

PRE-LISTENING

There are some vocabularies that will appear on the recording. Let's guess the meaning of each vocabulary by dragging its meaning equivalent to the vocabulary.

Sort elements

- an official rule made by a government or some other authority
- the people who work for an organization or one of the armed forces
- to give somebody a job to do for payment
- to be greater than a particular number or amount
- to officially take something away from somebody, especially as a punishment
- likely to decay or go bad quickly
- feeling that somebody has done something wrong, illegal or dishonest, without having any proof

exceed (verb):	
confiscate (verb):	
perishable (adj):	
regulation (noun):	
suspicious (adj):	
employ (verb):	
personnel (noun):	

Question 11: The main purpose of the service is to

- A. educate people.
- B. persuade people to fly.
- C. provide people with comfort.

Question 12: The number of people working at Sydney Airport is

- A. 200.
- B. 360.
- C. 440.

Question 13: Dogs are chosen according to

- A. their ability to stay calm.
- B. their friendliness.
- C. their skill at locating narcotics.

Question 14: The number of postal items processed last year amounted to

- A. 4,400.
- B. 52,000.
- C. 72,000.

Question 15: People carrying items that are not allowed

- A. will get arrested.
- B. will be refused on board.
- C. will be given a warning.

Question 16: Which of the following is NOT allowed to be taken on the flight?

- A. Carry-on items
- B. Plant seeds
- C. Parcels

Question 17: What is the proper security protocol for a pocket knife found in a carry-on suitcase?

- A. It is returned to the passenger after examination.
- B. It is thrown away in a safe receptacle.
- C. It is passed on to higher-level authorities.

VOCABULARY PRACTICE

Let's listen to the recording again and fill in blanks below

Hi everyone, and welcome to Sydney Airport. Today, I'll be giving you the inside information on the day-to-day **1** of the Australian Quarantine Service here. We hope to provide you with a better **2** of why such heavy security **3** are necessary by **4** you on how we operate and why we do the things we do. We're not here to try to persuade you to fly through Sydney Airport, though we hope you'll find your experience **5** stress-free and comfortable.

First things first, our **6** . Can anyone guess how many people work at Sydney Airport? We have 200 alone working in Terminal 2, so can you guess how many in the whole airport? I heard someone say 360, that's getting **7** ... What? Did someone say 2,000? That's way too high. Sydney Airport actually **8** 440 people. A lot, right? And about half of those employees work in security-related matters.

Moving on to our not-so-human employees, let's come and see our favourite pooch, Milton. Milton is our best drug-sniffing dog on the force. He's friendly to most people – you can even come pet him at the end of our tour. Burnouts **9** , though, he'll find everything. Notice that even though there are so many of us around him, Milton stays quite calm. This is the precise reason he was chosen for the job. Dogs that are chosen are not **10** to sniff out different narcotics – that's something we teach them already.

So here's a part of the airport most people never notice – the cargo transport terminal. This is where **11** are shipped to and from. Normally we ship around 4,400 packages per month. In this airport alone, over 52,000 packages were **12** in and out over the past year. We ship to and from 170 different countries. Not bad, eh? Probably it will go up to over 72,000 packages this year. And despite over 100 flights in and out of here daily, the number of lost or **13** packages is **14** low. If you send your package through here, rest **15** we'll get it where it's going.

Let's move on to the area most of us are familiar with, the passenger terminals. In order to be **16** into this area, you must pass through security with your ticket and if you're travelling **17** , your passport. If you're travelling **18** , you just need a legal form of ID. If you don't have those, you will not be allowed to pass through security and board your flight.

During the security scan, your carry-on items will be checked for dangerous items such as weapons, sharp objects, and liquids that **19** our specified limit. If you attempt to pass any of the **20** items on this list posted at the entrance, you are still allowed to board the plane, but you'll be given a warning and your item will be **21** . Don't worry, we will not arrest you for having too much shampoo in your bag, or anything like that.

We also search your carry-ons and parcels for any **22** items. We prohibit the transportation of local vegetation and prohibit parcels containing any insects in them. You may or may not have learned about this in Biology class, but when some plants are introduced to a new environment, they spread **23** and wipe out the current species around it. It is important to control the introduction of new plants into an **24** , so we must prohibit the transport of any fertile seeds.

So what happens to parcels containing possibly **25** items? It's of course something we do not take lightly here. If an object passes through the scanner that appears suspicious in any way, it is separated out for **26** search by a member of our trained security personnel. If an illegal plant or simple sharp object like a pocket knife is found, it is simply **27** of in our bio-hazard waste containers, and the package itself is **28** to the sender (or passenger, if it is for a passenger flight). More serious weapons are reported to higher **29** for **30** .