

Travel Vocabulary and Roleplays

Choose situations from below and roleplay the whole conversation from beginning to end.

Phoning a hotel – book one *double room*, one *single room* and one *twin room*

Phoning a hotel – change your booking

Phoning a hotel – ask about *meeting rooms*

In a hotel – ask the doorman if you should take a bus or taxi to the city centre (= downtown)

In a hotel – you need *internet access*, so ask the receptionist for the password for the Wi-Fi

In a hotel – ask the receptionist to recommend where to do some shopping

In a hotel – *check out*, paying for what you have used in the *minibar*

In a hotel – phone reception from your room and ask for an *alarm call*

In a hotel – you arrive before *check-in time*

In a hotel – you have booked a room, but want to change it a bit when you arrive

In a hotel – you need a room, but haven't booked one before you arrive

In a hotel – you think you have *reserved a room*, but the hotel doesn't have a booking for you

In a hotel – ask about the details of using the hotel *indoor pool*

In a hotel – when you try to use your credit card to check out it has already passed its expiry date

At a railway station – ask another *passenger* if you are on *the right platform* for London – you aren't

At a railway station – buy a single ticket (= one way ticket) for one person and a return ticket (= round trip ticket) for the second person

At a railway station – the *next train* is in ten minutes but that is too soon for you, so buy a ticket for the one after that

Phoning a travel agent – ask about travelling to Phuket – there aren't any *direct flights*



At an airport – buy some duty free goods, showing your boarding pass

At an airport – check in, asking for an aisle seat

At an airport – when you *go through security* they find scissors and hand cream in your *hand luggage*

At an airport – you are *queuing at the check-in desk* but your flight leaves in 40 minutes

At an airport – you go to *collect your luggage* but isn't on the *baggage reclaim carousel*

At an airport – you have three *pieces of check-in luggage* but are only allowed one

At an airport – you hear *final call* for your flight and rush to your *gate*

At an airport – you want to take your double bass on the plane as *hand luggage* when you check in

At an airport – go through passport control

Before getting into a taxi – ask about using the taxi for a *sightseeing tour*

In a taxi – you want to go to the *business district*, but you are not sure exactly where

In a taxi – when you *arrive at your destination* check which direction to walk from the taxi to the café in the park, and *ask for a receipt*

On a plane – the meal includes bacon and you can't eat pork

On a plane – you can't fasten your seatbelt

On a plane – you want to *watch an in-flight movie* but you can't make the entertainment system work

Look at the whole list of situations and ask about any vocabulary you aren't sure of, e.g. the things in italics above.



Put the words together to make common collocations related to travel

1. aisle pass

2. alarm destination

3. arrive at your call
4. baggage reclaim
5. boarding seat
6. book a room
7. business district
8. check desk
9. check-in room

10. check-in out
11. check-in luggage
12. direct man

13. do some shopping

14. doorflight15. doublegoods16. duty freetime17. expirydate

18. fasten call

19. finalyour seatbelt20. go throughsecurity21. handluggage22. in-flightcontrol23. indooraccess24. internetpool

24. internet pool 25. meeting room 26. mini room 27. passport movie 28. return tour 29. sightseeing ticket 30. single room 31. single luggage 32. take platform 33. the right a bus 34. three pieces of ticket

35. twin

Set up similar situations using the vocabulary above and roleplay them.

Set up similar situations connected to hotels, railway stations, airports, and planes.

Brainstorm more vocabulary connected to those places.

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