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## Zoya - Speaking Part 3

## Transcript

Examiner: We've been talking about a time you visited a friend in another city and I'd like to ask you one or two more general questions related to this. Zoya: Okay. Examiner: First of all, let's consider going to other cities. What preparations do you have to make if you're visiting a city that is far away? Zoya: Well, there are a plethora of things that we need to do on your to do-list. The first and the major one is that you need to reserve the accommodations. So, because if you don't book it, you can just get high rates which can cost an arm and a leg for you. So, it is very unlikely for all of us. The second thing is probably you need to make an itinerary because it's much more convenient to get a plan and to just make a journey according to it. Examiner: Which cities are most popular with tourists in your country? Zoya: Well, there are a couple of them. I would have to say that Moscow is the most touristic place in the country as well as this probably St. Petersburg- sorry is also pretty attractive for foreign people and probably Sochi is also a good option for those people. Examiner: Do you think people travel more between cities today more than in the past? Zoya: Well, generally that's a big question because there are several factors that contribute in getting comfortable trip. Nowadays in comparison to the past, we

have just more technologies, we can use the internet to book accommodation as

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already mentioned earlier. We can just get air views from let's say TripAdvisor or services like that. I would say that's a model of our century. Yes. As well as this probably transport could be more affordable now than in the past because you have a array of options like you can go by plane, you can go by train and by car. So, there are a plethora of opportunities for travelers.

Examiner: Okay. Let's talk about urban life.

Zoya: Okay.

Examiner: Is living in a city today usually safe?

- Zoya: That's a rather mishmash. It depends from person to person and generally I would have to say that it's not really because bustling city is something about the huge gap between poor people and economically advantaged people. This means that the criminality rate is always a case like in cities than for example in the villages or suburban.
- Examiner: Are there dangerous cities in the country you come from?
- Zoya: That's a good question. Yeah I think so. But to be honest, I have not so much ideas about that one because I've never visited dangerous cities in my country.
- Examiner: Those cities that are dangerous, how can they be made safe?
- Zoya: Well, definitely there are several improvements need to be there. The first one probably just to get more infrastructure there just by developing medical facilities like educational facilities. Probably to create more workplaces as well as this probably to struggle with the drug addictions and all these diseases of our century. So, yes that's a good measurement.
- Examiner: Thank you. That is the end of the speaking test.

Zoya: Perfect. Thank you so much.