



Travelling by Air

PART ONE USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

1. What's the total flying time from Beijing to Vancouver?
2. Could you tell me what the local time on our arrival?
3. Would you mind trading seats with my son so he does not bother you?
4. I am feeling airsick.
5. I had better get the airsick bag ready so I can use it.
6. I must be looking a little of pale right now.
7. I prefer a window seat as I hate sitting in the middle.
8. I prefer to have my child in the middle.
9. Excuse me. Could I have another blanket please?
10. Do you have today's newspaper or a magazine?
11. What's the time difference between Beijing and Vancouver?
12. How many weekly flights are there to London?
13. At what time does the next non-stop to London leave?
14. Is there another flight later in the evening?
15. How long are the stops on that flight?

PART TWO MORE USEFUL EXAMPLES

1. Could I make a reservation for an early morning flight to New York?
2. The next flight leaves at 9 p.m. tomorrow.
3. I'd like to make a reservation for Chicago returning on Sunday.
4. How long is the flight from New York to Washington?
5. Where is the check-in for Korean Air?
6. Are there any flights to Hong Kong on Sunday and then on to Beijing on Monday?
7. At what time am I supposed to check in?
8. What flights are there between London and Paris tomorrow?
9. What time have I to get to the airport?
10. Do you know which channel to go through at customs?
11. How much is the total cost for the trip?
12. Please put your bags on the scales.
13. I am certain that I don't want a night flight.
14. I would prefer to fly business-class on the first leg.
15. Do I go through customs or immigration first?
16. Do I need to fill in a new arrivals card now?

PART THREE SITUATIONAL DIALOGUE PRACTICE

Number 1

The following interaction takes place in a travel agency between a service representative and a customer. Read the following dialogue aloud and complete the blanks of Person B. Use responses that are appropriate to keep the interaction realistic.

At the Travel Agency

A: British Airways. How may I help you?

B: Yes. I would like to

A: How do you want to fly, economy or first class?

B: I want to ...

A: when do you want to leave?

B: Next ...

A: We have flights at 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

B: I prefer ... How much is a return ticket?

A: \$375. What is your last or family name?

B: ...

A: And your first Initial?

B: ...

A: Ok, Mr. Wang. I've booked you on British Airways Flight BA 502.

B: Thank you. How many bags ...?

A: You are allowed 2 bags besides your carry-on.

B: How much luggage can each piece ...?

A: 22 kg each.

B: Do I have to confirm ...?

A: Yes. You should confirm your ticket by Friday.

B: Thank you.

A: Bye.

B: ...