

15 Travel necessities

Information ?i 

Get ready!

1 Before you read the passage, talk about these questions.

- 1 What can a traveler do if he or she loses a passport?
- 2 What other things do you need to take with you on a business trip?

Currency Exchange

PASSPORT

passport

TRAVEL ESSENTIALS

You're going on a business trip abroad. You're about to leave your house when you think 'Did I forget anything?' Does this sound familiar? Use this checklist to ensure you don't forget anything important!

- Don't forget your **passport**! Keep it with you at all times, but be careful that it doesn't fall out of your bag or pocket or get stolen.
- Do you have the **paperwork** relating to your **journey**? You'll need your flight number when you **check in**.
- Have you got any **foreign currency**? You don't want to be stuck abroad with no money!
- Do you take **medication** regularly? If so, don't forget it! Also remember that in some countries, you will need **inoculations** before you travel.

Where will you go when you arrive? Take a **travel guide** or a **map** of your **destination**. It's also a good idea to have your hotel's **contact information** handy. You may need it when filling out forms.

map

currency

medication

Vocabulary

3 Write a word that is similar in meaning to the underlined part.

- 1 You need several injections that prevent the spread of disease.
_ n _ _ _ l _ _ _ o _ _
- 2 Be sure that you bring any drugs prescribed by a doctor.
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- 3 The airline recommends that passengers arrive early to register for their flight. _ _ e _ _ _ _ n
- 4 Visitors may not enter without a document that provides identification. _ _ s _ _ o _ _
- 5 Keep the hotel's phone number and address with you.
c _ _ t _ _ _ i _ _ _ _ m _ _ _ o _ _
- 6 Do you have a paper displaying streets and major attractions of the city? _ a _
- 7 The trip across the ocean is much faster than it used to be.
j _ _ r _ _ y
- 8 Read a book with information about an area before leaving.
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Reading

2 Listen and read the extract from a travel guide. Then, mark the following statements as true (T) or false (F). What should you have with you while on a business trip?

- 1 Important documents should be stored in baggage.
- 2 Travelers should change money before leaving.
- 3 Some countries require visitors to get shots when they arrive.

4 Read the sentence and choose the correct meaning of the underlined words.

- Traveling to another country involves a lot of paperwork.
A problems B documents C identification
- John finally reached his destination.
A the place where someone lives
B the place someone is traveling to
C a town which has an airport
- Tina needs some foreign currency.
A money from another country
B information about the area
C help from the airport staff

Listening

5 Listen to a conversation between a businessman and his personal assistant. Choose the correct answers.

- Where is the man's map?
A in his bag C in his travel guide
B in his jacket D in his pocket
- What is the man likely to do next?
A take a taxi to the airport C purchase a travel guide
B get foreign currency D check-in for his flight

6 Listen again and complete the conversation.

Businessman: Yes, they're 1 _____ somewhere.

Assistant: You should take them out. It will make your 2 _____ a lot faster.

Businessman: Good thinking. I'll keep them 3 _____.

Assistant: Also, I put the 4 _____ in your travel guide.

Businessman: Great, thanks.

Assistant: And did you ever grab any 5 _____?

Businessman: I don't need any. I have my credit card. I'll 6 _____ when I arrive.

Assistant: Are you sure about that? Don't you need to take a taxi from the airport?

Businessman: I was planning on it. Why do you ask?

Assistant: Well they only accept cash.

Speaking

7 With a partner, act out the roles below, based on the dialogue from Task 6. Then switch roles.

USE LANGUAGE SUCH AS:

Do you have everything you need?

You should take them out.

Don't you need to ...

Student A: Your boss is taking an international trip. Make sure Student B has:

- necessary paperwork
- information about destination
- currency

Student B: Talk to Student A about what items you have or need for the trip.

Writing

8 You are a personal assistant. Use the conversation from Task 7 and the travel guide to write a list of items your boss needs for a trip. Include:

- paperwork
- information about the destination
- money
- medicine

