

At Customs

PART ONE USEFUL EXPRESSION

- 1. Will your family be joining you here in Canada?
- 2. How long are you planning on staying here?
- 3. Are you here on holiday or business?
- 4. Please give me your landing card and see your passport.
- 5. May I have a look at your return plane ticket, passport and visa?
- 6. I'll be here for a month or for five weeks.
- 7. I am here to meet my business partner.
- 8. Which country did you fly from?
- 9. Which is the last city you stopped over in?
- 10. Have you got anything that you need to declare?
- 11. Did you buy anything in duty-free section?
- 12. Do you have any tobacco, spirits or jewelry?
- 13. Would you mind unlocking your suitcase, please?
- 14. I have some cigarettes in my suitcase but just for my own use.
- 15. Do I have to pay duty on these items?

PART TWO MORE USEFUL EXAMPLES

- 1. This is a gift for my family who live here.
- 2. Please place your luggage on the table for inspection.
- 3. Please read all the instructions carefully before you sign the form.
- 4. Your luggage cleared and you can go now.
- 5. Do you only have items for personal use?
- 6. You will need to get an extension on your visa from Immigration.
- 7. You need to have an offer of employment with this visa.
- 8. I brought all those books for my teaching job.
- 9. Hope you enjoy your stay here with us.
- 10. I am here to do research for my degree.

PART THREE SITUATIONAL DIALOGUE PRACTICE

Number 1

Read the following dialogue and extend the dialogue so that person A directs person B to the desk handling payments. Use between 20 and 30 words for the extension.

Paying Duty

A: I see you have 2 digital cameras and 2 camcorders.

B: Yes, one camera for personal use and the other is a birthday gift. The camcorders are the new models from our supplier. Here is my company's import certificate.

A: I see. Each passenger is allowed only one used camera. You'll have to pay the import duty on the other one.

B: Well, where do I need to pay the import duty charges?

A: I have to fill out a form and ...

Number 2

Read the following dialogue and extend the dialogue so that person A directs person B to follow the green channel and to present their arrivals card and passport before exiting the customs area. Use between 20 and 30 words for the extension.

At Entrance to the Declarations Aisle

A: Do you have anything that you need to declare?

B: No. I have only personal effects or items for personal use.

A: Do you have any spirits or tobacco?

B: Yes, I've got 10 packets of cigarettes and 1 bottle of whisky.

A: That does exceed the allowable limits. Please ...