



## ESL for LIFE with Teacher Mandy

### Conversational English Level Travel

#### Lesson 1 - Traveling by air

##### Aviation

Aviation has allowed for people to travel quickly throughout the world.

In a matter of hours, we can fly from one city, one country or one continent to another.

We can choose to go on holiday (vacation), live or work in different parts of the world.

By travelling (UK spelling) or traveling (US spelling) to different places, we learn about how other people live, their lifestyles and their different cultures.

##### Let's speak English

In these ESL Conversational English classes on travel, we will continue to expand our student's vocabulary, teaching them how to use new vocabulary acquired in everyday English conversation.

We will revise English grammar previously taught.

Our students will take part in English dialogue with different people.

We will also have interesting English conversations while we travel around the world visiting different countries while we learn more about different countries and cities, their main tourist attractions, their people and their different cultures.

##### Vocabulary and Definitions

Let's learn some English naming words (nouns) to expand your vocabulary so that you can more easily talk about traveling by air in an aeroplane (UK English) or airplane (US English) or plane.

- **aviation** - the making and flying of an aircraft that is heavier than air, e.g., airplanes, helicopters, drones etc.
- **destination** - the place or country you are traveling to
- **flight** - a journey through air or space in a vehicle such as a plane
- **domestic flight** - when you are flying to a destination within the same country
- **international flight** - when you are flying to another country
- **departures** - the area of the airport for travellers flying to other destinations

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- **departure board** - all flights departing from the airport are displayed on the departure board. You can check on the departure board whether your flight will **leave on time** as scheduled, be **delayed** (leave at a later time) or whether your flight has been **cancelled** (will no longer leave as scheduled).
- **baggage / luggage** - In UK English you can use with of these words when referring to your packed bags and suitcases that contain your clothing and things, however in US English luggage refers to empty bags and suitcases whereas baggage refers to packed bags and suitcases
- **bag wrapping** - when you wrap your luggage in plastic wrap to protect your bags and belongings
- **check in baggage or luggage** - packed bags and suitcases that are handed in at the check in counter to be weighed and checked in. Check in baggage or luggage goes into the cargo area (at the bottom of the plane) while you are flying. You collect your check in baggage or luggage after you land at the airport you are flying to.
- **carry-on baggage or luggage** - packed bags which you carry on to the plane with you. You can store these in an overhead bin above where you are sitting on the plane.
- **baggage allowance** - the maximum that your packed bag is allowed to weight
- **check in counter** - this is where you hand over your packed bags to be weighed and checked in and also where you will receive your boarding pass
- **airport staff (check in agents/passenger service agents)** - people who work in the airport, at the check in counters and at the boarding gates to assist travellers and to answer any questions travellers may have
- **boarding pass** - a paper ticket that you show at the boarding gate when you need to board the plane - the boarding pass will show the boarding gate, the boarding time and departure time of your flight and your seat number (where you are sitting on the plane).

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- **passport control** - this is where your passport is checked. After your passport is checked you proceed to the departure lounge
- **security** - this is where they might check your personal items in your packed carry-on bags or suitcases to ensure that you are only taking items onto the plane that is within the airline regulations (rules)
- **boarding or departure gate** - where you go to wait to board the plane
- **boarding** - to board is to get onto the plane
- **cabin crew** - the people who work for the airline and who are on the flight with you. When you board you will be welcomed by the flight attendants who will also serve you refreshments and meals, help you should you need assistance, answer any questions you may have and ensure your safety during your flight
- **cockpit** - this is the area in the front of the plane where the pilots and co-pilots sit, to fly the plane
- **arrivals** - the area of the airport where travellers flying in from other destinations arrive
- **baggage carousel** - where you go to collect the packed bags you checked in before your flight

#### From the Sky Video

Let's watch a video and see if you can recognise all the naming words (nouns) as introduced above, for the different places, people and things found in an airport and on an airplane - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=39Lhyf5NbMO>

#### Roll the Dice

Roll the dice. Find the word with the same number as on your die (singular) or dice (plural) and make a sentence with this word in **simple present tense**.

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##### Verb Tense Practise

Now we will revise various verb tenses by changing each simple present tense sentence to the following verb tenses using the correct past tense verbs, verbs to be and helping verbs;

- simple past tense
- past continuous tense
- present continuous tense
- simple future tense
- future continuous tense.

##### English Dialogue - Checking in

Below is a short English dialogue between a traveller who is checking in at the check n counter and the check in agent.

*The student will read the part of the traveller.*

##### Check in Agent

Good day and welcome to ESL airlines. Where will you be traveling to, today?

##### Traveller

Hi there. I am flying to Cape Town, South Africa.

##### Check in Agent

Can I see your passport and ticket please?

##### Traveller

Certainly.

##### Check in Agent

Thank you. I see you haven't booked your seat yet. Would you like a window or aisle seat?

##### Traveller

I would prefer a window seat please.

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##### Check in Agent

Ok, let me check if there are still any window seats available.

Here we go. I can seat you at a window right over here. Would this be suitable for you?

##### Traveller

Yes, thank you. That's perfect.

##### Check in Agent

Will you be checking in any luggage?

##### Traveller

Yes, just this one suitcase please.

##### Check in Agent

Please can you place your suitcase over here on the scale?

**Traveller** - This suitcase is so heavy. I hope it's not overweight.

**Check in Agent** - Let's check.

No problem, you are within the baggage allowance weight.

Here is your boarding pass. You will be boarding at gate B2 and your flight will be leaving on time at 11:45am.

The boarding gates are over there. Please proceed through the boarding gates at least 30 minutes before the boarding time reflecting on your boarding pass.

**Traveller** - Great, thank you. Will my bag I have checked in go all the way to Cape Town or do I need to collect it and recheck it in before my connecting flight to Cape Town?

##### Check in Agent

Your luggage is checked in all the way to Cape Town so you don't need to worry. You can collect your luggage when you land in Cape Town.

##### Traveller

Thank you. That makes travelling so much easier.

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##### Check in Agent

Yes, it does.

Well, thank you for flying with ESL airlines and have a great flight.

##### Traveller

Thank you very much.

##### Let's Go

Test your knowledge from when you check in at the check in counter at **departures** until you reach **arrivals** at your next destination.

##### Listen to a song

Fly to London - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7eZ9UTMvVXk>

##### Free talk time (Prep Before Class Required)

Students will need to prepare before their ESL Conversational English class.

Students will need to answer the questions below by using full sentences.

Please be prepared to talk about traveling and your favourite holiday destination.

- Have you ever travelled (UK Spelling)/travelled (US Spelling), on an airline?
- If your answer is yes, was it a domestic or international flight and what was your destination?
- If your answer is no, would you like to fly on a plane and where would you fly to?
- If you have travelled internationally, which countries have you visited?
- If you haven't flown yet, what means of transport do you use when going on holiday or when travelling?
- Which destination was your favourite and why?
- Tell Teacher Mandy about your favourite holiday and show her some photographs of your memories (if you have).
- Are you excited about this travel series and learning about other places, other lifestyles and cultures?
- If your answer is yes, where would you like us to go?
- If your answer is no, why do you not like travelling?

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##### Complete the crossword

Let's complete a crossword puzzle to revise once again the English vocabulary you learnt in this lesson about flying on a plane.

##### End with a video

Living in the age of airplanes - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=agKzmALXU4U>