

At the airport

VOCABULARY

LEVEL
Intermediate

NUMBER
EN_BE_2611V

LANGUAGE
English





Goals

- Can correctly use simple vocabulary relating to going to the airport.
- Can structure short sentences with vocabulary and phrases used when checking in.







Preview and warm-up

In this lesson you will learn **new vocabulary** to talk about being at the **airport**.

DESTINATION	FLIGHT	GATE	REMARKS
BERLIN	LH543	09	: DELAYED
NEW YORK	AA978	28	: CANCELLED
TORONTO	AC902	11	: CANCELLED
MADRID	IB342	15	: CANCELLED
BEIJING	CX654	02	: CANCELLED
HOUSTON	AA384	08	: CANCELLED
PARIS			

The flight to Berlin is **delayed**!

terminal



Big airports usually have a few **terminals**.



New words

domestic

The **domestic** terminal has flights inside the country.



international

The **international** terminal has flights to other countries.



arrivals

departures

Arrivals is where a **flight lands** and **departures** is where a **flight leaves** from.



I am in **departures**.



New words

short-haul

Short-haul flights are flights which last less than about four hours.



long-haul

Long-haul flights are flights which last more than about four hours.





Fill in the gaps

Fill in the gaps with words from the previous pages.

1. A flight from London to Manchester is a _____ flight.
2. A _____ flight takes less than four hours.
3. A flight from London to Mumbai is an _____ flight.
4. If you are catching a plane, you should be in _____.
5. Large airports like Heathrow have several _____.





Speaking

Answer these questions with a partner.



1

Is there an airport in your city? How far is your nearest airport?

2

How often do you travel by plane? Do you ever travel by air for work?

3

Have you ever taken a domestic flight? What was the last international flight you took?



Writing

What advice can you give to someone who is flying long-haul? Make notes here and then compare your answers with your classmates.

Change your watch

Try to sleep



A blank sheet of lined paper with a spiral binding on the left side, intended for taking notes.

check-in desks

to check in



We **check in** at the **check-in desks**.

You need a **boarding pass** to get on the plane.



New words

hand luggage

Hand luggage is a bag you take onto the plane with you.



checked luggage

Checked luggage is a bag you put into the hold of the plane.





New words

Could I see your
passport please?

Are you checking any
luggage in?

Do you have any
prohibited items?

Could I see your
passport please?

Are you checking any
luggage in?

Do you have any
prohibited items?



to go through security

When we **go through security** people check our bags and scan our bodies.



Sometimes we get searched when we **go through security**.

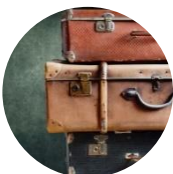


Dialogue

Fill in the gaps and then decide how you would respond to these requests.



Could I see your _____, please?



Are you checking any _____ in?



Do you have any _____ items?



Speaking

Do you usually check in at the airport or online?

Do you prefer a paper or a digital boarding pass?



Do you prefer travelling with hand luggage or checked luggage when travelling for work? Why?



Speaking

**What happens when you go through security? What do you have to do?
Describe the process to your partner.**



passport control



We have to show our passport at **passport control**.



New words

departure lounge

We wait for our flight to leave in the
departure lounge.



duty free

We can buy perfume and alcohol at
duty free.

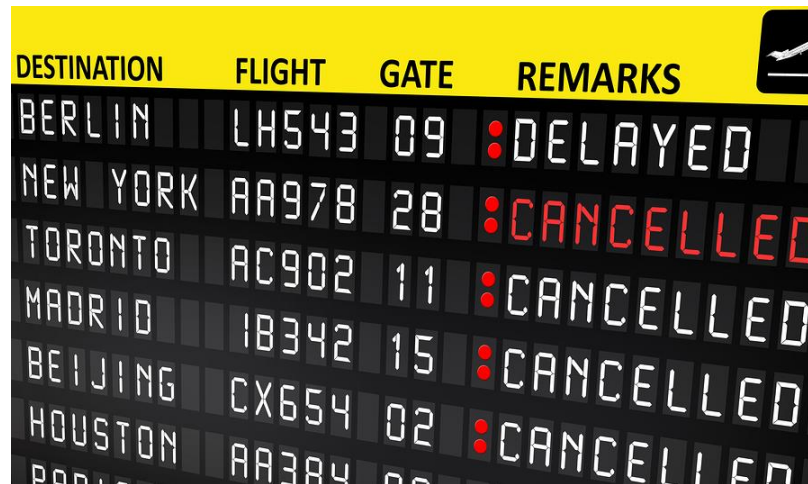


on time

delayed

If your plane leaves **on time**, it leaves at the time it should.

If your plane is **delayed**, it leaves late.



DESTINATION	FLIGHT	GATE	REMARKS
BERLIN	LH543	09	:DELANED
NEW YORK	AA978	28	:CANCELLED
TORONTO	AC902	11	:CANCELLED
MADRID	IB342	15	:CANCELLED
BEIJING	CX654	02	:CANCELLED
HOUSTON	AA384	02	:CANCELLED

Oh, no! My plane is **delayed**.

gate

The **gate** is where passengers get on the plane.



All passengers go to **gate** 12.

The Lufthansa flight to Tokyo is **boarding**.



New words

customs

Customs is where your bags are checked for illegal goods or goods you have to pay tax on.



baggage reclaim

Baggage reclaim is where you can get your checked luggage when you land.





At the airport

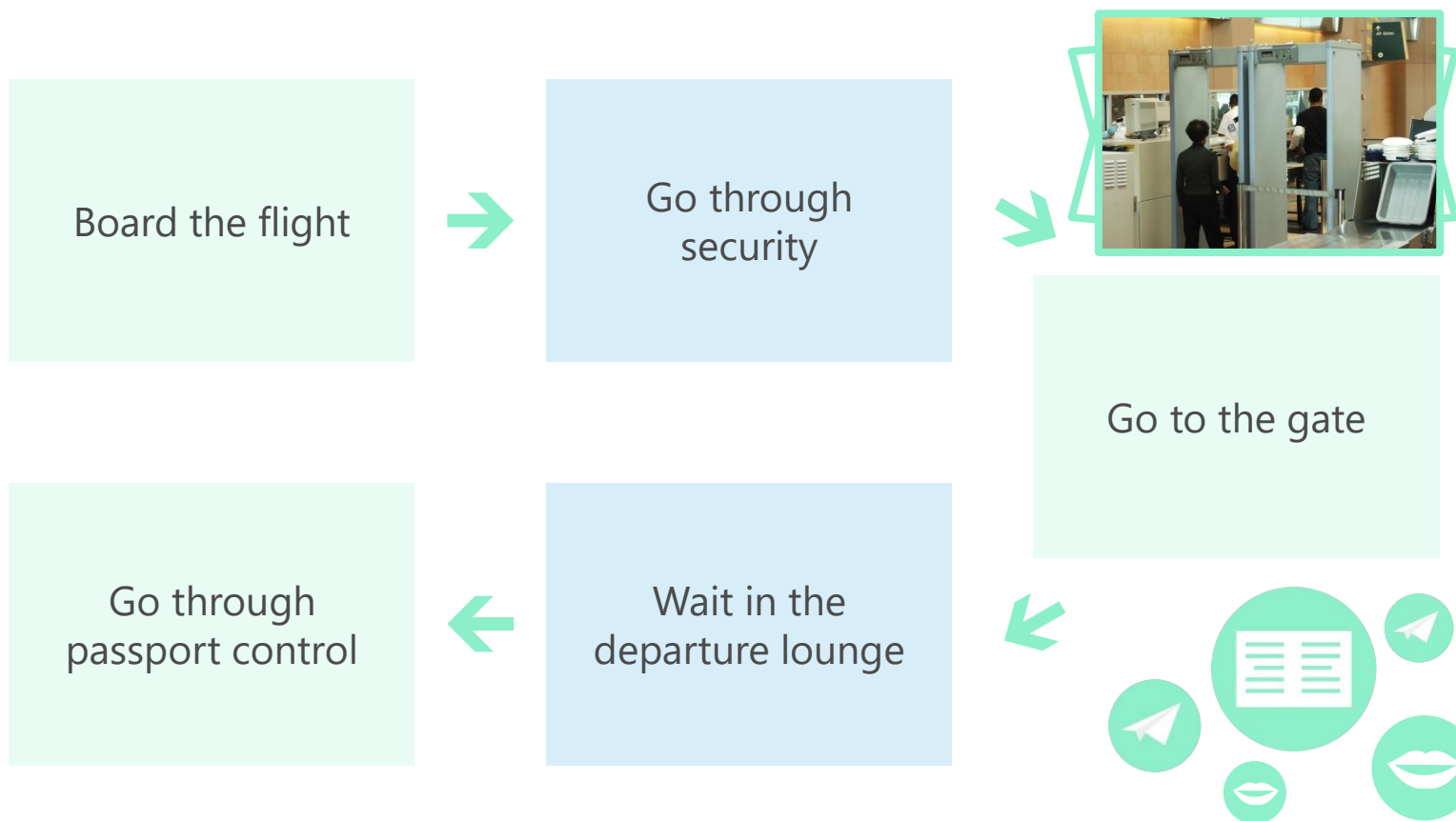
Helen really loves airports, which is good because she often flies to other countries for work. She is always in the international terminal and she often flies long-haul. She usually checks in online because she only takes hand luggage and she makes sure she doesn't have any prohibited items in her bag before she leaves home. She goes through security and passport control and into the departure lounge. She usually has a look at the duty free area and then sits and waits for her gate to be announced. The only thing she doesn't like is when her flight is delayed! When she lands, she doesn't have to go to baggage reclaim, she just goes through customs. It's really fast.





At the airport

These steps are in the wrong order. Put them into the correct order.





Which of these things do you like or dislike about being at the airport? Discuss with a partner

Going through security

Checking in

Waiting in departures

Going to baggage
reclaim



Game

- Choose one of the pictures and describe what is happening in it.
- Can your classmates guess which picture it is?





Reflect on the goals

Go back to the second slide of the lesson and check if you have achieved all the goals of the lesson.

yes

no





Reflect on this lesson

**Think about everything you have seen in this lesson.
What were the most difficult activities or words? The easiest?**



If you have time, go over
the most difficult slides again



Answer key

Exercise p. 27

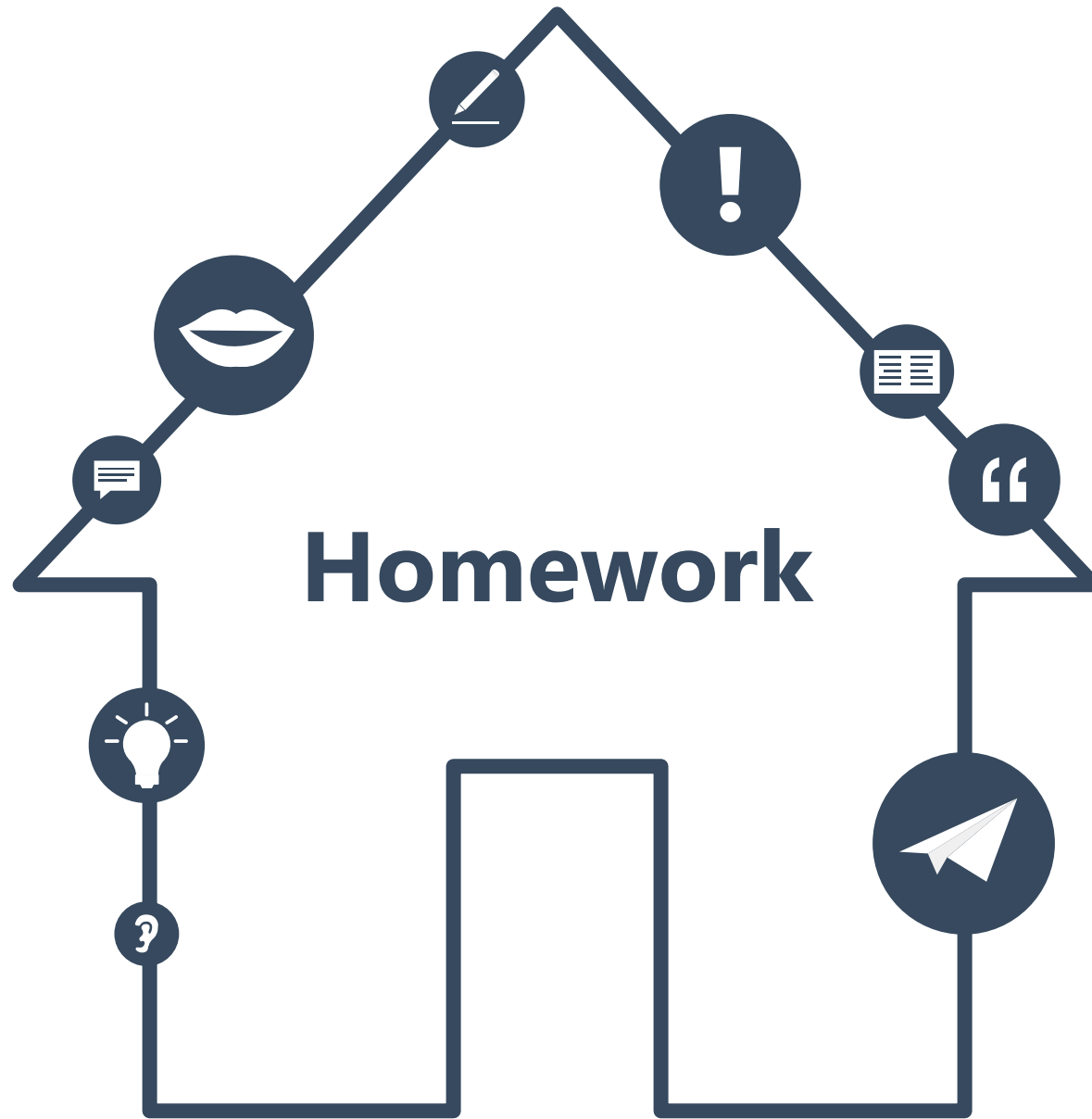
go through security, go through passport control, wait in the departure lounge, go to the gate, board the flight

Exercise p. 17

passport, luggage, prohibited

Exercise p. 9

1. domestic, 2. short-haul, 3. international, 4. departures, 5. terminals





Fill in the gaps

1. If we fly somewhere in the same country, we go to the _____ terminal.
2. If we fly somewhere outside our country, we go to the _____ terminal.
3. We need a _____ pass to get on the plane.
4. We have to go through _____ control if we are flying internationally.
5. During a _____ check, airport workers might look through our bags.
6. When our flight is boarding, we have to go to the _____.

passport

international

gate

domestic

boarding

security



Writing

Write about the steps you take when you go to the airport. Start with arriving at the terminal and end at baggage reclaim.

○	
○	
○	
○	
○	
○	
○	
○	
○	
○	
○	
○	
○	
○	
○	
○	



Homework answer key

Exercise p. 34

1. domestic, 2. international, 3. boarding, 4. passport, 5. security, 6. gate



About this material

Find out more at
www.lingoda.com

This material is provided by
lingoda



lingoda Who are we?



Why learn English online?



What kinds of English classes do we offer?



Who are our English teachers?



How do our English certificates work?



We also have a language blog!