



Thinking about  
key vocabulary...

Talk about how you would plan for going on a summer holiday


Describe the environmental problems in the world today and how they could be reduced


What things do you like or dislike about shopping?


What can we do in order to live a healthy life?


What advice would you give to a tourist visiting your country?


Talk about your education


Talk about your plans for the future




## Teacher's Notes

This worksheet is designed to help students think about lexical vocabulary in order to improve their skills in thinking about a topic and including all the relevant vocabulary.

The topics have been chosen to reflect common questions that are posed in exam speaking exercises where students have to talk on their own about a particular theme.

In an exam situation students don't always have time to prepare and exercises like this can help students to categorise their thoughts.

## Suggested Activity

1. Ask a student in the class to choose one of the topics to talk about for 1 minute.
2. All the students then write down 8 key vocabulary words associated with that topic, including the student who is going to speak. Allow a couple of minutes for everyone to think of the key words.
3. The student then speaks for 1 minute on their chosen subject. All the other students listen and tick off the words on their list as the student says them. After 1 minute see which student has the most words ticked off.
4. To finish off, have some global feedback to see what other words students had written down. Highlight some of the best words in order to form a list of great vocabulary to include if you were going to speak about that topic for a minute.
5. You can then repeat the activity with another student on another topic.