

THREE WISE KANGAROOS

English for Travel



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Introduction

This e-book is a collection of practical exercises connected with the area of travel. It is divided into twenty-two theme-based units and can be used by both students and teachers of English. The former can use it as a practical self-study workbook, the latter, as a versatile resource-pack filled with ready-to-use materials. It is aimed at B2-C1 students, although it can also be adapted for use with B1 learners.

English for Travel is filled with real-life language and engaging, varied, user-friendly activities. It encompasses many aspects of travel such as types of holidays, accommodation, transport, attractions, dining, airport and problems people might experience on holiday. There is a variety of activities to choose from such as vocabulary races, matching and gap-fill activities, speaking tasks based on pictures, short reading passages as well as creative writing tasks and fun challenges. You can learn and revise useful collocations to talk about your travel experiences, practical phrases to use while en route, together with idioms, confusables and differences between British and American English. You will also find out about the latest trends in tourism and be able to test your knowledge of English-speaking countries.

If you are an autonomous learner, you will find this workbook a useful companion for testing and improving your range of vocabulary and ultimately preparing to deal with all aspects of a holiday abroad. A busy teacher will find here plenty of useful resources to pick and choose from depending on your and your students' needs and preferences. It is suitable for both online and face-to-face classes.

2 Travel - useful collocations 1

Match the words to make collocations.

package	luggage
guided	board
long-haul	holiday
full	flight
excess	tour

- 1 Do you usually buy package holidays at a **travel agent's** or do you like to organise your trip by yourself?
- 2 When you buy a package holiday, do you usually go on the full board, half board or the **self-catering** option?
- 3 Have you ever been on a long-haul flight? Did you suffer from **jet lag** afterwards?
- 4 Do you enjoy guided tours?
- 5 Do you tend to **travel light** or do you usually pack too much and end up with excess luggage?

Match the words to make collocations.

historical	reserve
nature	season
peak/high	attractions
hiking	sites
must-see	trails

- 6 When you travel, do you find historical sites more interesting than **places of natural beauty** or vice versa?
- 7 What are the advantages and disadvantages of travelling during the **off-peak season**?
- 8 Do you enjoy hiking? What are some of the best hiking trails you've been on?
- 9 Have you ever been to a nature reserve or a **wildlife sanctuary**? Talk about your experience.
- 10 Do you usually do some research and find out about the must-see attractions of your destination before you go or do you find out by **exploring** the new place?

10 New trends in tourism 1

Read about some recent trends in tourism and say what you think of each of them.

Staycation



Staycation is a kind of holiday where you engage in leisure activities in your local area within a day trip distance of your home. This type of holiday doesn't require accommodation as you come back home for the night. Staycation activities might include going hiking for the day, exploring local historic sites or places of natural beauty, visiting local museums or even venturing into the less familiar parts of the town you live in. The idea is to minimise the environmental impact of travel and encourage people to explore local places while supporting local businesses and operators.

Voluntourism

It is a blend of the words 'volunteering' and 'tourism' and essentially denotes a working holiday for social and environmental causes while experiencing other cultures, community living and conservation.

Voluntourism projects might include teaching underprivileged children, working in an animal rescue centre or helping to build housing in developing countries.



Sustainable tourism



Sustainable tourism is responsible tourism that puts communities in travel destinations before tourists. It aims at limiting negative impacts to a destination such as environmental damage and economic leakage and promoting job creation, cultural heritage preservation and wildlife protection.

Travelling sustainably means, for example, staying at locally-owned accommodation, avoiding dining at international chain restaurants and cafes, shopping in local markets, buying gifts made by local artisans, participating in responsible wildlife tourism and using efficient forms of transport.