

Solving travel problems (worksheet)

Warm up

Answer the questions:

1. How often do you travel?
2. What kind of transport do you use?
3. How often do you stay at the hotel?
4. Do usually all things go according to your plan?



Activity 1

What problems might you have if you...

1. travel by car
2. travel by plane
3. travel by train
4. problems in the city
5. hike
6. stay in a hotel



Useful phrases:

● <i>get a puncture</i>	● <i>miss the flight</i>	● <i>forget your passport</i>
● <i>get sunburnt</i>	● <i>bad service</i>	● <i>your wallet is stolen</i>
● <i>go to embassy</i>	● <i>be mugged</i>	● <i>get stuck in a traffic jam</i>
● <i>call an ambulance</i>	● <i>lose luggage</i>	● <i>lack of cleanliness</i>
● <i>tap is leaking</i>	● <i>cockroaches in the room</i>	● <i>feel motion sickness</i>

Activity 2

Discuss the questions:



1. What kind of problems did you have when you were travelling? Tell us more about the most serious problem.
2. How many times have you got lost while travelling? What happened? If you get lost do you usually try to find out where you are by yourself or do you ask for help?
3. Has anyone promised to pick you up at the airport or railway station but hasn't done that?
4. Have you ever sat next to a very unpleasant passenger? What did you do?
5. Have you ever been injured when you were travelling?
6. Have you ever made a complaint at the hotel? What about? Was the problem solved?
7. Have you ever been to a really disgusting hotel? Did you stay or leave?

Activity 3

Roleplay the dialogues:

Example:

Person 1: *My wallet is stolen. What should I do? / What advice can you give me if I don't want to have this problem in future?*

Person 2: *You should report to the local police.*

It's good idea to... You need to... If I were in your place, I'd... In my experience... Be sure to...

List of problems:

1. My passport is stolen.
2. I have motion sickness on the plane.
3. It's only the first day of my beach holiday, but I have sunburn and/ or

sunstroke.

4. I have been bitten or stung by a jellyfish, spider, scorpion or snake.
5. I missed the last train back to my hotel.
6. My car breaks down in the middle of the Outback in Australia.
7. I lost my boarding pass between the check in desk and passport control.
8. I can't sleep on the plane because my neighbour has a loud walkman and has the reading light on.
9. I spent all my money in the casino last night.
10. I left something behind and have to get the hotel to send it on to me.
11. I got lost in the city abroad.

