



Live Lesson

Travel

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Warm Up

Fill in the gaps

1. I prefer to travel **by** _____
2. Last year I went on a _____ to Vietnam

Answers at end of PDF

IELTS Speaking Vocabulary: Travel

1. **To travel** (v.) = to go from point A to B.

I usually travel by bus when I go to work.

Word Family

👉 **Travel** (n. Uncountable) = The act of travelling

*I hate **air travel***

*Do you have any **travel plans** this summer?*

👉 **Travels** (n. Countable / Plural) = Journeys

*Tell me about your **travels** around Europe*

👉 **Travelling** (n. Uncountable)

***Travelling** is my biggest hobby*

Collocations

To travel abroad

domestic travel

To travel **on** holiday

To **travel** _____

- by bus
- by plane
- by boat
- by car / bike
- on foot

Common Mistake

I went on a travel ❌

I went on a **trip** ✅

I went on a **journey** ✅

2. A trip (n. Countable) = Going somewhere and coming back (usually a short time)

Similar words

- To go on a **trip** (*on holiday*)
- To go on a **tour** (*visit in and around a place, e.g. a city, a museum*)
- To go on a **journey** (*the travelling bit only, e.g. by train*)
- To go on an **outing** (*a very short trip, e.g. half a day - to a park, to a zoo - usually organised - by a school or parents*)

Part 3 Model Answers: Travel

Watch three candidates.

They will answer an IELTS part 3 question on the topic of travel.

Language Functions

1. Giving an opinion

Well, I'd say...

I reckon

The way I see it,

To my mind,

2. Clarifying

I mean...

What I mean is...

What I mean to say is..

3. Giving an example

For example,

For instance,



👉 Watch this model answer.

What are the benefits and drawbacks of travelling?

Which of the language functions above does he use?

What are the benefits and drawbacks of travelling?

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Transcript

Well, I'd say one of the benefits is
when you travel,
you can taste new food

I mean, you can discover
whole, new, local delicacies
ones that they may not find at home.

For example, when British people visit Spain
they often order a local dish called 'paella'
it always goes down well

Useful Language

A delicacy = a rare / expensive thing to eat

To go down well = received positively, something enjoyed.



2.

👉 Look at the second question below. Write your ideas in the chat.

Why do some people not like to travel?

Ideas:

- Too expensive
- Culture shock
- Prefer to stay at home and rest
- Health conditions
- Phobia (e.g. fear of flying)
- Don't like unfamiliar food

With this kind of question it is a good idea to choose a group of people to talk about. For example,

- Older / elderly people
- Women
- Children
- Unemployed people

We can use some of the functions below:

Language Functions

1. Identify someone

If we are talking about _____

If we take _____

When it comes to _____

2. Giving a reason

One reason is _____

One of the reasons is _____

It's mainly because of _____

👉 Watch the second model answer.

Why do some people not
like to travel?

Who does he talk about?
Why don't they like to travel?

Answers at end of PDF

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Transcript

It depends,
I think if we are talking about young people,
one of the reasons is the cost,
it can be quite expensive

Take plane tickets,
prices have **rocketed** in recent months.
Even the **no-frills** airlines have been impacted.
Short and long-haul flights
can cost an arm and a leg.
So this **puts** some people **off** travelling.

Useful Language

To rocket = to rise quickly (prices, fame...)

no-frills (adj.) = basic, no unnecessary things (product or service)

To put someone **off** = to discourage s.o. from doing something



3.

👉 **Watch a final model answer.**

**What are the impacts of
tourism on a local
economy?**

Which useful collocations does he use?

What are the impacts of tourism on a local economy?

Full Transcript on next page

Transcript

To my mind,
there is a **direct impact**
on hotels and restaurants
since these are very popular
with **holiday-makers**.

So to be more specific,
tourists will spend a lot of money **eating out**
and this will boost the **local economy**,

The challenge is that
the **hospitality sector**
tends to be cyclical
so they only get the benefit
for maybe 6 months a year.

Useful language

cyclical (adj.) = goes in cycles

Tourism in Spain is big in summer, but quiet in winter - it's cyclical

Language Functions

1. Giving an opinion

To my mind...

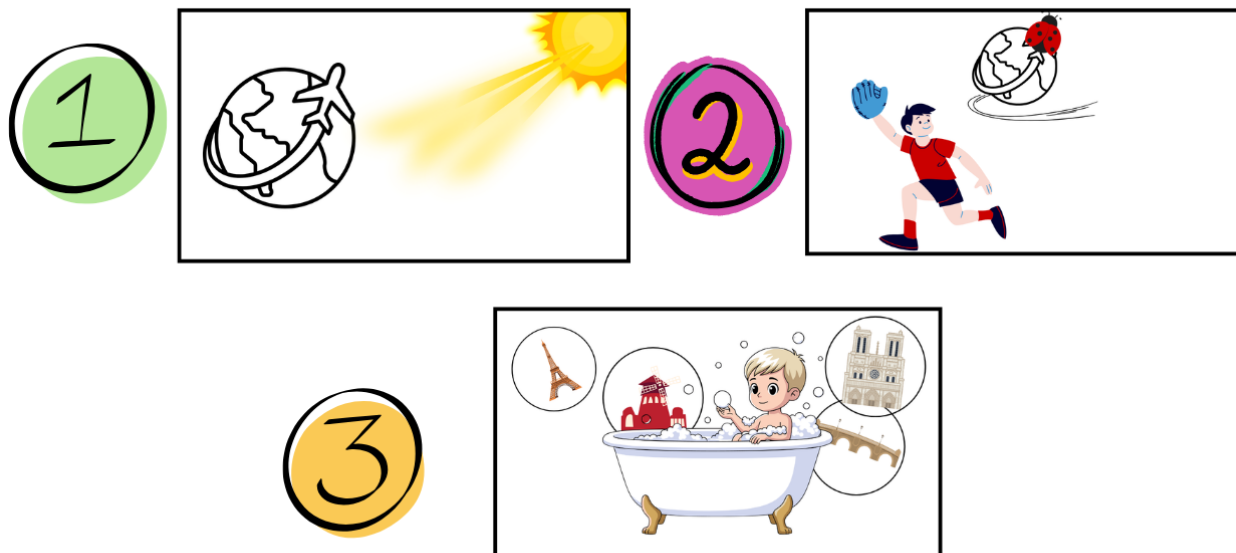
2. Giving more details

So to be more specific,
More concretely,

3. Countering

The challenge is...
On the other hand ,
That said,

Idioms to talk about TRAVEL



Guess the idioms!

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Answers at end of PDF

How To Improve Your Spoken English

"I understand 90% of your videos, but I still can't use all these new words!"

This is normal!

You cannot learn a new word and then start using it fluently *immediately*.

You have 2 kinds of vocabulary;

Passive (words you recognise **but can't** use)

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It takes days or weeks for words to go from '**passive**' to '**active**'.

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Song

 Bike Ride Blues

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Verse 1

I **travel by bike** every morning at eight,
Same old road, I'm never late,
I don't fly, no **air travel** for me,
Just two wheels rolling, slow and free.

I go to work, I come back home,
No big **journeys**, I stay alone.
It's just my life, it's plain and true,
Same o

ld sky, same old view.

Chorus

I wanna go on a **trip**, far away,
See the world, just for one day.
I wanna **travel abroad**, feel the sun,
But I know that dream just won't come.

I just ride my bike, do my part,
Got a simple life, got a hopeful heart.

Verse 2

I've got dreams inside,
I see planes up in the sky.
People flying so high,
I just watch them passing by.

I ain't got no money

to go where it's sunny
It costs **an arm and a leg**
That's what you said

Chorus

I wanna go on a **trip**, far away,
See the world, just for one day.
I wanna **travel abroad**, feel the sun,
But I know that dream won't come.

So I ride my bike, I do my part,
Got a simple life, got a hopeful heart.

Bridge

But I can **soak in the sights** on my street,
Hear the birds, feel the breeze, life's sweet.
I **travel light**, got nothing to lose,
No big plans, no heavy shoes.

Final Verse

Now I don't dream like I did before,
Found my peace, don't need much more.
This little world is where I stay,
And I'm okay at the end of the day.

Final Chorus

I don't need no trip far away,
Got my life right here today.
No big plans, no fancy view,
This small world... it'll do. 🎵

ANSWERS

Warm Up

1. I prefer to travel by **plane / train / bus / boat / motorbike / car / ship / public transport**
2. Last year I went on a **vacation / holiday / journey / trip / voyage / city break** to Vietnam

Part 3 Model Answers

👉 **2. Watch the second model answer.**

Who does he talk about?

Why don't they like to travel?

Answer:

Young people

Travelling is too expensive

Idioms to talk about TRAVEL

1. To travel light = to travel with few items

I only take a small rucksack when I go on holiday, I love to travel light.

2. To catch the travel bug = To develop a passionate desire to travel.

After travelling around Europe last year, she has now caught the travel bug.

3. To soak in the sights = to fully appreciate, enjoy, and absorb the beauty of a new place or a scenic view.

We went to the main square of the city and just soaked in the sights

Similar idioms

Soak in the view

Soak in the scenery

To take in the sights