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Reading: A2

An airport notice

Read a notice at the airport and answer the questions to practise reading important information.

Before reading

Do the preparation task first. Then read the notice and do the exercises.

Preparation task

Match the definitions (a–h) with the vocabulary (1–8).

Vocabulary	Definition
1. ..... to weigh	a. to be permitted or possible
2. ..... a device	b. water, tea and oil are all examples of this
3. ..... fully charged	c. the area in the plane where suitcases go
4. ..... security staff	d. to find out how heavy something is
5. ..... a liquid	e. inside a plane, boat or train
6. ..... to be allowed	f. with 100% battery
7. ..... on board	g. a machine like a laptop, mobile phone or tablet
8. ..... the hold	h. people with the job of making sure there is no danger

An airport notice

What can I take on the plane as hand luggage?

Please note that passengers can only take ONE suitcase onto the plane. It must be no bigger than 55cm x 22cm x 35cm and weigh no more than 10kg.

You can also take one small laptop bag or handbag that can fit under the seat in front of you. If you have two bags, their total weight cannot be more than 10kg. If your bag is too big or too heavy, you will not be allowed to take it onto the plane. Staff will put it in the hold for you and you will have to pay extra.

Please make sure mobile phones and other devices are fully charged so that security staff can check them.

Liquids in bottles bigger than 100ml are allowed on board if you buy them in the airport shops after you've passed security.

We hope you enjoy your flight!

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Tasks

Task 1

Circle the best answer.

1. How many bags can you take as hand luggage?

   a. 1 b. 2 c. 10

2. Which of these can NOT go as hand luggage?

   a. A suitcase and handbag that weigh 10kg in total

   b. A suitcase, a laptop and a handbag that weigh 10kg in total

   c. A suitcase and a laptop that weigh 5kg each

3. Which thing can you NOT take in your hand luggage?

   a. A mobile phone that doesn't work

   b. A 500ml bottle of water from a shop after airport security

   c. A 100ml liquid soap from home

4. What will happen to hand luggage that weighs 11kg?

   a. You can keep it with you on the plane if you pay extra.

   b. It can't go on the plane.

   c. It has to go under the plane.

Task 2

Complete the sentences with words from the box.

hold	Passengers	allowed
Security	weigh	fully charged

1. ..... can take two bags on board the plane.
2. Ten kilograms is the most your bags can .....
3. ..... staff might need to check your devices.
4. You can only take ..... tablets on board.
5. You are not ..... to pack liquids from home if they are more than 100ml.
6. Heavy bags have to go in the .....

Discussion

Do you like to fly with only hand luggage?

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Answers

Preparation task

1. d
2. g
3. f
4. h
5. b
6. a
7. e
8. c

Task 1

1. b
2. b
3. a
4. c

Task 2

1. Passengers
2. weigh
3. Security
4. fully charged
5. allowed
6. hold

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