

## Topic 8 Holidays

### Listening script

**Dale:** Any plans for the Summer holidays, Lyn?

**Lyn:** Nah! Not much. We'll stay at home as usual, go to the beach, see a few movies. What about you Dale?

**Dale:** I'm off to Indonesia.

**Lyn:** Indonesia! Wow! Really? I'm jealous! But I bet that won't be cheap. Airfares at Christmas time are expensive, aren't they?

**Dale:** Yeah, that's true - airfares aren't cheap at that time of year but once you're there it's not expensive. We stay in losmans and eat off the street.

**Lyn:** Losmans? What are "Losmans"?

**Dale:** Losmans are small, family run guest houses, local hotels. They're usually very cheap. My wife and I never pay more than 20 bucks a night for a room - nice, big ones too, always beautifully furnished, with a ceiling fan and your own bathroom.

**Lyn:** Amazing! But aren't you scared eating street food? Isn't it dirty?

**Dale:** No. I don't think so, especially if the food is cooked in front of you. You can check to see if it's fresh. I wouldn't drink the tap water though or take ice in my drinks.

**Lyn:** So where in Indonesia are you going? Bali, I suppose. That's where everybody goes.

**Dale:** No way! We're going to Sumatra. Not many people go there. I've always wanted to see orangutans in the wild, ride an elephant through the jungle and climb a volcano.

**Lyn:** What an adventure! I'd love to visit Asia, but Roger, my husband, isn't interested in travelling. Oh well! (Sigh)

**Dale:** That's a pity. But you'll have fun here! They say it's going to be really hot this Summer in Melbourne.

**Lyn:** (Sarcastically) Oh great! I can't wait! Roger also hates the heat. He'll have the air con on day and night. Imagine my electricity bill!

(Both laugh)