

**ACTIVITY B1 M1 011**

Match the underlined words in the text below (items 1-5) with a suitable definition.

<b>A.</b>	To spend time relaxing or sleeping	<b>B.</b>	To arrive somewhere
<b>C.</b>	To travel	<b>D.</b>	To become less bright
<b>E.</b>	To go from one side of something to another	<b>F.</b>	To have a small meal



TRAVEL GUIDE

# The first swallow of summer

During March and April, the first of our summer visitors (1) reach Greece. Arriving to feast on insects of summer, millions of birds cross the Mediterranean. One of the most familiar is the swallow. Let's look at what these much-loved visitors have been doing since we last saw them in October.

In comparison to other migrants, like swifts, swallows are relatively slow travellers. They (2) move by day and the fact that they catch their food in the air means they can (3) snack on the way. This is a great advantage over other migrants that have to reach rich feeding areas a long distance away before they can eat.

I remember watching thousands of swallows coming in to (4) rest at Lake Koronia in northern Greece, one September. As the light faded the air was full of wheeling birds, all onto the reeds below.

Normally, most birds will travel between 100 and 200 kilometres a day for a couple of months and more. But swallows travel south, (5) crossing the Mediterranean and the Sahara Desert, in one flight.



**ANSWER KEY**

1. B
2. C
3. F
4. A
5. E