

Pre Intermediate

Test on unit 5

READING COMPREHENSION

I. Read the article and match topics a)-d) with paragraphs 1-4.

My top travel tips

Sandy Graves is an experienced travel writer who regularly travels all over the world. Here she shares some of her top tips.

1 When you start packing, leave your suitcase open somewhere. As you think of something you need to take, pack it. Don't leave it until later or you might forget. Make photocopies of all your important documents and put them in your suitcase, too. If you lose your passport, having a copy will make it easier to get a new one. Pack earplugs. They're great for long flights and noisy hostels, when you really need to sleep.

2 While you're travelling, be patient. Everybody wants to leave on time, but it doesn't always happen. Buses can be late, you can have problems with your documents or your card might not work in the ATM. Don't worry, there's always a way to get there. Smile and enjoy it – you won't have another chance to!

- a) dealing with problems _____
- b) having the best experience _____
- c) doing something different _____
- d) preparing for your trip _____

3 If you want more than just a holiday, try volunteering, spending some time learning new skills and meeting new people. You can travel anywhere in the world to do all kinds of different jobs, from building in Tanzania to looking after elephants in Thailand. Just think what you could do.

4 Do your best to try everything around you. Try the local food, buy the terrible, cheap souvenirs (they won't feel terrible when you're back home) and take lots of photos. And talk to local people – you can get so much more out of your trip if you do. Keep an open mind, and don't criticise the local culture. You might see or experience things which seem strange to you, but are normal there.

II. Read the article again and answer T for TRUE or F for false.

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| 1 Try to pack things at the same time as you think of them. _____ | 4 There aren't many opportunities to do anything different when you travel. _____ |
| 2 It's a good idea to take earplugs for when you want to go swimming. _____ | 5 Don't buy souvenirs if they're not good. _____ |
| 3 It's best not to worry when you have problems. _____ | 6 Try to accept things which seem strange to you. _____ |

WRITING

III. Order the letters to make forms of transport to complete the sentences.

- 1 It's easy to move around London on the _____. (ugrnoddreun)
- 2 When my father was a young man, he always rode a _____. (bokemirot)
- 3 It's such a long distance. The easiest way to travel there is by _____. (penal)
- 4 His uncle is like James Bond. He lives in Monte Carlo and loves being on the water in his _____. (sebdaetop)
- 5 The people here use _____ (sbelicyc) to travel to town, so they are very fit and healthy.
- 6 Sarah uses the _____ (bessu) to travel to work but they are often very crowded.

IV. Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

clothes – money – sunhat – walking –
binoculars – souvenirs – backpack

- 1 You need to wear a _____ to the beach.
- 2 My son never uses a suitcase or a wallet. He puts his clothes in a _____ and wears a _____ belt.
- 3 Look! Can you see that ship with these _____?
- 4 It's very wet outside so wear waterproof _____ and _____ boots.
- 5 She rarely brings back _____ from her holidays.

V. Complete the sentences with the Past Simple or Past Continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 He was playing tennis when he hurt his arm. (play/hurt)
- 2 While we _____, we _____ a lot of new friends. (travel/make)
- 3 Who _____ you _____ to when I _____ you? (talk/see)
- 4 Nina _____ me while I _____ dinner. (call/eat)
- 5 He _____ a bath when the doctor _____. (have/arrive)
- 6 While I _____ in the garden, I _____ someone call my name. (sit/hear)

VI. Choose the correct alternative.

- 1 They want *to climb/climbing* the mountains tomorrow.
- 2 Can I have that magazine when you finish *to read/reading* it?
- 3 They don't enjoy *to swim/swimming* in the sea.
- 4 I hope *to go/going* to Malaysia next year.
- 5 He decided *to visit/visiting* Belize.
- 6 Who did you need *to call/calling* tonight?
- 7 Did you want *to book/booking* an island tour?

VII. Complete the conversation with the words in the box.

end go keep miss need on
see take to get turn way

- A: Excuse me. We want 1 to get to the bus station. Is this the right 2 _____?
- B: Yes, 3 _____ past that supermarket and 4 _____ the first right. Then 5 _____ going until you reach the 6 _____ of the road. 7 _____ left, then take the first – no, third – right.
- A: So I 8 _____ to turn left and then third right.
- B: Yes, you'll 9 _____ the bus station 10 _____ the right. You can't 11 _____ it.

VIII. Answer the questions and give directions.



How do I get to the underground station?

IX. Write an email to a friend about a trip or a weekend away. Write 60–80 words. Use the following questions AS A GUIDE and sequencers to order the events.

- ✓ Where did you go?
- ✓ Who did you go with?
- ✓ What places did you visit?
- ✓ Which activities did you do?
- ✓ Did you have a good time? Why/Why not?