Indicator

The students:

Recognize specific information about superstitions by listening an audio and filling missing information.

LISTENING

1. Listen and fill in the spaces.

Superstition forces airline logo change

Superstition has forced a European _____ to change its _____. New Belgian carrier Brussels Airlines had to _____ its 13-red-dot logo on the tail of all its _____ because of a flood of complaints from passengers about the combination of thirteen _____ balls representing bad _____. This number is unlucky in Western _____ and many would-be passengers thought it just wouldn't do on an airplane. _____ officials were taken _____ by the volume of disapproving mail they received. Particularly upset was the original logo's designer Ronane Holt. She said the thirteen dots "looked just right" and had extra significance because the number of dots matched the _____it flew to in Africa. The design, in the shape of a "b", also resembled the pattern of _____ on an airport runway as planes taxied before take off.

All of the airline's _____ now have to go back to their hangars for a paint job. A fourteenth red dot will be added to the top of the "b". However, this may not go down well in _____, where the number fourteen is _____. One-four in Mandarin sounds like the phrase "to want to die". Passengers at Brussels airport were in two minds as to whether or not they thought the fourteen-dot logo would bring _____ luck. Frequent business flyer Rene Charles said: "In this day and age, superstitions are a little silly. There is no logic _____ them." However, she did admit that she shared the concerns of other passengers and was _____ that the newer logo has an extra dot. Brussels Airlines is the result of a merger between SN Brussels Airlines and Virgin Express. It begins flying, with the fourteen dots, on _____ 25.