

1 VOCABULARY air travel

a Replace the **bold** words with a formal word or phrase from the list.

approximately disembark locate
personal-electronic devices place
proceed to rear requiring

- 1 **Mobile phones, tablets, and laptops** may be used in flight mode during the flight. *personal electronic devices*
- 2 There are toilets at the front and at the **back** of the plane. _____
- 3 Our flight time today is **about** two and a half hours. _____
- 4 The crew will be passing through the cabin with landing cards for any passengers **needing** one. _____
- 5 Passengers to New York are asked to **go to** Gate 36 immediately. _____
- 6 Please check you have all your belongings with you before you **leave the plane**. _____
- 7 We ask that you **put** bags and jackets under the seat in front of you. _____
- 8 Please take some time now to **find** your nearest emergency exit. _____

b Circle the correct word.

- 1 They had booked an economy flight, so they couldn't use the *airport terminal* / *VIP lounge*.
- 2 It didn't take long for me to check in my suitcase at the *baggage drop-off* / *security*.
- 3 The passengers were stopped at *customs* / *the check-in desk* for their bags to be checked.
- 4 I showed my boarding pass and ID at the *baggage reclaim* / *gate* and went to board my flight.
- 5 I didn't have a boarding pass, so I had to queue at the *check-in desk* / *customs* to get one.
- 6 We could see our plane on the *runway* / *gate* while we were waiting to board.
- 7 We parked as near as possible to the *airport terminal* / *VIP lounge* because we were late.
- 8 The quickest way to find your flight on the departures board is to look at the *flight times* / *runway*.
- 9 I was wearing boots, so I had to take them off at *security* / *baggage drop-off*.
- 10 When I went to *baggage reclaim* / *flight times*, I found that my suitcase hadn't arrived.

c Complete the sentences with a word from the list.

arrivals business-class collect delayed
first class illegal goods luggage trolley

- 1 Companies usually pay for employees to travel *business class*.
- 2 If your suitcase has wheels, you don't need to use a _____.
- 3 There's usually a line of taxis waiting outside _____.
- 4 Passengers who are travelling _____ sit in the most comfortable seats on the plane.
- 5 You should always keep your _____ with you when you're in an airport.
- 6 Customs officers check travellers' bags to make sure they are not trying to bring _____ into the country.
- 7 It can sometimes take a long time to get out of the airport if you have to wait to _____ your bags from baggage reclaim.
- 8 The departures board informs passengers whether a flight is on time, boarding, or _____.

d Complete the text.

Last year, I wanted to travel from Madrid to Hamburg to visit a friend. I had booked an ¹ *international* flight from Madrid to Frankfurt and a ² *c* _____ fl _____ from Frankfurt to Hamburg. I printed off my ³ *b* _____ p _____ the day before my flight, and I took it with me to the airport. I was able to go straight to security in ⁴ *D* _____ because I only had ⁵ *h* _____ l _____ – a small backpack. After ⁶ *sc* _____ my bag, they opened it and ⁷ *ch* _____ it to make sure I wasn't carrying any ⁸ *L* _____ or ⁹ *sh* _____ ob _____, like scissors. When I finally got my bag back, I looked at the ¹⁰ *d* _____ b _____ to see if my flight was already ¹¹ *b* _____. I needn't have worried, because the flight was ¹² *d* _____. The plane didn't ¹³ *t* _____ o _____ until two hours later. When I eventually arrived in Frankfurt, I was happy to see that my next flight was ¹⁴ *o* _____ t _____. However, just before we were due to ¹⁵ *b* _____, we were informed that the flight had been cancelled – apparently, planes couldn't ¹⁶ *l* _____ in Hamburg because of bad weather. In the end, I finished my journey by train, and I arrived in Hamburg eight hours late!

e Complete the crossword.



ACROSS →

- 1 the passage between the rows of seats on a plane
- 4 a thing that you fasten around your body to hold you in your seat
- 5 the people whose job it is to take care of passengers on a plane
- 6 a series of sudden and violent changes in the direction that air is moving
- 8 the tired feeling that people often have after a long journey in a plane to a place where the local time is different
- 9 a flight between places within the same country

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- 2 a flight that transports people over long distances, e.g. between two continents
- 3 a flight that goes from one place to another without stopping
- 7 a line of seats on a plane

f Circle a, b, or c.

- 1 I ____ abroad five or six times a year.
a journey **b travel** c trip
- 2 I had a terrible ____ here – the flight was delayed, and then we had a lot of turbulence.
a journey **b travel** c trip
- 3 Is Hannah back from her ____ to South America?
a journey **b travel** c trip
- 4 We have to ____ 400 km if we want to see my grandparents.
a journey **b travel** c trip
- 5 My sister wants to go on a ____ around the world in her gap year.
a journey **b travel** c trip
- 6 My ____ to work takes me about an hour.
a journey **b travel** c trip

g Complete the phrasal verbs in the questions with a particle from the list.

in (x2) off (x3) on up (x2)

- 1 Who **picked** you up from the airport the last time you travelled?
- 2 When do you usually **check** ____ for a flight?
- 3 Who usually **drops** you ____ at the airport?
- 4 Have you ever **filled** ____ an immigration form? If so, when?
- 5 What's the first thing you do when you **get** ____ a plane?
- 6 Have you ever **picked** ____ the wrong bag at baggage reclaim?
- 7 Are you usually in a hurry to **get** ____ the plane? Why / Why not?
- 8 Do you ever feel nervous when a plane **takes** ____?

h Answer the questions in g.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____
- 7 _____
- 8 _____