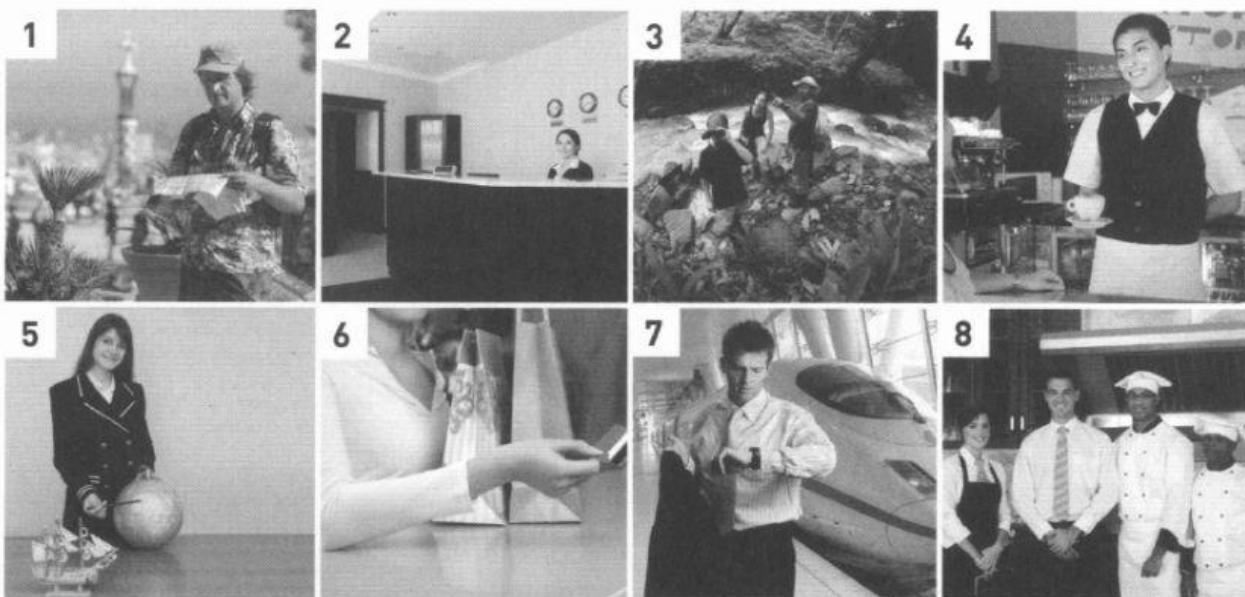


1 On the move

Aims: Predicting answers | Understanding synonyms and paraphrasing
Completing forms | Matching | Answering multiple-choice questions

Part 1: Vocabulary



1 Match the words a-h to the pictures 1-8.

a customers	—	c staff	—	e tour guide	—	g travel agent	—
b passenger	—	d receptionist	—	f tourist	—	h waiter	—

2 Learning words related to a topic is a good way to increase your vocabulary for the IELTS Listening exam. Complete the passage about hotels below with the words a-h. There are two possible answers for four of the gaps.

a alternative	—	c old-fashioned	—	e sufficient	—	g traditional	—
b common	—	d reasonable	—	f suitable	—	h unique	—

The Grand Hotel was built in 1900 and has a(n) (1) _____ style; there is nothing like it in the local area. Although the interior design is (2) _____, the facilities are modern. The hotel has a conference centre and meeting rooms so it is (3) _____ for business purposes.

A(n) (4) _____ option is the Hotel Royal, which is a(n) (5) _____ choice for tourists because the prices are (6) _____, and it is next to the beach. The hotel is not modern; in fact it is quite (7) _____ and in need of minor repair, but it is (8) _____ for a short break.

3 Match the words 1–8 with their synonyms a–h.

1 suitable _____	a conventional
2 traditional _____	b frequent
3 alternative _____	c dated
4 unique _____	d other
5 old-fashioned _____	e adequate
6 reasonable _____	f appropriate
7 sufficient _____	g fair
8 common _____	h individual

4 Choose the sentence which does **not** mean the same as the key sentence.

- 1 The price of dinner was reasonable.
 - a I thought the meal was a fair price.
 - b The bill for dinner was not too expensive.
 - c That meal was overpriced.
- 2 Three hours will be sufficient to see all of the art gallery.
 - a Three hours should give you enough time to see everything in the art gallery.
 - b I think three hours is an adequate amount of time for viewing the art gallery.
 - c You'll be unlikely to see all the art gallery in three hours.
- 3 I don't think this hotel is suitable for children.
 - a This hotel is quite satisfactory for families.
 - b I wouldn't recommend bringing under 18s to this hotel.
 - c This hotel isn't appropriate for minors, in my view.
- 4 Heavy rain is common in this area at this time of year.
 - a There is often bad weather here at this time of year.
 - b At this time of year there are occasional storms around here.
 - c In this region rain is frequent at this time of year.

Part 2: Practice exercises

Exam tip: Before you listen, try and predict what the answers will be. This will help you focus your mind as you read the questions before you hear the recording and enable you to make better guesses. Ask yourself the following questions:

- What is the subject of the answer? For example, is it a name, a date, a country?
- What word fits grammatically? Is it a noun, a verb, an adjective or an adverb?
- What is the function of the answer? For example, is it a comparison, a list, an instruction, a label, a question?



1 You are going to listen to two university students discussing their holiday plans. Look at the listening task below and predict the kinds of answers you are listening for.

Listen and write the missing information. Write NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS AND/OR A NUMBER for each answer.

Jenny's holiday plans

	Predictions	Answer
Destination:	1 _____	4 _____
Length of holiday:	2 _____	5 _____
Type of holiday:	3 _____	6 _____

Now check your answers.



2 Read the sentences 1–6 below and predict the answers based on the content and grammar of each sentence.

Listen to the same conversation as you heard in Exercise 1 and complete the sentences.

Steve's holiday plans

Predictions	Answers
1 Steve is going on holiday for _____.	4 Steve is going on holiday for _____.
2 He is going on holiday with his _____.	5 He is going on holiday with his _____.
3 He is going on holiday in order _____ French.	6 He is going on holiday in order _____ French.

Now check your answers.

**Exam information: Form completion (1)**

In the IELTS Listening exam, you may have to complete a form. This question type can often be found in Section 1. Normally, each answer is one or two words. In Section 1, the information is factual; for example, dates, places and times.

3 Look at the form below. If this were an exam task, what kind of information would you be listening for (place, time, name, date)?

OUTBOUND FLIGHT DETAILS	
Full name:	1 _____
Telephone number:	07953 299101
Flight number:	JK402
Depart:	London Heathrow
Arrive:	2 _____
Departure time:	3 _____
Date of travel:	4 _____

4 The information needed to complete a form can be expressed in different ways. Look at the examples 1–7 below and write *name*, *date*, or *time* next to each one.

- 1 Mr R. D. Davison _____
- 2 Ten fifteen _____
- 3 Ronald Davison ... D-A-V-I-S-O-N (spelling) _____
- 4 July twenty-third _____
- 5 A quarter past ten _____
- 6 Davison Ronald Davison _____
- 7 The twenty-third of July _____

Exam tip: When you complete a form, it is important to spell the names of people and places correctly. Any words you are not expected to know will be spelled out.

Example: Mr Forsythe: F-O-R-S-Y-T-H-E

Words you are expected to know will not be spelled out.

Example: 23 North Street

Complete the form below. Write NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS AND/OR A NUMBER for each answer.

ROOM BOOKING

Name:	1 Duncan _____
Telephone number:	5762 23821
Date of arrival:	2 _____
Date of departure:	23rd September
Room type:	Twin room
Cost:	3 £ _____
Payment method:	4 _____

Exam tip: In the IELTS Listening exam, it is very unusual for the words you read to be the words you hear on the recording. You should listen for different ways of expressing the same idea.

Now check your answers.

**Exam information: Matching (1)**

In the IELTS Listening exam, you may have to match pieces of information. Such tasks can be found in any section of the exam.

6 Look at the listening task below. If this were an exam task, you would have to match the tour operators with the type of service they offer. Match the sentences 1–6 that describe a service with the services a–d in the listening task.

- 1 The service is fast. _____
- 2 If you have your student card, there is a cheaper rate. _____
- 3 This has the lowest prices. _____
- 4 It is only £3.50, which is the least expensive ticket. _____
- 5 The service isn't very regular. _____
- 6 There is 10% off for students. _____

Tour Operator	Service
1 Stanford Coaches	a offers the cheapest fare
2 ABSEL Buses	b has an infrequent service
3 Grey Bus Company	c runs an express bus
4 Flyers Coach Company	d has a student discount



Listen to the conversation between a customer and a travel agent. Match the hotels to the facilities they offer. Write a-d next to questions 1-4.

1 Hotel Sunshine	_____	a fitness facilities
2 The Highland Hotel	_____	b business facilities
3 Hotel Carminia	_____	c training courses for water sports
4 The Royal	_____	d entertainment facilities



Exam information: Multiple choice (1)

In the IELTS Listening exam, there are different types of multiple-choice questions. The first type has a number of questions, each of which has three answer options. You have to choose the answer option which is correct according to the recording. This is called a multiple-choice single-answer question.

8 Look at the multiple-choice single-answer question below and three ways of expressing the same question.

Why can't John go on the boat trip? = *Why isn't it possible for John to go on the cruise?*
 = *Why can't John go sailing?* = *Why isn't it possible for John to take part in the boat trip?*

- a He doesn't feel well.
- b He has booked theatre tickets.
- c He is scared of the water.

Think of two other ways of expressing each answer option a-c.



Listen and choose the correct answer.

1 Why can't John go on the boat trip?

- a He doesn't feel well.
- b He has booked theatre tickets.
- c He's scared of the water.



10 Listen and answer the questions about John and Sam's holiday.

1 Where does Sam recommend going for dinner?

- a Joe's Café
- b The Captain's Table
- c Mangan's

2 Who is going to reserve the table?

- a John
- b Sam
- c The hotel receptionist

Part 3: Exam practice

Exam tip: Don't always write down the first thing you hear. The recording often refers to a number of possible answers, but only one answers the question correctly. Look at this example conversation between a tourist and a travel agent about the date of a flight:

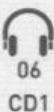
Tourist: I'd like to fly out on the twenty-third of July ... that's the Sunday, isn't it?

Travel agent: No, that's the Saturday ... the twenty-fourth is the Sunday ...

Tourist: Then the twenty-fourth ... Yes, I'd like to go on the Sunday.

The answer would be July 24th, **not** July 23rd.

SECTION 1 QUESTIONS 1–4



Complete the form below.

Write **NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS AND/OR A NUMBER** for each answer.

City Bus Tour Booking Form

Number of passengers:	2
Passenger name(s):	Susan Field and James 1
Contact telephone number:	07988 2
Hotel:	3
Bus tour time:	4 p.m.
Bus tour date:	14th August

QUESTIONS 5–6



Choose the correct letter **A**, **B** or **C**.

5 Why does a ticket for the museum cost £10?

- A The money is needed to fix parts of the building.
- B The collection of Latin American art is unique.
- C It is the only art museum in Europe.

6 The tourist office assistant suggests going to the next town for a good restaurant because

- A they overlook the sea.
- B the restaurants are bigger.
- C there are more restaurants to choose from.

QUESTIONS 7–10

Match the restaurants with their descriptions.

Write **ONE** letter **A–E** next to questions 7–10.

7 The Bellevue _____
8 The Lighthouse Café _____
9 Harvey's _____
10 Stonecroft House _____

A It is visited by famous people who work in entertainment.
B This restaurant has recently been bought by a new family.
C One family has managed the restaurant for over 100 years.
D It is expensive but serves high quality food.
E It has been decorated in a modern style.