

c) Role-play the conversation with your classmate.

4. Compare Canberra and Minsk.

- What does 'Minsk' mean in the local language?
- What famous landmarks can you see on a guided tour of Minsk?
- Are the Parliament House and the Government House open to the public in your country?
- What do Minsk and Canberra have in common?

LESSON 6. Too busy to meet?

Communicative area: inviting, refusing or accepting invitations

Active vocabulary: busy

1. a) Listen to the conversation. Follow in the book. Why can't Mr. Rambler go bushwalking on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday?

– Hi, Andrew. Would you like to go bushwalking tomorrow?

– Sorry, Mel. I'm afraid, I can't. I'm going on a guided tour of Canberra tomorrow.

– How about Wednesday or Thursday?

– I'd love to, but I'm doing some sightseeing. We're going to Uluru on Wednesday.

– When are you coming back?

– My flight arrives at 8 o'clock on Thursday.

– You're a very busy man. What are you doing on Friday?

– Let me see. Friday, Friday. I'm not doing anything on Friday. OK, I'll go with you on Friday.

– Great! I’ll meet you at the airport on Thursday and we’ll talk about it.

b) How does Mr. Rambler’s friend invite him to do something with him? How does he ask him about his plans? How does Mr. Rambler say ‘No’ to his friend (2 examples)? How does he explain that he can’t go with him (2 examples)? How does he agree to go with his friend?

2. Play the ‘Busy Travellers’ game.

a) Imagine you’re a busy traveller. Below is your diary for next week. Copy it into your notebook.

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Monday			
Tuesday			
Wednesday			
Thursday			
Friday			
Saturday			
Sunday			

b) Fill it in with six different appointments from the list below. Use your own ideas if you like.

guided tour of London
guided tour of Minsk

guided tour of Canberra
the National Library of Canberra
the Houses of Parliament in London
flight to Uluru
Buckingham Palace
dinner with a friend
Australian National Botanic Gardens
the National Library in Minsk
journey to Australia
business trip to London
business trip to Minsk
the Government House in Canberra
coach trip to local landmarks
shopping
St. Paul's Cathedral
local museum
the Parliament House in Canberra
football match of the local team

c) Choose three times in the week when you would like to meet and do something interesting with the other 'travellers'. Go round the classroom. Find out who is free at these times. Invite those who are free to meet with you. Use ex. 1 for help. Tell the class what you are doing and who you are doing it with.

LESSON 7. Royal plans for Australia

Communicative area: talking about timetabled events and travel arrangements, intentions, fixed plans, predictions and promises

Active vocabulary: expect, itinerary, probably, schedule

Active grammar: expressing future
