

## Topic: A Trip Abroad Shouldn't Be a Nightmare

Here are some useful words, phrases & questions that will help you prepare for our meeting

### VOCABULARY

#### Types of Vacation

package vacation/tour – пакетный тур  
backpacking trip - турпоход  
trek - поход  
safari - сафари  
expedition -экспедиция  
voyage – вояж, морское путешествие  
study tour – образовательный тур  
cultural tour – культурно-познавательный тур  
whale-watching tour – экскурсия, чтобы понаблюдать за китами  
hitchhiking – путешествовать автостопом

#### Types of Accommodation

A hotel – отель  
Bed & Breakfast (B&B) – домашняя гостиница типа «ночлег и завтрак»  
A hostel - хостел  
A campsite - кемпинг  
A guesthouse – мини-гостиница

#### Types of Rooms

A single room – одноместный номер  
A double room – двухместный номер  
A suite – номер «люкс»  
A twin room - номер на двоих с двумя кроватями  
A triple room – трехместный номер  
A dorm room – номер на несколько человек в хостеле

#### Means of Transport

I prefer to travel... - я предпочитаю путешествовать  
by bicycle – на велосипеде  
by boat – на корабле/лодке  
by bus – на автобусе  
by car – на машине  
by motorcycle – на мотоцикле  
by plane – на самолете  
by train – на поезде  
on foot – пешком

#### Important Documents & Money

A passport - паспорт  
A visa - виза  
(hotel) booking confirmation – подтверждение брони отеля  
One-way ticket – билет в одну сторону  
Round-trip ticket – билет туда-обратно  
Open-date ticket – билет с открытой датой  
Boarding pass – посадочный талон  
Immunizations records – справки о наличии прививок  
A few copies of passport – несколько копий паспорта  
Credit cards – кредитные карты  
Cash – наличные (деньги)

### QUESTIONS

Please, be ready to discuss the following questions:

1. What is your idea of a good vacation? Why?

- My idea of a good vacation is staying at home.

- My idea of a good vacation is to travel to an exotic beach in a foreign country and then relax for two weeks.
- My idea of a good vacation is to put on my backpack and disappear into the hills for a few weeks.

2. Which type of travel do you think you would like the best? Why?

- A twelve-hour flight to a foreign country.
- A train ride across the country.
- A luxury cruise through the Mediterranean.

3. How often do you take short trips (two or three days)?

- I take a short trip at least once a month.
- I take short trips a few times a year.
- I take a short trip once a year.
- I never take short trips.

4. If you had the chance, would you ...

- ... take a week trip to an exciting city.
- ... spend a week at a meditation retreat.
- ... visit family that you haven't seen for a long time.
- ... go white water rafting for a week.

5. Who do you prefer to take vacations with? Why?

- I prefer taking vacations with my close family.
- I prefer taking vacations with my extended family.
- I prefer taking vacations by myself.
- I prefer taking vacations with a good friend.

6. What type of vacation activity sounds like the most fun? Why?

- Lying on the beach
- Hanging out at a night club
- Visiting a museum
- Skiing down a mountain

7. How important is eating well to you when you are on vacation?

- It's the most important thing!
- It's important, but not for every meal.
- A good meal is nice, but not that important.
- Just give me food, so I can keep going!

8. What type of accommodations do you prefer on vacation?

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- I'd like a luxury suite, please.
- I'd prefer something close to the beach.
- I need a clean room, but it should be economical.
- I'd prefer a tent and my sleeping bag.

**TRAVEL NIGHTMARES**

Vacation is supposed to be a time for rest and relaxation. At least once a year, we scrounge up a few extra dollars and plan an escape from all the stresses of our daily lives. Before heading out the door, we double check to make sure we've packed enough socks, a toothbrush and a phone charger. But what most people don't prepare for are the calamities that can ensue.

Sure, we hear travel horror stories on the evening news, but no one ever imagines that something bad will happen to them. Unfortunately, it's that mentality that leaves many travellers woefully unprepared for the worst.

Before your next vacation, check out our list of some of the nastiest travel dilemmas and how to handle them.

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| <p><b>If your flight is cancelled or delayed ...</b></p>                | <p>Be prepared and find out what your rights are if your flight is delayed or cancelled.<br/> <i>When am I entitled to compensation?<br/>         How do I claim compensation for a delayed or cancelled flight?<br/>         Will I get any compensation if I'm waiting at the airport for a new flight?<br/>         What can I expect from my airline if my flight is cancelled due to a strike?<br/>         If I miss a connection will I get a refund?</i></p> |
| <p><b>If the airline loses your bags...</b></p>                         | <p><i>What should I do if my bag isn't at Baggage Claim?<br/>         Where do I have to report my missing luggage?<br/>         Should I file a claim before I leave the airport?<br/>         What luggage compensation can I get if my bag is officially lost?</i></p>  |
| <p><b>If your passport is stolen...</b></p>                             | <p><i>If your passport is lost or stolen you should take the following steps immediately:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Report it to the local police</i></li> <li>• <i>Get a crime reference number – you will need this to get a new passport</i></li> <li>• <i>Report the loss or theft to the Embassy</i></li> </ul>   |
| <p><i>If your ... think of any other possible travel nightmares</i></p> | <p>.....</p>   |