# 4. Write weather forecasts for the game "Try your luck" (see lesson 9):

- 1) choose one of the seasons (see p. 184) (discuss with the class, as each of you has to choose a different season);
- 2) write one weather forecast for a good weather weekend, and one for a problem weather weekend (think of extreme weather as well). Make 2 copies on separate cards.

# Lesson 9. Does the weather support your plans?

### 1. Play the board game "Try your luck" (see p. 184).

You have decided to accept the invitation to visit Belarus. You are coming to Belarus to get acquainted with its people, towns and cities, with its nature. You'd like to get a fist-hand experience of the Belarusian weather and climate. And last, but not least, you'd like to spend some quality time in Belarus.

In spite of the temperate climate, mostly flat landscape and absence of huge rivers you will be offered a variety of entertaining activities. The weather is varied here, too. Will you be lucky to experience everything you would like to? Will the weather support or destroy your plans? Play the game and see.

The game is played in groups of three students.

#### You will need:

2 piles of cards with at least 12 weather forecasts, written by you (see ex. 4, lesson 8): pile  $1 - \sin x$  weather forecasts for late spring, summer, early autumn; pile  $2 - \sin x$  weather forecasts for early spring, winter, late autumn.

a dice;

the board for the game.

#### Round 1: Choose a season.

Throw the dice to choose the time of your visit. Talk to your group:

- G: When are you going to Belarus?
- S: I guess, ... (in late spring).
- G: Lucky you! The weather is ... (in late spring). / The weather is ... (in late spring). Don't worry! Luck will be on your side!
- S: OK. I'm sure you aren't just fair weather friends. I can rely on you for help.

## Round 2: Choose an activity.

Throw the dice to choose the activity: for a colder season – from the activities on the left, for a warmer season – from the activities on the right. Talk to your group:

- **G:** What would you like to do in Belarus?
- S: I'd like to experience / try ... (skating on a frozen river). /I think I'll enjoy ... /I don't mind ...
- G: Why not? Sounds fantastic!

# Round 3: Try your luck!

Two weather presenters from your group choose 2 weather forecasts from pile 1 or pile 2 – warmer or colder seasons.

Listen to the weather presenters and decide if luck is on your side. Talk to your group.

- S: Hooray! Luck is on my side. I like... weather./I feel great/comfortable/full of beans in such weather! I'm happy the weather hasn't destroyed my plans.
- G: I am ready to join the adventure.

#### OR:

- S: Luck isn't on my side today.
- G: Don't worry. Layers of clothes will solve the problem./ A hot meal at the café after... will solve the problem./ A good friend will help you to weather the storm. We can take up (заняться) something else. There are always new possibilities.

#### Good luck round.

If weather doesn't support you and you cannot enjoy the activity you chose in round two, try your luck one more time: repeat rounds 2 and 3. Good luck!

