Урок 7. ПУТЕШЕСТВИЯ И ТРАНСПОРТ

1 Check you understand the phrases below and complete in the chart. Add 2 more phrases to each category.

to stop at a service station / drive on a motorway / get stuck in a traffic jam / find the right platform / have a flat tyre / miss the flight / buy tickets in advance / show the tickets to the ticket inspector / run out of petrol / go through passport control

PLANE	CAR	TRAIN

2 Do the pairs of words below have similar meaning?

1) trip / journey
2) weekend / holiday
3) day off / day out
4) luggage / baggage
5) to rent a car / to hire a car
6) to go sightseeing / to see the sights
7) a luxurious hotel / a basic hotel
8) to have a holiday / to take a holiday
9) accommodation / a youth hostel
10) the flight was cancelled / the flight was delayed

3 Answer the questions with a partner.

1) Which would you prefer: to buy train or plane tickets online or in a ticket office? Why?
2) Why do people stop at service stations?
3) Why can a flight be delayed or cancelled? What do passengers do in such situations?
4) Why can someone miss their flight?
5) What can you find in a really luxurious hotel?
6) What are the best ways to travel round your country? Why?

4 Choose one word in each line that does not belong and explain what connects the other words in each line.

1) check-in, platform, departure lounge, customs, baggage reclaim
2) hand luggage, suitcase, rucksack, baggage, overhead locker
3) train driver, flight attendant, ticket inspector, cyclist
4) cabin, compartment, cockpit, aisle, middle seat
5) aisle seat, flight attendant, seat belt, take-off, landing
6) ship, ferry, speed boat, pier, yacht

5 Some of the words in bold are in wrong places. Rewrite the letters correctly. Guess what questions the letters below answer to. Write your replies to the given letters.

1) In your letter you asked me about my last journey. Well, I didn't enjoy it because at **a window seat** I asked for **luggage** but when I **missed a flight**, I realized that

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she had given me **the check-in**! Talking about **an aisle seat**, I can say that after I had my **hand luggage** lost last year I prefer to travel light — with **cruise** only. As for your last question, luckily, I have never **boarded the plane** because I always arrive at the airport in good time.

Anyway, tell me more about your **suitcase**. How long was it? Where was the departure point? Was there any entertainment on board?

2) Back to your questions. Talking about **journeys**, I can say that I am not a big fan of such holidays because I love to plan **package tours** and book **tourist attractions** myself. My last **train** went wrong from the start. First, we **had a flat tyre** and it took us 30 minutes to get out of the city. Then we had to spend 2 hours at **the youth hostel** because we **got stuck in a traffic jam**. As for the best way of touring Russia, I think it is by **trip** not only because it is way cheaper than flying but also because there are no formalities like **breakfast** or **facilities**.

Anyway, I am dying to learn more about the **service station**. Is it far from the main **accommodation**? What **customs** are there? Is **passport control** included?

6 Ask questions and write your answers as if you were doing task 39.

1) I've just come back from my trip to Vienna. (Ask 3 questions about her trip.)
2) We stayed in a very nice hotel right in the city centre. (Ask 3 questions about the hotel.)
3) Our journey to Istanbul was a nightmare! (Ask 3 questions about the journey.)
4) We are going on a cruise next week. The boat is called "Queen Victoria" and it is absolutely stunning! (Ask 3 questions about the cruise.)
5) We went on a guided tour around the Old town. (Ask 3 questions about the tour.)

7 Choose the correct option. Give explanation.

1) to stay at a hotel / to live in a hotel
2) to sit on a plane / to board a plane
3) to book a room in a hotel / to book a number in a hotel
4) to stand in a queue / to stay in a queue
5) to lie on the beach / to lay on the beach
6) to sit into a car / to get into a car
7) try national food / test national food
8) to get into a train / to get on a train
9) to hire a car / to hire a room

8 Complete the gaps with the correct form of the expression from Ex. 7.

1) I don't think you should _____ — all tourist attractions are within easy walking distance from the hotel.
2) If you want to go up the Eiffel Tower, make sure you buy tickets in advance, otherwise you'll have to _____ to the ticket office.
3) As for me, I prefer to go to Sochi in autumn rather than in summer mainly because I don't like _____ when there are so many children running around and screaming.

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4) You can't lose your boarding pass — without it they won't let you _____.

5) If you are planning to go to a seaside resort for your summer holidays, it's better to _____ in a popular hotel at least 2 months in advance. Otherwise, there will be no vacancies for the required period.

6) I can't imagine visiting a different country without _____. How can one say they've been to London if they don't know the taste of fish and chips?

7) They claim that travelling by plane is the fastest, but wait. You have to _____ a car with all your luggage, spend a couple of hours on your way to the airport and you have to arrive at least two hours before the plane takes off. And the journey hasn't started yet.

9 Which would you prefer on holiday and why. Write your answers as if you were doing task 39.

1) To hire a car or to use public transport?

2) To lie on the beach or to go on a sightseeing tour?

3) To buy non-returnable tickets in advance and to pay less or to buy more expensive tickets which you can return?

4) To stay in a luxurious hotel with your parents or to stay in a youth hostel with your friends?

5) To pay more and stay in a hotel in the city centre or to pay less and live further from the main tourist attractions?

6) To go on a package tour or to be an independent traveller?

7) To have a guided tour of a museum or to explore it on your own?

10 Match the columns to get logical groups. Some expressions can be used more than once. Feel free to add your own ideas.

TYPES OF HOLIDAYS	REASONS / ACTIVITIES	ACCOMMODATION
a package holiday	to watch wildlife	a tent
a camping holiday	to unwind	a hotel
a cruise	to broaden your horizons	a resort
a skiing holiday	to get away from it all	a youth hostel
a safari	to soak up the atmosphere	a guesthouse
a walking holiday	to enjoy spectacular scenery	a boat's / ship's cabin
a sailing holiday	to learn more about foreign culture	a villa / chalet
a sightseeing holiday	to take it easy	a bungalow
a beach holiday	to sunbathe	
	to meet new people	
	to learn new skills	

11 Look at some pictures in this unit and complete each situation below in three different ways using your own ideas and some of the vocabulary from the Ex. 9.

1) I took this photo last year in (name of the city / country). We wanted to (activity) so we decided to go on a (type of holiday) there. We stayed in a really (adjective) (place). It was truly a trip of a lifetime!

2) Personally, I would prefer to go on a (type of a holiday 1) rather than on a (type of a holiday 2). There are a few reasons for it, the main of which is the fact that it helps / it is necessary to (activity for holiday).

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3) Talking about my childhood preferences, I can say that when I was a kid, I preferred to have a (type of a holiday 1) rather than a (type of a holiday 2). This was because I was really keen on (activity for holiday 1). Also, I was not a big fan of (activity for holiday 2).

12 Match the word combinations with the definitions.

1) a globetrotter	A) to hitchhike
2) off the beaten track	B) to take very little luggage with you
3) to live out of a suitcase	C) a desire to travel and see different places
4) to thumb a lift	D) somebody who travels a lot
5) culture shock	E) isolated from town, villages etc.
6) staycation	F) to be away from home a lot
7) to travel light	G) away from popular places
8) self-catering	H) confusion or anxiety that travelers experience when visiting a different country
9) itchy feet	I) a holiday that you spend at home or nearby
10) in the middle of nowhere	J) having cooking facilities available

13 Complete the gaps with the suitable expression from Ex. 12.

1) One of the biggest problems Europeans face when they travel to East is _____. It is more like visiting another planet.
2) I hadn't been anywhere for years and then all of a sudden I got _____ and booked one-way tickets to Peru.
3) Jack travels a lot on business. It seems that he spends most of his life living _____.
4) The hotel was _____. There was nothing interesting to see or do outside. So we had to stay in and it was the most boring holiday I'd ever had.
5) I don't like staying at busy resorts. I prefer to go somewhere a bit quieter, _____.
6) I guess it's the fifth time Mary's gone on holiday this year. She's already been to Alaska, New Zealand, Poland and Portugal. She's a real _____.
7) It's easy to have a _____ if you live in New York, Moscow or London. Lots of things to do at any time of the year.
8) This time we booked a _____ holiday. I hope it will be cheaper than staying at a hotel or eating out every night.

14 Express the following in English.

1) Я считаю, что нет ничего лучше, чем путешествия, для того, чтобы узнать свою страну. У меня есть ряд аргументов в поддержку своей позиции. Во-первых, путешествия по своей стране помогают лучше понять культуру и традиции своего народа. Во время путешествия ты знакомишься с местными людьми и можешь увидеть их обычаи.

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2) Тем не менее существует и противоположное мнение. Полагают, что для того чтобы расширить свои знания о стране, необязательно путешествовать по ней и что есть и лучшие способы. Например, чтение книг, в частности энциклопедий, и просмотр ТВ-программ позволяет узнать о своей стране и при этом сэкономить деньги.

3) Я абсолютно убеждён, что провести отпуск дома — это лучший вариант. У меня есть несколько причин на это, основная из которых заключается в том, что такой способ помогает избежать стресса. Общеизвестно, что подготовка и переезд к месту отдыха отнимает много сил и энергии. Туристы часто испытывают стресс по ряду причин. Например, они могут опоздать на рейс, а отель может не соответствовать их ожиданиям.

4) Однако есть те, кто полагает, что проведение отпуска дома не является лучшим видом отдыха. Они заявляют, что когда человек остаётся дома, он не может полноценно отдохнуть, так как у него нет смены обстановки и, следовательно, он испытывает нехватку новых впечатлений.

5) На этой фотографии на заднем плане изображён туристический автобус. Возле него стоит мой брат Максим и его гид Светлана. Возможно, ты заметил, что они ждут остальных туристов, чтобы продолжить путешествие. Как ты видишь, на Максиме надет розовый шерстяной свитер, так как день холодный и ветреный. Максим выглядит уставшим, так как они осматривали достопримечательности всё утро.

6) Я сделал это фото в прошлом году, когда мы с друзьями были в отпуске в Анапе. Мы отлично провели время. Если ты посмотришь повнимательнее, то на заднем плане ты увидишь узкую мощёную улочку и множество исторических зданий. Справа музей и перед ним касса. Посмотри, мой приятель Вальдемар покупает билеты. Он выглядит радостным, так как с нетерпением ждёт экскурсии. На Вальдемаре надеты зелёная рубашка с коротким рукавом и лёгкие брюки, так как день очень жаркий и солнечный.

7) Говоря о том, что бы я предпочёл в отпуске, я бы определённо выбрал бы отель, а не кемпинг. На это есть ряд причин, основная из которых заключается в том, что в отеле есть много разных удобств. Кроме того, отели обычно расположены близко к основным туристическим достопримечательностям.

8) Когда я был ребёнком, я предпочитал пляжный отдых. Во-первых, я любил лежать на лежаке, читать книжку и загорать. Во-вторых, я думаю, что пешие туры в горах, как на второй картинке, очень выматывающие.

9) Я думаю, ты бы хотел узнать, зачем я показываю тебе эту фотографию. Я помню, ты рассказывал мне о своих планах поехать в приключенческий тур следующим летом и я решил, что тебе будет интересно увидеть эту фотографию.

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