

Using the dictionary

A tour of the dictionary

- 1 Let's go on a **whistle-stop** tour! What does **whistle-stop** mean?
 - a *very noisy and tiring*
 - b *visiting a lot of different places in a very short time*
 - c *long and slow*

- 2 What does 'leg' mean in this sentence? *Keep this ticket for the next **leg** of your journey.*
 - a *the section where you walk*
 - b *a day*
 - c *a part of the journey*

- 3 What does the word **conveyance** in 'Conditions of Conveyance' mean? Is it:
 - a *a process*
 - b *a quality*
 - c *a substance*

- 4 What is the word for 'to start to go faster', especially when you are driving a car?
 - a *accelerate*
 - b *brake*
 - c *commute*

- 5 *People today travel much more than in the past. Even a hundred years ago, no one could have the huge expansion in travel that happened in the 20th century.* What is the correct form to fill the gap?
 - a *foresaw*
 - b *foresawn*
 - c *foreseen*

- 6 i) What is another word for **foresee**?
 - a *predict*
 - b *forestall*
 - c *foreshadow*
ii) What adjective related to **foresee** can describe something that you did not expect to happen?
 - a *non-foreseen*
 - b *unforeseen*
 - c *inforeseen*

- 7 Which part of the eye is the **iris**?
 - a *the coloured part of the eye*
 - b *the small round black area in the centre?*
 - c *the white part*

- 8 How would you describe a flight when there was a lot of turbulence?
 - a *lumpy*
 - b *humpy*
 - c *bumpy*

- 9 When you go to the conference, it will be for work. What is the correct way to talk about this?
 - a *a business trip*
 - b *a business tour*
 - c *a business excursion*

- 10 Which of these words has the same sound as the middle 'a' in 'Bahamian'?
- a *cat*
 - b *say*
 - c *father*
- 11 You need to make a call to the organizers of a conference in the Bahamas. It is suggested that you ring at 10.15 EDT. What does this mean?
- a *around a quarter past ten*
 - b *at 10.15 in the morning*
 - c *at 10.15 Eastern Daylight Time*
- 12 If you are told 'You're only allowed one carry-on on the plane', does it mean:
- a *you can take a child in a cot*
 - b *you can only take one bag or small case*
 - c *you must keep calm*
- 13 When you take very little luggage with you on a journey, do you:
- a *travel easy*
 - b *travel light*
 - c *travel lightly*
- 14 Which of these sentences are correct?
- a *How many baggages can I take?*
 - b *How many pieces of baggage can I take?*
 - c *How much baggage can I take?*
- 15 Which of these sentences are correct?
- a *When are you leaving?*
 - b *We leave for Thailand tomorrow.*
 - c *We leave Sydney at 11 o'clock.*
- 16 What is another way of saying 'leave' or 'depart'?
- a *leave off*
 - b *set off*
 - c *break off*
- 17 You're lost. Which of these would be a polite way to ask someone the way?
- a *Where's the station?*
 - b *Could you tell me the best way to get to the station, please?*
 - c *I wonder whether you can help me. I'm looking for the station.*
- 18 Which of these descriptions would make you NOT want to stay in the place being described?
- a *'The hotel is in an unspoiled village and serves unpretentious, honest-to-goodness food.'*
 - b *'The décor in the hotel is gaudy and brash, and the resort touristy in the extreme.'*
 - c *'A swanky, stylish hotel in a leafy part of this cosmopolitan city.'*