

Confusable “travel” words

Travel is used to talk about going from one place to another. It can be used as a verb, noun or an adjective.

- **Verb:** Sam travels a lot
- **Noun:** Travel has become easier these days.
- **Adjective:** I know of a good travel agency.

Journey is the distance covered when travelling from one place to another. It can be a long or a short journey.

- How was your journey?
- How long is your journey to work every day?

Trip is used to talk about a short journey somewhere for a purpose, business or pleasure.

- We went on a trip to Greece.
- My boss is always on a business trip.

Tour is a journey during which several places are visited, especially on a holiday.

- **Noun:** We went on a tour to Spain last year.
- **Verb:** I toured Europe with my friends.

Voyage is used to refer to a long journey usually by sea or in space.

- Before the 20th century long sea voyages were very common.
- A spaceship will take you on a voyage through space.

Cruise refers to a voyage on a ship or boat taken for pleasure or as a holiday and usually calling in at several places or as a verb it means to sail about in an area without a precise destination, especially for pleasure.

- They were cruising off the California coast.
- We really enjoyed our cruise down the Nile last summer.

Put each of the following words in its correct place in the sentences below. Some words must be used more than once.

trip travel journey cruise tour voyage flight

1. For general advice about _____, go to a travel agent.
2. One day I would like to do the _____ by train and ship across Russia to Japan.
3. We are going on a _____ of Europe, visiting 11 countries in five weeks.
4. We went on a three-week _____ round the Mediterranean. The ship called at Venice, Athens, Istanbul and Alexandria.
5. He once went by ship to Australia. The _____ took three and a half weeks.
6. I'm going on a business _____ to Paris next week.
7. Air France _____ 507 from Paris to New York will be taking off in ten minutes.
8. The _____ from Heathrow Airport to the centre of London takes about 45 minutes by the underground.
9. On our first day in New York we went on a three-hour _____ of the city by bus, which showed us the main sights.
10. During our stay in Paris we went on a day _____ to Disneyland.

Use one of these prepositions in each space in the sentences below.

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1. I went _____ car.
2. We went _____ John's car.
3. The Smiths went _____ a journey.
4. She arrived _____ Rome at midnight.
5. Rob arrived _____ the airport well in time.