

Holiday plans

Angus:

Hi Bertram, how are you doing?

Bertram:

Hi Angus. I'm doing fine. How are you?

Angus:

I'm fine, thanks. I just wanted to ask you about your holiday plans. Are you going anywhere this summer?

Bertram:

No, I'm not going on holiday this year. I'm afraid this summer my family and I are staying in Britain. My dad says we can do some work in our house, like decorating the living room and buying a new kitchen. And we can do up the garden, making it look really nice.

Angus:

That sounds very much like a working holiday. You know, working in the kitchen, working in the garden. Do you like that?

Bertram:

Well, I think it's ok to help my mom and dad a little bit with all that ... I just hope it doesn't get too stressful, because I also need some time to meet my friends and relax.

Angus:

And you don't want to go anywhere at all? Stay in London all the time?

Bertram:

Oh no, I want to travel a little bit. You know, I would really like to visit my grandparents. They live in Manchester, and I hope I can get on the bus next week and travel to Manchester for a week. The problem is that my parents are a bit worried if I travel alone. But I think I'm old enough and anyway, when I arrive in Manchester, grandpa takes me to their house in his new car. It shouldn't be a problem, I'm quite safe. The great thing is that life at my grandparents' is so relaxed. I can sleep as long as I like. Or I take grandma's old bike and go for a ride. The route to the heart of the city from my grandparents' house is ideal. It's not dangerous at all because most of the route goes through a big park.

Angus:

So what exactly do you want to do in Manchester?

Bertram:

What do you think? Old Trafford. The stadium tour. Manchester United football club. You know I'm a big fan. And of course the National Football Museum. That's a definite must. It's the third time I go there but it's always worth a visit. But I take the stadium tour for the first time. You see, the football museum is free, but visiting the stadium is quite expensive.

Angus:

I see. Anyway, I did the Old Trafford stadium tour last year. And I say it was great and I think you are very lucky to go to Manchester next week. Please take some pictures from inside the stadium and send them to me. Can you do that?

Bertram:

Sure, I can. See you later. Bye.