



Q: I'm 74 and long-retired Navy E9. In my active duty career, I experienced just about every world location. I still enjoy travel, but it keeps getting more expensive.

I don't need luxury, but are there any ways I can get to France, England, Africa, Italy, Japan or China on the cheap? Or totally free? *BKL, Birmingham AL*

A: The internet is full of bargain travel opportunities, many inexpensive and/or free. Quick general examples: volunteer to teach, rebuild in a storm-damaged area, host at a hostel, home share and guide a tour. Put together a resumé of your education, as well as Navy and other experiences. Make yourself a prime candidate for one or more of those great deals out there. Do some serious internet research, and soon you'll be packing for that next great travel adventure.