



One word only

Read through the following and fill in the numbered blanks with one suitable word.

Most of the missing words are prepositions.

Travel plans

I live (1) Sweden, but every summer I like to travel (2) Britain to visit my family and friends. I hate flying, so last summer I decided that for a (3) I would travel (4) bus. (5) to the brochure I received (6) the travel agency, the bus would leave Malmö (7) 9.30 (8) Friday evening and arrive (9) London the following Sunday at 7.30 (10) the morning. The journey would involve taking the boat (11) Trelleborg on the south (12) of Sweden to Travemünde (13) West Germany. Then we would drive (14) Germany, Holland and Belgium (15) taking another boat (16) Ostend (17) Dover. It sounded wonderful — (18) least (19) theory.

In (20), the journey was a nightmare from (21) to finish. (22) begin (23), I made the mistake (24) not reserving a berth (25) Trelleborg and Travemünde since it was quite impossible to sleep (26) to the combined singing (27) groups of drunk Germans and Swedes, each trying (28) outdo the other in (29) of volume and vulgarity.

Again, I had forgotten that you are not allowed to smoke (30) Swedish buses, which made the journey (31) stops seem even longer than it was (32) reality. It also meant that when we did eventually have a break I spent the whole time (33) up for the hours when I had not been able to smoke, (34) the result that I could not be bothered to waste valuable "smoking" time (35) queuing up (36) a meal.

(37) the time we reached London I was a physical and mental wreck! I had not slept or eaten properly (38) almost thirty-six hours and all I wanted to do was sleep. So I checked (39) a really shoddy hotel next (40) Victoria Coach Station and slept soundly (41) twelve hours, (42) the same time vowing that never again would I make the journey from Sweden (43) Britain by bus. (44) fact, (45) that experience, flying took (46) a whole new dimension and far (47) hating it, I would now not dream (48) travelling any other way.

CHECK YOUR ANSWERS! ☺

