

## *I've Got It and I've Got 'Em*

1. Two people are packing for a vacation. They are going to Hawaii, and they know the weather will be sunny and warm. They are checking to be sure they have everything.



### Read their conversation.

Person 1: Do you have a hat?

Person 2: I've got it.

Person 1: Do you have sunglasses?

Person 2: I've got 'em.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> In informal spoken English, usually people don't say the *th* in *them*—they say *'em*. (Also, sometimes they don't say the *'ve* in *I've got*—they say *I got*.)

2. Imagine that you are packing for a trip to Hawaii. You are checking to be sure you have everything.

**Work with a partner. Person 1 asks about each item on the checklist. (For example, *Do you have a hat?*) Person 2 looks at the list of things Person 2 has. If the answer is *no*, Person 2 says *No*. If the answer is *yes*, Person 2 says *I've got it* or *I've got 'em*. Then trade roles. (There are two items that nobody has.)**

### Checklist

<input type="checkbox"/> a hat	<input type="checkbox"/> a photo ID	<input type="checkbox"/> a charger
<input type="checkbox"/> sunglasses	<input type="checkbox"/> a credit card	<input type="checkbox"/> sunscreen
<input type="checkbox"/> swimwear	<input type="checkbox"/> a book (for the beach)	<input type="checkbox"/> a beach towel
<input type="checkbox"/> sandals or flipflops	<input type="checkbox"/> a cell phone	<input type="checkbox"/> walking shoes

Person 1 has...

a cell phone  
a credit card  
a photo ID  
sunglasses  
walking shoes

Person 2 has...

a beach towel  
a charger  
a hat  
sandals or flipflops  
swimwear