

Exercises

31.1 Match the sentence beginnings on the left with the endings on the right.

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| 1 The customs officer stopped the car | ☒ a and they couldn't get a cabin. |
| 2 The car broke down | ☐ b and they had nothing to eat. |
| 3 The air traffic controllers went on strike | ☐ c and they had a wonderful cruise. |
| 4 The buffet was closed | ☐ d and the driver had to open the boot. |
| 5 The ferry was full | ☐ e and a mechanic came to help them. |
| 6 The liner was very modern | ☐ f and their flight was cancelled. |

31.2 Sort the words according to the type of transport. One of the words fits in two places. Which is it?

jumbojet port express steering wheel coach helicopter gangway runway
tram wing chauffeur platform ground staff van cockpit lorry liner deck

road	rail	air	sea
steering wheel			

31.3 Choose the best word *flight, journey, trip, travel* or *voyage* to fit these gaps.

- I would love to travel round the world in a balloon.
- The liner *Titanic* sank on its very first
- How long does the from New York to Rio take?
- She says her hobbies are reading, golf and
- When they were in Cairo they took a to see the Pyramids.
- Getting from London to the north of Scotland involves a long overnight train

31.4 Read these travel blogs and fill the gaps with words from the opposite page.

Erik's Blog (24 June)

The flight from Huascal to Puerto Amlugo was s..... delayed (six hours!). I was worried I'd get s..... at the airport (and hoped that the airline would p..... me u..... in a nice hotel) but anyway the flight wasn't c..... and we finally took off. The weather was awful, and we experienced a lot of t..... In fact, the flight was so b..... that I got a (very unpleasant!). But the c..... c..... were very friendly and helpful, which made me feel better. The l..... was not so bad and soon we were at the t..... collecting our baggage. I slept well last night - I think I've got over the i..... I had after my 12-hour flight from Europe.

Mona's Blog (5 July)

I didn't have a reservation for the Eurostar train from Paris to London, but they put me on s..... and I got a s..... on a later train. It was a good journey, everything ran s..... and it arrived time. In London, I enquired if there was a s..... c..... on the train to Scotland so I could travel overnight. The alternative was a hotel and the e..... m..... train at 6.30 am (too early for me!). When I get to Scotland I want to go to some of the islands. I hope the sea is c..... I hate r..... seas - I always get s.....!

31.5 Over to you

Give answers that are true for you, and reasons.

- How often do you travel by train? Have you ever been on a high-speed train?
- Which do you prefer on a plane, a window or an aisle seat? Why? Do you usually visit the duty-free shop? What do you look for? What do you do before going through security?