

## Test Unit 9

A. VOCABULARY Listen and choose the correct option.



B. Read the article. Match the words and phrases from the article with their meanings

**READING**

**GOT BUMPED FROM A FLIGHT?**  
Maybe it's not so bad after all...

As most travellers know, airlines overbook flights because of the large and predictable number of "no-shows" — people who have bought a ticket but don't show up for the flight. Overbooking helps airlines limit the number of empty seats on a flight, which is a waste of resources. Some passengers with confirmed bookings are given the option to swap to another flight if their flight is overbooked. Getting bumped isn't always a bad thing, however. There is a growing trend of airlines giving passengers perks if their flight is overbooked. Why? Because airlines have to provide bumped passengers with compensation, and that ends up compensating them for the inconvenience.

In fact, airlines usually ask for volunteers to get off an overbooked flight. Passengers are given perks and more passengers say "Sure" and happily deplane. Some people even like the idea of choosing flights that are likely to be overbooked, just in case they are!

**Dover blames GPS for train crash**

George Hall-Lan night, Edward Carter, 43, of White Plains told police that his car's global positioning system (GPS) directed him to make a wrong turn directly onto the tracks he had been following. As a result, his car became stuck on the track, and he had to abandon the car.

In a statement to the police, the father of two was driving north with his son on the Saw Mill Parkway in White Plains when he got lost. They planned to go to a restaurant on Route 117.

He followed the directions from his GPS and he ended up on the parkway at Green Lane. But then, instead of driving the parkway, he turned right onto the railroad tracks. He was driving about 8 mph.

He got stuck on the tracks and the car became stuck on the tracks, and he had to abandon the car.

The man and his son tried to push the car off the tracks, but they couldn't. Instead, they called a Merrick, North company. Mr. Carter's car, Luckily, there were no deaths or injuries. Police say that drivers need to pay attention to the road, not the GPS unit.

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. overbook      a. have to get off the plane because there aren't enough seats  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 2. "no-shows"      b. someone who offers to get off an overbooked flight  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 3. get bumped      c. get off the plane  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 4. volunteer      d. sell too many tickets for a flight  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 5. perks      e. benefits like cash, free flights, hotels, and meals  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 6. deplane      f. people who have tickets but don't appear for a flight

Read the articles on page 106 of the Student's Book again. Answer the questions.

1. Why do airlines overbook flights?  
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 2. What do airlines give bumped passengers?  
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 3. Why did Mr. Carter turn onto the train tracks?  
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 4. Were Mr. Carter and his son in the car when the train hit it?  
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 5. What advice do the police officers give?  
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C. Complete each statement with a correct word or phrase.

limousine      overbooked      express      an aisle      cancelled  
 hotel reservation      not-stop      direct      rental car

1. It's important to make a ..... early because it can be difficult to find a room after you arrive.  
 2. When your whole family is going to the airport together, you can reserve a ..... . It's usually very comfortable and has space for all of your luggage.  
 3. It can be convenient to use a ..... if you want to drive but can't bring your own car.  
 4. Do you think I should take the ..... train? I know it's much faster, but I'm not sure it stops at my station on weekends.  
 5. My husband always gets ..... seat. He likes to get up and walk around on long flights.

D. Complete each statement or question with **should** or **could**.

1. ..... the express. The local arrives too late. (advice)  
 He / take  
 2. They said ..... two aisle seats or an aisle and a window. (possibility)  
 we / have  
 3. ..... ! ..... the 7:30!  
 She/buy      You / make  
 4. No ..... a direct flight. They have to change planes in Antofagasta. (advice)  
 They / not / get  
 5. Which train ..... ? We absolutely have to be there on time. (advice)  
 we / take

E. Complete each statement or question with **be going to**.

1. A: On Saturday, ..... we / leave ..... for Cancún.  
 2. B: Really? ..... you and Margo / go ..... a car there? There are some great places to explore.  
 3. A: No, I think ..... we / stay ..... on the beach and rest.  
 4. By the way, where ..... you and Margo / go ..... for your vacation?  
 5. B: I'm not sure. But ..... I / travel ..... to Bangkok on .....  
 6. business next month, and ..... I / take ..... a few days off to go sightseeing. I hear it's great.  
 7. When ..... for the airport?  
 she / leave  
 8. ..... a limo for her.  
 He / reserve  
 9. The tourist ..... a Hotel reservation in Paris.  
 need  
 10. ..... a rental car at John F. Kennedy Airport?  
 Lucy / get