Reading Comprehension: A University Trip Abroad
Topic: Travelling Situations, Plans, and Decisions

Reading: Planning the Study Trip

A group of university students is planning a study trip to London during the summer break. Their professor, Dr. Harris, has organized the trip because the students will visit several universities and important historical places.

Maria and her classmates are excited, but they have many decisions to make. First, they must choose their flights and book their accommodation. Dr. Harris says that they should make reservations early because prices may increase during the summer.

The students can stay in a university residence or in a small hotel. Maria thinks the residence is cheaper, but her friend Daniel says that a hotel would be more comfortable. They are still discussing their options.

Before travelling, the students must check their passports and other important documents. Some students may need a visa, depending on their nationality. They also should buy travel insurance because unexpected problems can happen during a trip.

Maria is worried about the weather. "It might rain while we are in London," she says. Daniel replies, "That's possible, but we can visit museums and indoor attractions if it rains."

During the trip, the students will attend a conference at a university. They could also meet international students and learn about different academic programs. Maria hopes they will have time to explore the city after the conference.

Finally, the group decides that everyone must arrive at the airport three hours before the flight. "We should be organized," says Dr. Harris. "If we plan everything carefully, we will have an excellent academic and cultural experience."

Activity 1: Multiple-Choice Reading Comprehension - Instructions: Choose the correct answer: A, B, or C.

1. Where are the university students planning to travel?
   A. To Paris, France. B. To London, England. C. To New York, USA.

2. Why has Dr. Harris organized the trip?
   A. Because the students will visit universities and important historical places.
   B. Because the students want to go shopping.
   C. Because the university is closed for the summer.

3. What must the students choose and book before travelling?
   A. Their flights and accommodation.
   B. Their new university courses and teachers.
   C. Their transportation around their hometown.

4. Why should the students make reservations early?
   A. Because they may receive free tickets.
   B. Because prices may increase during the summer.
   C. Because the trip will finish early.

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5. What are the two accommodation options mentioned in the text?
   A. A university residence or a small hotel.
   B. A campsite or a family house.
   C. A large apartment or a hostel.

6. Why does Daniel prefer staying in a hotel?
   A. Because he thinks it would be more comfortable.
   B. Because the hotel is closer to his home.
   C. Because his family works at the hotel.

7. What important documents must students check before travelling?
   A. Their passports and other important documents.
   B. Their university grades and homework.
   C. Their library cards and student notebooks.

8. Why may some students need a visa?
   A. Because they want to study a new language.
   B. Because visa requirements may depend on their nationality.
   C. Because they want to stay at a hotel.

9. Why should students buy travel insurance?
   A. Because unexpected problems can happen during a trip.
   B. Because it gives students free accommodation.
   C. Because it helps them buy cheaper clothes.

10. What might happen to the weather in London?
   A. It might rain during their stay.
   B. It might snow every day.
   C. It might be extremely hot all week.

11. What can the students do if it rains?
   A. They can cancel the entire trip.
   B. They can visit museums and indoor attractions.
   C. They can stay at the airport all day.

12. What will the students attend during the trip?
   A. A conference at a university. B. A music concert. C. A soccer competition.

13. Who could the students meet?
   A. Famous movie stars. B. International students. C. Professional athletes.

14. When must everyone arrive at the airport?
   A. Three hours before the flight. B. Thirty minutes before the flight. C. One hour after the flight.

15. What does Dr. Harris think students should do before the trip?
   A. Be organized and plan everything carefully.
   B. Wait until the last minute to make decisions.
   C. Avoid checking their travel documents.

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Activity 2: Write True (T) or False (F).

1. The students are planning a trip to London. _____
2. The trip is only for entertainment. _____
3. The students must book their accommodation. _____
4. Dr. Harris thinks students should make reservations early. _____
5. Maria thinks hotels are cheaper than university residences. _____
6. Daniel thinks a hotel would be more comfortable. _____
7. All students must apply for a visa. _____
8. The students should consider buying travel insurance. _____
9. Maria thinks it might rain in London. _____
10. The students will attend a university conference. _____

Activity 3: Modal Verbs in Context - Complete the sentences with a suitable modal verb from the box.

can – could – should – must – will – would – may – might

1. Students _____ arrive at the airport three hours before the flight.
2. The students _____ visit museums if it rains.
3. Some students _____ need a visa, depending on their nationality.
4. The students _____ make reservations early to get better prices.
5. The group _____ attend a conference during the trip.
6. The students _____ meet international students during the visit.
7. It _____ rain during their stay in London.
8. A hotel _____ be more comfortable than a university residence.

Activity 4: Choose the Correct Meaning

1. Students must check their passports.
   a) It is optional. b) It is necessary. c) It is impossible.
2. Students should make reservations early.
   a) It is advice. b) It is a prohibition. c) It is a past action.
3. Students can visit museums.
   a) They have permission or ability. b) They are required to visit. c) They visited in the past.
4. Students may need a visa.
   a) It is certain. b) It is possible. c) It is impossible.
5. It might rain.
   a) It is a possibility. b) It is an obligation. c) It is a plan.
6. The students will attend a conference.
   a) A future plan or prediction. b) Advice. c) Permission.
7. The students could meet international students.
   a) A possible opportunity. b) A strict obligation. c) A prohibition.
8. A hotel would be more comfortable.
   a) A rule. b) A past event. c) A hypothetical preference or opinion.

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