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Topic: Cruise Ships

Question 1: Which cruise line is the best?

Answer: Virgin Voyages is the best cruise line because they only serve adults, and they offer restaurants with various themes or specialties, rather than one big buffet. Gratuities, internet access, soft drinks, and some exercises are included.

Sources:

<https://www.thetimes.com/travel/destinations/north-america-travel/us/best-cruises-usa-brnvlj69f>

(Keywords: “best cruise lines in US”)

<https://www.cruise.co.uk/bulletin/how-are-virgin-voyages-ships-different-to-other-cruise-lines/>

(Keywords: “what makes virgin voyages different”)

<https://www.cruisecritic.com/articles/best-cruises-for-kids-the-6-most-kid-friendly-cruise-lines-and-cruise-ships>

(Keywords: “best cruise line for kids”)

Differing Viewpoints: Some travelers do not like Virgin Voyages, since it does not allow children on board. Families with children often like Disney Cruise Line, Royal Caribbean International, or Princess Cruises because of the family focus, with water parks, ropes courses, and other kid-friendly activities.

Question 2: What is the best thing about going on a cruise?

Answer: The best thing about cruises is the overall value that you receive, including food, accommodations, entertainment, and transportation to various ports.

Sources:

<https://www.cruisecritic.com/articles/top-10-reasons-to-cruise>

(Keywords: “best thing about going on a cruise”)

Differing Viewpoints: Other people argue that the best thing about cruises is that trips are easy to plan, that you can easily get to many destinations, that there can be many activities for children, that cruises are romantic for couples, or that cruises are a wonderful way to meet new people.

Question 3: What is the most unexpected thing that one might find on a cruise ship?

Answer: There are a few Royal Caribbean ships that have a glass chamber that is 23 feet tall. In the chamber, you can feel like you’re skydiving, since it has a powerful wind that rushes upward at speeds exceeding 100 miles per hour, causing the person to be lifted off the ground.

Source:

<https://www.mentalfloss.com/article/65790/24-unexpected-things-youll-find-cruise-ships>

(Keywords: “strangest thing about cruise ships”)

Differing Viewpoints: Other strange things can be found on cruise ships. A few Norwegian cruises feature ice bars, which supply coats and gloves for up to 25 guests at a time. Inside, the temperature rarely exceeds 17 degrees Fahrenheit. Still other unusual things would include the fact that cruise ships have a morgue in case someone dies. Also, cruises have a jail cell, and most ships have a hospital or some type of medical center.

Question 4: What is the best type of room to get on a cruise ship?

Answer: The best type of room on a cruise ship has a balcony. It isn’t necessary to pay for an expensive suite, but a balcony gives cruisers some privacy and a place where they can enjoy a drink or even order room service. Balconies may also include a hammock.

Sources:

<https://www.afar.com/magazine/a-complete-guide-to-cruise-room-types>

(Keywords: “best type of room to get on a cruise ship”)

Differing Viewpoints: Other cruisers argue that a room with a balcony is not necessary, since most people do not spend a lot of time in their room. Also, there are plenty of places on the ship where one can soak up the sun and enjoy the breeze. They might argue that the additional expense of a balcony room could be used to pay for other amenities.

Question 5: What is the scariest thing about being on a cruise ship?

Answer: The scariest thing about a cruise ship is the possibility of it catching on fire. They have many methods in place to prevent fires, but when you have large kitchens, a fire or explosion is not an impossibility.

Sources:

<https://www.businessinsider.com/scary-cruise-ship-facts-2018-2#fires-and-explosions-can-and-have-happened-8>

(Keywords: “scariest thing about being on a cruise ship”)

Differing Viewpoints: Many people might say that cruise ships can be scary because they might sink or because a ship might malfunction and become stranded at sea.

Question 6: Is bigger better when it comes to cruise ships?

Answer: Large ships are best because they offer many more activities and entertainment possibilities; they also offer more dining options, as well.

Sources:

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/travel/cruises/2024/08/12/cruise-ships-big-small-seabourn-royal-caribbean/74702990007/>

(Keywords: “Is bigger better when it comes to cruise ships”

Differing Viewpoints: Some people prefer smaller ships because it is easier to find their way around the ship, and these ships might have a higher crew-to-passenger ratio.

Question 7: What is the best way to meet other passengers on a cruise ship?

Answer: A great way to meet other passengers is to ask for a large table at dinner and/or to see if communal seating is available at specialty restaurants. Dining together can be an excellent opportunity to converse about travel experiences or to talk about favorite foods.

Sources:

<https://www.royalcaribbeanblog.com/2022/02/17/how-meet-people-cruise-ship>

(Keywords: “best way to meet other passengers on a cruise ship”)

Differing Viewpoints: Other people might think that scavenger hunts (organized by the ship crew) can be a better way to interact with others and make new friends. Having a shared activity can create bonds between strangers.

Question 8: What is the best port for departing on a cruise ship?

Answer: The best and busiest port for departing in the United States is in Miami, Florida. Miami has the advantage that it is a great place to spend some additional vacation time when you return from your cruise.

Sources:

<https://www.bts.gov/content/top-15-cruise-ship-ports-port-departure>

(Keywords: “best port for departing on a cruise ship”)

Differing Viewpoints: Other travelers might prefer to depart from New York City, which also offers an overwhelming number of activities for people to enjoy before or after their cruise.

Question 9: What is the best destination when traveling on a cruise ship?

Answer: Cost might be the biggest determining factor here, but I would argue that European River Cruises would offer a huge variety of scenic destinations, as well as food and wine possibilities.

Sources:

<https://www.cruisecritic.com/articles/the-best-cruise-destinations-for-every-traveler>

(Keywords: “best destination when traveling on a cruise ship”)

Differing Viewpoints: Other people argue that a cruise to Asia would offer a chance to see older civilizations. There would also be beautiful gardens, national parks, and bustling markets.

Question 10: What is the best thing about getting married on a cruise ship?

Answer: The best reason to get married on a cruise ship is that it can save a lot of money, especially when one considers that traditional weddings on land involve paying for a venue, the catering, and perhaps entertainment. Cruise weddings can be much less expensive.

Sources:

<https://www.carnival.com/awaywego/cruising-fun/what-to-expect/10-reasons-why-you-should-get-married-on-a-cruise>

(Keywords: “best thing about getting married on a cruise ship”)

Differing Viewpoints: Others might argue that the best thing about a cruise ship wedding is that an island destination wedding is a possibility. Many cruise lines are willing to arrange a ceremony on a beach, for example, at one of the stops at an island.