Lessons 3–4 **A global hub**

- What do you know about the travel industry in your country?
- How important is it for the economy?
- How can airports help to increase trade?

Reading

A global hub – Dubai International Airport

A Every year thousands of passengers check in at Dubai International Airport on their way to foreign destinations. Even more are in transit – heading off to exciting places around the world on business trips and holidays. For many international airlines, the Middle East is a perfect location for a stop over to refuel.

B Dubai International Airport has grown in recent years and is now one of the busiest airport hubs in the world. It accounts for over 20% of the job market in Dubai. Emirates, the national carrier of Dubai, is based at Terminal 3, as well as the low-cost airline, Flydubai. Airport staff dealt with more than 78 million passengers in 2015 and that number will increase in the future.

C Outside the terminal, you can see planes take off and land on the hot runways. Inside the terminal buildings, however, you can count on a cool environment with luxury shopping, restaurants and even a Zen garden to relax in.

D The airport is a fantastic place for shoppers. There are hundreds of shops, including the world's largest duty-free shop where you can pick up the latest gadgets, perfume and souvenirs.

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Reading strategy

The topic sentence contains the main idea of the paragraph. Underline the topic sentences when you read to help you understand the text.

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READING: Read the text. Answer the question. Choose the correct answer.

1. Where are passengers going when they check in at Dubai International Airport?
a. The passengers are travelling to other countries.
b. The passengers are going shopping at the duty free
c. The passengers are going to watch the planes take off and land on the runway.

2. Why is Dubai International Airport called a global hub?
a. Because many people enjoy shopping at the duty free
b. Because people like to watch the planes take off and land on the runway.
c. Because Dubai airport is where most people stop for a short time before they continue travelling to another country.

3. Dubai is one of the busiest airport hubs in the world.
a. True
b. False

4. How many people used Dubai International airport in 2015?
a. one hundred thousand
b. one million
c. 78 million

5. The shops at the airport are called:
a. a shopping centre
b. the mall
c. duty free shops

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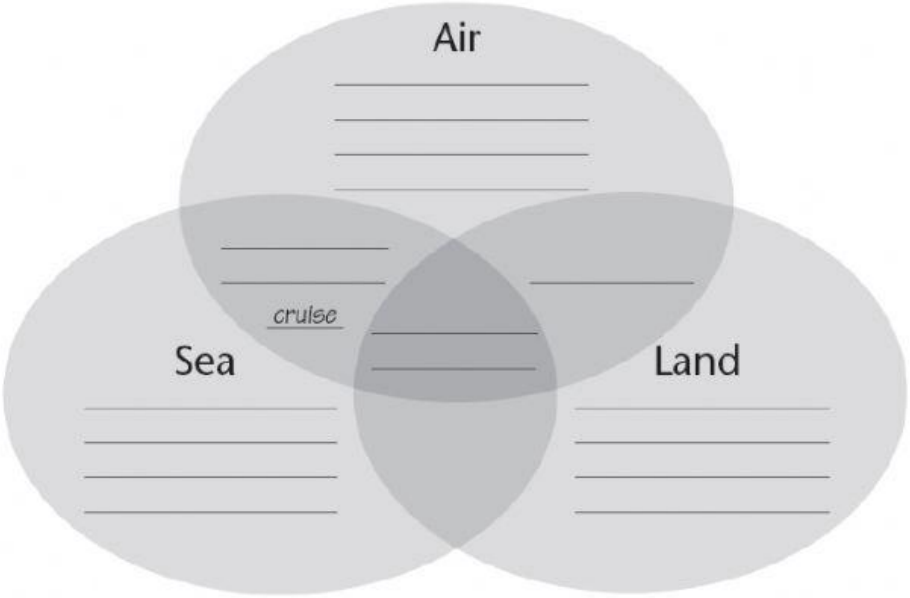
1 The words below are all linked to transport. Put them into the correct place in the diagram. Some words belong to more than one group.

terminal	station	pilot	aircraft	runway	duty-free	airport	ship	passenger	motorway
platform	driver	cruise	captain	seatbelt	passenger	port	bus	departure lounge	



2 Complete these sentences with the words below. There are two extra words.

transit	hubs	passenger	refuel	national	carrier	ships	destinations	gadgets

1 There are many _____ you can fly to from the Middle East.
2 Aircraft need to _____ when they fly from Europe to Australia because it's a long journey.
3 My parents were stuck in _____ for three hours when they missed their flight.
4 My brother loves electronic _____ such as video game consoles and Smart watches.
5 Etihad is the _____ for Abu Dhabi.
6 There are many financial _____ in the world, like London, Hong Kong and Dubai.

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