

Get ready!

1 Before you read the passage, talk about these questions. Use the HELP button to compare your answers.

Family-Friendly Lodging

babysitting

crib

stroller

playroom

RP **Family-Friendly Lodging**

Looking for a vacation that's fun for the entire family? Visit the Royal Point Hotel, where family vacations are easy. Our guest rooms are perfect for families. Order **kid-friendly** movies on **pay-per-view**. Watch the newest hit movies on the TV in your room. And remember, we provide **cribs** upon request. What about entertainment beyond your hotel room? Visit our hotel restaurant. It has a **children's menu** that satisfies **picky** eaters. Or rent a **stroller** from the front desk and explore the nearby attractions. Do mom and dad want a quiet evening together? Let us do the **babysitting**. With our professional **childcare specialists** and a fun **playroom**, you don't have to worry.

1 Is it hard to travel with children? Why?

2 What activities do families do on vacation?

Reading

2 Read the text on a hotel website, and then choose the correct answers.

1 What is the main idea of the website?

- ☐ A how to set up childcare at the hotel ☐ B how to choose a kid-friendly hotel ☐ C why the hotel is good for guests with children ☐ D ways to make family vacations less expensive

2 Which of the following is NOT true?

- ☐ A The hotel offers a babysitting service. ☐ B Guests have access to movies in rooms. ☐ C All guest rooms come with cribs. ☐ D Kids have a place to play at the hotel.

3 According to the passage, what is special about the hotel's restaurant?

- ☐ A It has toys. ☐ B It features a playroom. ☐ C It offers meals for children. ☐ D It has televisions for kids to watch.

Reading

5  Listen and read the passage again. What can guests do with their children at the hotel? Fill in the gaps.

Guests can watch - movies with their children, enjoy special meals from the children's menu or let them play in the . They can also leave the hotel and explore the nearby attractions using a(n) .

Vocabulary

3 Match the words or phrases with the definitions (A-G).

upon request kid-friendly pay-per-view babysit playroom childcare specialist crib

A a special bed for babies

B something that is done or made for children

C a place with toys and games

D a person who knows how to take care of kids

E something done or provided when someone asks for it

F a system of billing for movies that people watch on TV

G to take care of children when the parents are away

Vocabulary

4 Complete the sentences with words from the word bank.

stroller children's menu picky

1 Michael is very and only eats certain foods.

2 Put the baby in the when you go outside.

3 The restaurant has many choices available on its .

Listening

6  Listen to a conversation between a front desk clerk and a guest. Then mark the following statements as *True* or *False*.

1 The parents want to take the kids to a show.

True

False

2 The childcare service is free of charge.

True

False

3 Toys are provided for the children.

True

False

Listening

7  Listen again, and fill in the blanks.

Clerk: Good afternoon, Mr. Clark. How can I 1) ?

Guest: My wife and I want to go to a show tonight. But we don't want 2) our kids.

Clerk: Well, we offer free 3) .

Guest: How does that work?

Clerk: You just leave your children in the 4) office. It's on the second floor.

Guest: Is there anything for the kids to do there?

Clerk: Yes. There's a playroom with a lot of 5) .

Guest: Good! The babysitting 6) sounds perfect!

Speaking

8 Complete the conversation below based on Task 7, with the sentences given. Then, take roles and act it out.

USE LANGUAGE SUCH AS:

How can I help you?
How does that work?
It's on the floor.

Student A: You are a guest. You want to go out for the evening without your children. Ask Student B questions to find out about:

- hotel childcare
- what the kids get to do
- how much it costs

Student B: You are a clerk at the front desk of the hotel. Answer Student A's questions.

There's no charge, Ms. Bracken. Yes, there's a playroom with a lot of toys. Well, we offer free babysitting.
It's on the fourth floor. How can I help you?

A: Good afternoon.

B: Good afternoon, Ms. Bracken.

A: My husband and I want to go to a concert tonight. But we don't want to take our kids.

B:

A: How does that work?

B: You just leave the children in the childcare office.

A: Is there anything for the kids to do there?

B:

A: Great! That sounds perfect. How much does it cost?

B: It's free.

Writing

9 Use the conversation in Task 8 to complete the childcare release form.

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Childcare

Office

Date: November 7

Family name:

Number of children: 2

Reason for seeking childcare: Parents want to

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Front desk clerk: Good afternoon, Mr. Clark. How can I help you?

Guest: My wife and I want to go to a show tonight. But we don't want to take our kids.

Front desk clerk: Well, we offer free babysitting.

Guest: How does that work?

Front desk clerk: You just leave your children in the childcare office. It's on the second floor.

Guest: Is there anything for the kids to do there?

Front desk clerk: Yes. There's a playroom with a lot of toys.

Guest: Good! The babysitting service sounds perfect!