Swimming

Can you swim? Are there many places to swim near you? Do you think everyone should learn to swim?

Yes I can. I learnt at school when I was about 7 years old. Swimming lessons were compulsory at our school, like at most schools I think.

Yes, there are a few public swimming pools. There is the main indoor one at a big sports complex in the centre of town. There are also a couple of outdoor ones, but you can only use them in summer, as it is too cold in winter. There is a big one in a park, whereas the other is much smaller.

Of course, I think it's very important to learn to swim. First, you might spend a lot of holidays by water, for example, when you go to the beach or go to a lake, so you won't be able to enjoy yourself with your friends if you can't swim. Also, for safety reasons it's very important. You often hear about accidents involving young children so it's very important.