

## HOLIDAYS


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| <b>Main theme addressed</b> | <b>In this lesson, you will learn about holidays.</b>  |
| <b>Key Goals</b>            | <b>Here is an outline of what you will learn today:</b><br><br><b>1. Preparing your holidays</b><br><br><b>2. The trip to your destination</b> |

### **1. Preparing your holidays**

What do you want to do for the holidays?

To start, you need to choose what you are going to do during your holidays.

Have a look at the following list:

|             |   |                   |   |
|-------------|---|-------------------|---|
| city break  |    | theme parks       |    |
| cruise      |    | cultural holidays |    |
| backpacking |   | ski holidays      |   |
| safari      |  | beach holidays    |  |

Did you choose your favorite type of holidays?

Before you go **on** holiday, there is a lot to prepare!

- First, you need to **book** a flight and a hotel.
- To do so, you will **do** some research on the internet and probably make some calls.
- Once your flight and your hotel are booked, you will need to **pack** your luggage.

When we talk about the transport from your place to your destination, we say:

**To travel + by + means of transport**

Examples:

If you are not going too far away, you can travel **by bus**, **by train**, or **by car**.

If you're going further, you can travel **by plane** or **by boat**.

### Dialogue Exercise:

In pairs, prepare a short dialogue on the phone with the following information:

| Student A: The guest  | Student B: The receptionist   |
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| You booked your hotel room successfully but still have some questions.  | You work at the reception and are there to answer the phone.  |
| Ask:  | You know that:  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• if pets are allowed</li> <li>• if breakfast is included</li> <li>• how much the access to the swimming pool costs</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Small pets are allowed in the hotel</li> <li>• Breakfast costs an additional 10€</li> <li>• The swimming pool is open to all hotel guests</li> </ul> |

You can now prepare your **luggage!**

Here is what you could take with you:

|                                 |   |                                 |   |
|---------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|
| <p><b>a suitcase</b></p>        |    | <p><b>your passport</b></p>     |    |
| <p><b>a backpack</b></p>        |    | <p><b>some cash</b></p>         |    |
| <p><b>your toiletry kit</b></p> |  | <p><b>a camera</b></p>          |  |
| <p><b>your wallet</b></p>       |  | <p><b>your plane ticket</b></p> |  |
| <p><b>your clothes</b></p>      |  | <p><b>your shoes</b></p>        |  |

## You are almost ready to go!

Just a few last things to settle down:

- a) Did you decide to travel with your pet?  
→ If not: Who is going to **look after** it?
- b) Do you have any plants at home?  
→ If yes: Who is going to **water** them?
- c) Who is going to **get your mail** for you?
- d) Who is going to **drop you off** at the airport?
- e) Who is going to **pick you up** from the airport?

### Exercise:

**Do you understand the words highlighted in blue?**

**Write a definition or a synonym below:**

1. To look after someone:

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2. To water a plant:

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3. To get the mail:

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4. To drop someone off:

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5. To pick someone up from somewhere:

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## 2. The trip to your destination

Here's a checklist for you to bear in mind when travelling by plane:

- Check the “**restricted or prohibited items**” list before packing.
- Check your **baggage allowance** before packing.
- Be there on time, you don't want to **miss your plane!**
- Don't forget to do the **check-in** before boarding the plane.
- Bring your **hand baggage** to **security** before boarding.
- Show your **boarding pass** before boarding the plane.
- **Fasten** your **seatbelt** before **takeoff**.
- Listen to the **safety instructions** before **taking off**.
- Enjoy your flight until your plane **lands**.

**Exercise:**

**Did you understand the highlighted words above?**

**Link them to their definition:**

|                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1. To do the check in             | a) When the plane rises up in the air   |
| 2. Baggage allowance              | b) The items that you can take with you in the cabin of the plane   |
| 3. Hand baggage                   | c) What the company advises you to do if there is an accident   |
| 4. Security                       | d) The number of items that you can have on the plane   |
| 5. Restricted or prohibited items | e) When the plane goes back down at the end of the flight   |
| 6. Boarding pass                  | f) To get your boarding pass and leave your largest suitcase for the airport's staff to put them in the plane |
| 7. To fasten a seatbelt           | g) To arrive too late to board the plane  |
| 8. Safety instructions            | h) The items that you cannot have in your luggage   |
| 9. To take off / the takeoff      | i) To attach two pieces of fabric together with a metal clip for safety reasons                               |
| 10. To land                       | j) The piece of paper that you have to show before you can board the plane                                    |
| 11. To miss a plane               | k) The place where they check your luggage to see if there is anything dangerous                              |





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