

### Travel English imperatives and requests practice

Add just "Please..." to all the phrases below which are correct sentences with just that added, because they are orders/ instructions/ commands or because they are offers (of help etc). Make sure that you don't just add "Please..." to requests. Note that some of the commands could also take request forms, but you should just add "Please..." to commands/ orders/ instructions at this stage.

accept our apologies for any inconvenience caused  
board from gate 23  
book a restaurant for us  
check what I should write here  
come this way  
dial nine for the front desk  
do not leave any baggage unattended  
empty your pockets and take off all belts, jewellery, watches, coats and shoes  
explain these items on my bill  
fill in landing cards before you reach the immigration desks  
get past  
have a wake-up call at 7 a.m  
have another look at the dessert menu  
have your boarding passes and passports ready for inspection  
let me know when you are ready to order  
open all the blinds  
order some room service  
pay by credit card  
put coats and jackets onto the belt too  
put your chairs into an upright position  
recommend something to do with small kids  
remain seated until the plane comes to a complete standstill  
remain seated until your seat number is called  
remove any metal items and step through the metal detector again  
remove computers from your hand luggage and put them through separately  
return to your seats  
see your boarding pass and passport  
sit anywhere you like  
stand over here and raise your arms  
stow your tables ready for landing  
take me to this address  
take the monorail to terminal two  
tell me how to adjust the temperature in the room  
translate this for me  
turn off your mobile phones or switch them to aircraft mode

Add request forms like "Can you...?" or "Could I possibly...?" to all the other sentences above.

Are any of the commands/ orders/ instructions above better with "Can/ Could" forms?



*Without looking above for now, brainstorm questions using each of the starters given for each of the people below. Phrases not above are also okay.*

**Traveller**

**Asking for information**

Can I check...?

Can I pay...?

Can you explain...?

Can you recommend...?

Can you tell me...?

**Requests**

Can I have...?

Can I order...?

Could you possibly book...?

Sorry, can I...?

Sorry, could you...?

Would it be possible to...?

**Staff**

**Airport check-in staff**

Please board...

Please take...

**Security**

Please have...

Please take off...

Please put...

Please remove...

Please stand...

**Airport announcements (including at the gate)**

Please accept...

Please board...

Please do not leave...

Please remain...

**Announcements in the aircraft**

Please do not...

Please listen...

Please open...

Please put...

Please remain...

Please return...

Please stow...

Please turn off...

**Immigration**

Please fill in...

Please have...

**Hotel staff**

Please dial...

*Look at the first worksheet for ideas, brainstorm more, then compare your extra phrases.*