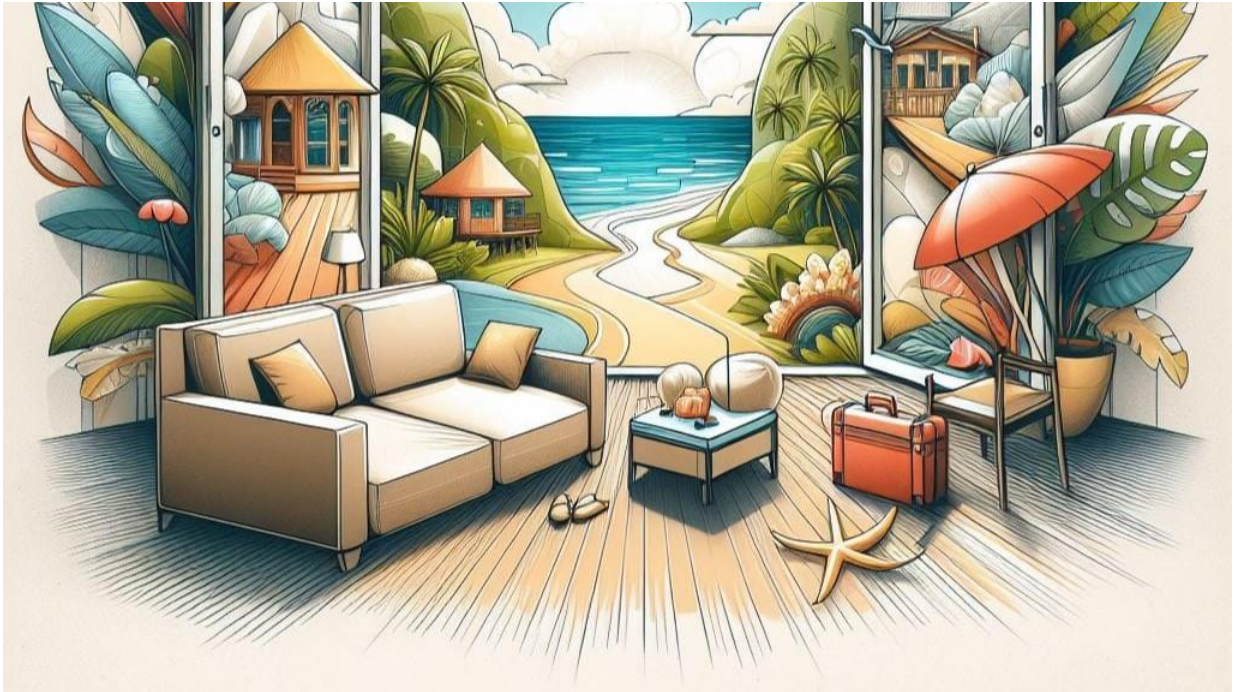


Staycation: Vacation at Home



Staycations can be fun and relaxing. You do not need to travel far. You can enjoy your time at home. There are many things to do.

First, you can read a book. Find a quiet place and read. A garden chair can be perfect. Lose yourself in a good story.

Secondly, try cooking new recipes. Choose simple dishes to start. Cook with family or friends and eat together. It can be a fun time.

Another idea is to watch movies. Create your own movie night. Pick your favorite films and get snacks. It can feel like a real cinema.

You can also play board games. Choose games that everyone likes. It is a nice way to spend time together. You can laugh and enjoy the game.

For something active, try a picnic. Pack some food and find a park. Enjoy the fresh air and play games outside.

Lastly, try gardening. Plant some flowers or vegetables. Gardening can be peaceful and rewarding. Watch your plants grow day by day.

A staycation can be as special as any trip. It is about making fun at home. So, relax and enjoy your time. There is no need to rush or spend a lot. What matters is enjoying the moments.

CEFR Level Card

General Level: A2.1

Vocabulary: A1.9

Verb Forms: A1.6

Sentences: A1.4

Vocabulary

gardening NOUN B1 x1

Definition (En):

n. the cultivation of plants

lastly ADV B2 x1

Definition (En):

r the item at the end

peaceful ADJ B1 x1

Definition (En):

a. not disturbed by strife or turmoil or war

relaxing ADJ B1 x1

Definition (En):

v become less tense, rest, or take one's ease

v make less taut

v become loose or looser or less tight

v cause to feel relaxed

v become less tense, less formal, or less restrained, and assume a friendlier manner

v make less severe or strict

v become less severe or strict

v make less active or fast

a affording physical or mental rest

rewarding ADJ B2 x1

Definition (En):

a. providing personal satisfaction

rush VERB B2 x1

Definition (En):

n. a sudden forceful flow

n. grasslike plants growing in wet places and having cylindrical often hollow stems

n. physician and American Revolutionary leader; signer of the Declaration of Independence (1745-1813)

n. a sudden burst of activity

Phrases

PHRASE	COUNT	SENTENCES
lose (oneself) in (something)	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lose yourself in a good story.

Reading Comprehension Exercises

True / False

1. For a staycation, you must go to faraway places.
2. Reading in a noisy area is suggested for a good staycation activity.
3. Making food with others can make a staycation enjoyable.
4. To have fun at home like in the cinema, you should go out and buy snacks.
5. Playing board games is only fun when you win.
6. A picnic is recommended as an active staycation activity.
7. Gardening is a tiring and frustrating staycation activity.
8. Staycations should be as expensive as going on a trip.
9. It is important to hurry during a staycation.
10. Having fun during a staycation depends on your own activities.

Multiple Choice

1. What is the main idea of a staycation?
 - A) Traveling to far places
 - B) Enjoying time in a different country
 - C) Having fun and relaxing at home
 - D) Visiting friends
2. Why might someone choose to read a book during a staycation?
 - A) Because they have to study
 - B) To lose themselves in a good story
 - C) Because it is a rule
 - D) To win a prize
3. What is the benefit of cooking new recipes on a staycation?
 - A) It is expensive
 - B) It is mandatory
 - C) It takes a lot of time
 - D) It can be a fun time
4. What does the text suggest about movie nights at home?
 - A) They require a big cinema
 - B) They can feel like a real cinema
 - C) They are not enjoyable
 - D) They should be watched alone
5. Why might playing board games be a good staycation activity?
 - A) It is only for children
 - B) People do not like it
 - C) You can laugh and enjoy the game
 - D) It is an outdoor activity only
6. How does the text describe gardening?
 - A) As a loud activity
 - B) As boring and tiring
 - C) As peaceful and rewarding
 - D) As something you should do every day
7. What is the most important part of a staycation according to the text?
 - A) Spending a lot of money
 - B) Rushing to many places
 - C) Enjoying the moments
 - D) Being away from home

Short Answer

1. What can make a staycation fun and relaxing?
2. Where is a good place to read a book during a staycation?
3. What should you start with when trying new recipes?
4. What can cooking with others be during a staycation?
5. What should you get for your own movie night?
6. How should you choose board games to play?
7. What can you do for something active during a staycation?
8. What are two things you can do while gardening?
9. Why is there no need to rush on a staycation?
10. What matters most during a staycation?

Multiple Choice Cloze

Staycations can be ___1___ and relaxing. You do not need to travel far. You can enjoy your time at home. There are many things to do.

First, you can read a book. Find a ___2___ place and read. A garden chair can be perfect. Lose yourself in a good story.

Secondly, try cooking new recipes. Choose ___3___ dishes to start. Cook with family or friends and eat together. It can be a ___4___ time.

Another idea is to watch movies. Create your own movie night. Pick your ___5___ films and get snacks. It can feel like a real cinema.

You can also play board games. Choose games that ___6___ likes. It is a nice way to spend time together. You can laugh and enjoy the game.

For something active, try a picnic. Pack some food and find a park. Enjoy the ___7___ air and play games outside.

Lastly, try gardening. Plant some flowers or vegetables. Gardening can be peaceful and ___8___. Watch your plants grow day by day.

A staycation can be as special as any trip. It is about making ___9___ at home. So, relax and enjoy your time. There is no need to rush or spend a lot. What matters is enjoying the ___10___.

- 1) A. fun B. work C. noisy D. sad
- 2) A. noisy B. quiet C. busy D. loud
- 3) A. spicy B. large C. simple D. complicated
- 4) A. boring B. busy C. fun D. hard
- 5) A. bad B. favorite C. scary D. old

- 6) A. someone B. everyone C. no one D. anyone
- 7) A. polluted B. fresh C. cold D. hot
- 8) A. rewarding B. difficult C. expensive D. dangerous
- 9) A. problems B. fun C. trips D. noise
- 10) A. moments B. money C. places D. people

Exercise Answers

True / False Answers

1. False

Explanation: The text clearly says you don't need to travel far for a staycation.
("You do not need to travel far.")

2. False

Explanation: The text suggests finding a quiet place to read, not a noisy one.
("Find a quiet place and read.")

3. True

Explanation: The text recommends cooking with family or friends as a fun activity.
("Cook with family or friends and eat together.")

4. False

Explanation: The text suggests getting snacks for a movie night at home, not going out to buy them.
("Pick your favorite films and get snacks.")

5. False

Explanation: The text emphasizes enjoying the game and spending time together, not just winning.
("You can laugh and enjoy the game.")

6. True

Explanation: The text suggests going for a picnic as an active way to spend time.
("For something active, try a picnic.")

7. False

Explanation: The text describes gardening as peaceful and rewarding, not tiring and frustrating.
("Gardening can be peaceful and rewarding.")

8. False

Explanation: The text tells us that you don't need to spend a lot of money on a staycation.
("There is no need to rush or spend a lot.")

9. False

Explanation: The text advises against rushing and suggests relaxing instead.
("There is no need to rush or spend a lot.")

10. True

Explanation: The text mentions that a staycation is about making fun at home, implying that activities define the enjoyment.
("It is about making fun at home.")

Multiple Choice Answers

1. C

Explanation: The text clearly states that staycations are about having fun and relaxing without the need to travel.

("Staycations can be fun and relaxing. You do not need to travel far.")

2. B

Explanation: The text suggests that reading a book is a way to get lost in a good story, implying enjoyment and relaxation.

("Lose yourself in a good story.")

3. D

Explanation: The text encourages cooking with others and eating together as a fun activity during a staycation.

("Cook with family or friends and eat together. It can be a fun time.")

4. B

Explanation: The text indicates that creating your own movie night at home can give the feeling of being in a real cinema.

("It can feel like a real cinema.")

5. C

Explanation: The text mentions board games as a nice way to spend time together and to enjoy the game, which implies laughter and fun.

("You can laugh and enjoy the game.")

6. C

Explanation: Gardening is described as peaceful and rewarding, which portrays it as a positive activity.

("Gardening can be peaceful and rewarding.")

7. C

Explanation: The text emphasizes that enjoying moments is what matters most during a staycation, rather than spending money or rushing.

("What matters is enjoying the moments.")

Short Answer Answers

1. Doing things at home.

Explanation: It suggests that fun and relaxing time can happen at home during a staycation.

("Staycations can be fun and relaxing. You do not need to travel far. You can enjoy your time at home.")

2. In a garden chair.

Explanation: The text mentions a garden chair as a perfect place to read.

("Find a quiet place and read. A garden chair can be perfect.")

3. Simple dishes.

Explanation: The text instructs to choose simple dishes to start when cooking new recipes. ("Choose simple dishes to start.")

4. A fun time.

Explanation: The text states that cooking with family or friends can be a fun time. ("Cook with family or friends and eat together. It can be a fun time.")

5. Snacks.

Explanation: The text recommends getting snacks for a movie night to make it feel like a real cinema. ("Pick your favorite films and get snacks. It can feel like a real cinema.")

6. Games everyone likes.

Explanation: The text advises choosing board games that everyone likes. ("Choose games that everyone likes.")

7. Have a picnic.

Explanation: The text suggests having a picnic as an active way to spend time. ("For something active, try a picnic.")

8. Plant flowers or vegetables.

Explanation: The text states you can plant flowers or vegetables when gardening. ("Plant some flowers or vegetables.")

9. You are making fun at home.

Explanation: The text explains there is no need to rush because the fun is being created at home. ("It is about making fun at home. So, relax and enjoy your time. There is no need to rush.")

10. Enjoying the moments.

Explanation: The text emphasizes that what matters most is enjoying the moments. ("What matters is enjoying the moments.")

Multiple Choice Cloze Answers

1. A

Explanation: 'Fun' is the correct choice because the sentence is talking about positive aspects of staycations.

2. B

Explanation: 'Quiet' is the correct choice because you need a peaceful place to concentrate on reading.

3. C

Explanation: 'Simple' is the correct choice because the sentence suggests starting with easy-to-make dishes.

4. C

Explanation: 'Fun' is the correct choice as cooking together is described as an enjoyable activity.

5. B

Explanation: 'Favorite' is the correct choice because it is common to pick films that one likes most for a movie night.

6. B

Explanation: 'Everyone' is the correct choice because the sentence aims for inclusivity in the game selection.

7. B

Explanation: 'Fresh' is the correct choice as the text emphasizes enjoying the outdoors during a picnic.

8. A

Explanation: 'Rewarding' is the correct choice to describe the satisfaction from watching one's garden grow.

9. B

Explanation: 'Fun' describes the positive experience the sentence wants to convey about staycations.

10. A

Explanation: 'Moments' is the correct choice because it refers to the experiences and time enjoyed during staycations.

How to create your own reading lesson?

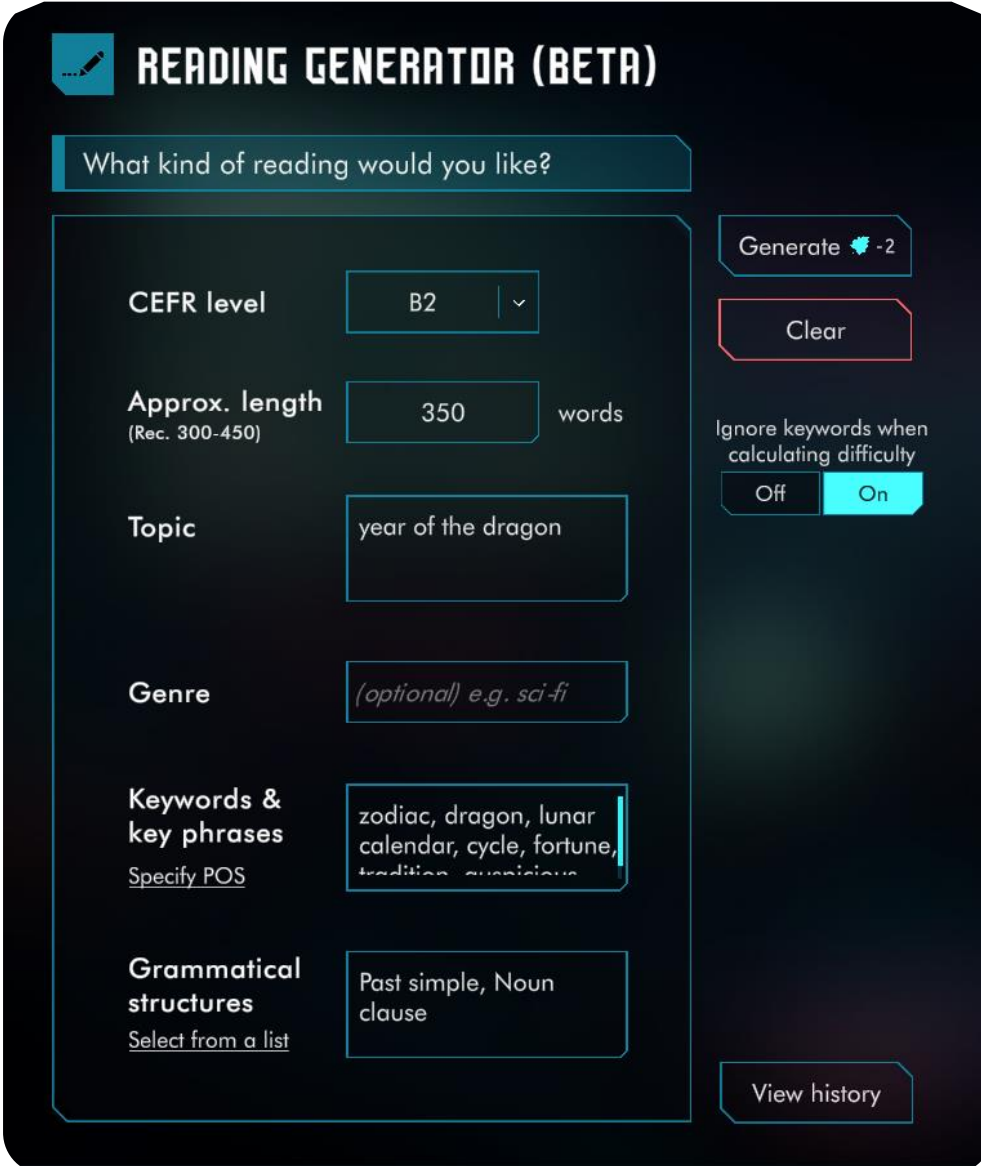
It's as simple as providing Cathoven with:

- the reading level
- the length of the reading
- the topic
- the vocabulary to study

And you're done. It will be automatically generated.

READING GENERATOR (BETA)

What kind of reading would you like?

CEFR level	B2	Generate  -2
Approx. length <small>(Rec. 300-450)</small>	350 words	Clear
Topic	year of the dragon	Ignore keywords when calculating difficulty
Genre	<i>(optional) e.g. sci-fi</i>	Off <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On
Keywords & key phrases <small>Specify POS</small>	zodiac, dragon, lunar calendar, cycle, fortune, tradition, suspicious	
Grammatical structures <small>Select from a list</small>	Past simple, Noun clause	View history