

Have a good trip!

1. Match the sentence to the correct definition of the word in bold.

1. He travelled through Russia in the middle of winter.	a) time spent getting from one place to another
2. We had a nice journey but it took over five hours.	b) short visit for work, pleasure or school
3. She's away on a business trip for three days.	c) the fact of getting from one place to another
4. Please fasten your seatbelts during the flight .	d) time spent in a plane
5. The excursion to the Roman amphitheatre has been cancelled because of the bad weather.	e) moved from one place to another
6. I didn't enjoy the cruise because I got seasick.	f) visit to several different places
7. They enjoyed the tour of southern Spain and saw some beautiful villages.	g) holiday on a boat or ship
8. First-class travel is very expensive.	h) short, organised visit for pleasure

2. Explain the difference between

- a) *travel* and *journey*
- b) *trip* and *journey*
- c) *tour* and *excursion*
- d) *cruise* and *flight*
- e) *trip* and *tour*

3. Decide whether the following are right (R) or wrong (W) and explain your decision.

- a) We've booked an excursion to see the caves on the island.
- b) The school is planning a trip of all the major cities in Europe.
- c) They're not here today. They've gone on a journey to a museum.
- d) Air travel is really cheap these days.
- e) She hates the trip to work because there are too many traffic jams.
- f) If I won the lottery, I'd go on a cruise around the Caribbean.

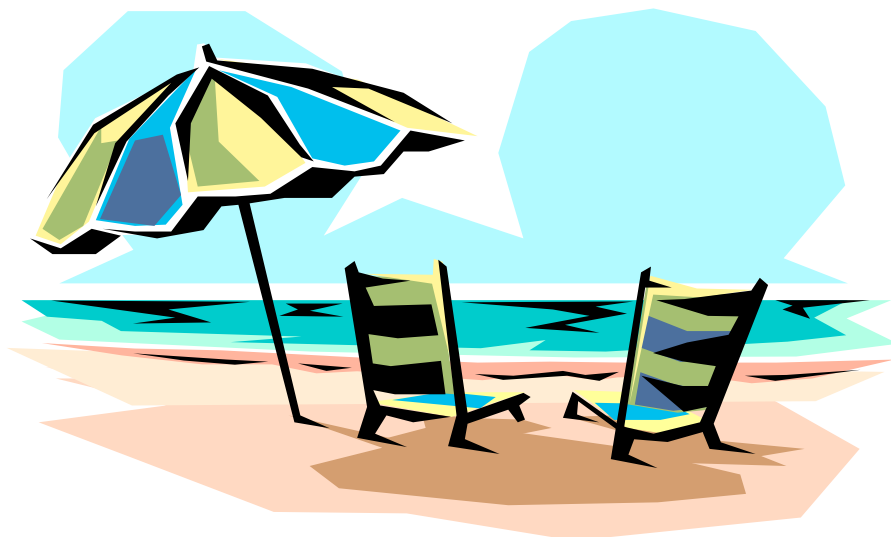
4. Complete the sentences with a suitable word.

- a) My parents went on a of the famous buildings in Barcelona.
- b) Lots of students by train or coach because it's cheaper.
- c) I have to go on a business to New York next month.
- d) Our was delayed because of a problem with airport security.
- e) We were staying in London but we went on an to Oxford.
- f) One day, I'd like to go on a around the Mediterranean on a luxury ship.

5. Complete the sentences with a preposition. Use each preposition once only.

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- a) I prefer to travel plane because it's faster.
- b) The company is planning a tour several American factories.
- c) I hated excursions museums when I was little because I got bored.
- d) Some students travel the world before they start work.
- e) If you don't like travelling by public transport you can go foot!



Teacher's notes and answer key

Level:	intermediate/upper-intermediate
Language:	travel and transport vocabulary
Aims:	to practise travel and transport vocabulary and clarify and practise confusing words e.g. travel/journey, tour/trip/excursion; to reinforce use of certain prepositions
Duration:	45 minutes

Warmer

Quickly brainstorm different ways to travel (by plane, by train, by bus, etc.) and ask students to make comparisons between them. This will probably highlight some of the vocabulary that is going to come up in exercise 1, but just generate ideas at this stage and don't correct heavily.

Exercise 1

You may need to explain other new words e.g. fasten your seatbelts, cancelled, seasick.

Answer key: 1e, 2a, 3b, 4d, 5h, 6g, 7f, 8c

Exercise 2

Check that students make notes on the differences!

Answer key:

1. *Travel* is usually used as a verb and means 'to move from place to another'. The gerund can also be used as the subject of the sentence e.g. *Travelling can be fun*. We can also use *travel* as an uncountable noun. We can't say *a travel*.
2. *Journey* is a noun and refers to the time spent getting from A to B.
3. *Trip* includes the purpose of the visit (for work, pleasure or school). *Journey* doesn't - it just refers to the time spent getting there or back.
4. A *tour* is a visit to several places; an *excursion* is usually a short visit for the day.
5. A *cruise* is a tour by ship or boat and a *flight* is a journey by plane.
6. A *trip* is a short visit, usually to one place, and a *tour* is a visit to several places.

Exercise 3

Answer key:

1. R - an organised event
2. W - as there are several cities it should be *tour*
3. W - a visit to somewhere would be a *trip* or an *excursion*
4. R - air travel is used as an uncountable noun
5. W - this is the activity of getting to a destination so it should be *journey*
6. R - a sea tour

Exercise 4

Answer key:

1. *tour*
2. *travel*
3. *trip*
4. *flight*
5. *excursion*
6. *cruise*

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Exercise 5

Prepositions are always difficult and it's good to finish with a few that have cropped up during the worksheet.

Answer key:

1. by
2. of
3. to
4. around
5. on

Follow-up

Ask students to write a short article about the last journey they made or a trip they've recently been on. Write the questions on the board if they need help to get them started.

Where did you go and why?

How did you travel there?

Who did you travel with?

What was the journey like? etc.