



On a Plane

Conversation > Intermediate 4



Exercise 1 – Vocabulary

luggage	The bags that a person brings when going traveling or on vacation.
[noun]	<i>Ex: This is all my luggage.</i>

domestic flight	A flight within a country.
[noun]	<i>Ex: Domestic flights are rarely delayed.</i>

international flight	A flight from one country to another.
[noun]	<i>Ex: International flights all leave from this terminal.</i>



economy class	The cheapest type of air or rail travel.
[noun]	<i>Ex: Many passengers prefer the economy class seats.</i>

carry-on bag	A bag that you can bring with you on a plane.
[noun]	<i>Ex: She put her tickets in her carry-on bag.</i>

airline	A company that provides regular flights for passengers.
[noun]	<i>Ex: Revenues for the airline industry are down this year.</i>



Exercise 2 – Dialogue

Choose one character and read the dialogue aloud with your tutor.

Matt: Do you know how much luggage I am allowed to bring?

Julie: I have no idea. You can check online.

Matt: I wonder what the general rules are.

Julie: When you take flights, you normally have to pay for excess luggage.

Matt: For example, how many pieces of luggage can you bring on domestic flights?

Julie: On domestic flights, only one piece of luggage is allowed if you choose economy class.



Matt: What about international flights?

Julie: On international flights, you can bring two pieces, but that depends on the airline company.

Matt: What about carry-on bags?

Julie: All airlines allow you to bring one carry-on bag. You can also bring a handbag with you.

Matt: Do you have any other luggage advice for me?

Julie: Keep it as light as possible. Don't forget to lock your luggage.



Exercise 3 – Fill in the Blanks

Choose the correct answers from the answer pool below and fill in the blanks.

Answer Pool

luggage
carry-on bag
domestic flight
economy class
international flight
airline

1. I always fly with this _____. They have the best planes.
2. You can bring the _____ with you on a plane.
3. She was on a _____ from New York to Chicago.
4. We bought our _____ tickets at a travel agency.
5. I was on an _____ from Russia to China.
6. I don't bring a lot of _____ when I travel.



Exercise 4 – Role Play

Take turns with your tutor and act out the scene described below.

Scene: You are making a call to the airline company, talk with the manager of the airline company and find out the general flight rules. The teacher can be the airline manager.



Exercise 5 – Discussion

Discuss the following questions with your tutor.

1. When you travel, do you carry a lot of luggage with you? Why?
2. What is the usual luggage limit for domestic flights in your country?
3. Who do you think brings more luggage, men or women? Why?
4. What do you usually bring with you when you travel?
5. Is traveling with less luggage more convenient for you? Why?