The Flight

"Captain Smith and his crew wish you welcome aboard this LogIn Air flight number 1007 to Los Angeles. Our estimated flying time today is 7 hrs and 35 min. Please, place your hand baggage either under the seat in front of you or in the overhead compartments. Fasten your seat belt and make sure that your seat is in the upright position. The use of mobile phones is prohibited throughout the flight and any electronic gadgets must be switched off whenever the "fasten seatbelt" sign is on. We will shortly be showing a safety demonstration video. We ask you to listen to it carefully even if you might have heard it before. The same information is available on a safety card located in the seat pocket in front of you. This is a non-smoking flight. During the flight we will serve you a warm meal and refreshments. We wish you a pleasant flight."

After the plane has taken off there is nothing much to do but make yourself comfortable. Once the plane has stopped ascending, you are allowed to unfasten your seat belt and even walk on the aisles if you wish. It is, however, recommended that you mainly keep seated with your seat belt fastened during the flight. If you need to visit the lavatories, there is a sign showing "vacant" when they are not occupied.

After the plane has landed you will hear another announcement: "We have now landed in <u>Los Angeles</u>. The local time is 6.55 am and the temperature 92 degrees Fahrenheit, which is 33 degrees Celsius. Please, remain seated until the plane has come to a complete stop and the "fasten seat belt" -sign has been switched off. I'd like to remind you that all mobile phones need to remain switched off until the plane has come to a complete stop. Please, be careful when opening the overhead compartments as some items may fall off. Captain <u>Smith</u> and his crew hope that you have had a pleasant flight with us and wish you welcome onboard <u>LogIn Air</u> again. Have a nice stay in <u>California</u>."



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Arrival

After landing you first have to proceed to immigration. There are usually different lines to choose depending on your nationality. An official normally checks your passport, if there are no special agreements. Here you also have to hand in the immigration card if it is required. The official may also ask you some questions about your stay, for example the reason for your visit, how long you are planning to stay, with whom, where and so on. After this you collect your luggage at the baggage claim area. There are also trolleys available to put your suitcases on, so that you skip carrying or dragging them through the airport.

If you have goods to declare at the customs, you have to choose the red line; otherwise choose the green one. Within the European Union, there is also a blue line for the EU citizens who have nothing to declare. After customs you can go to a tourist information office, where you can reserve a hotel room for yourself and get a map of the city you are staying in. At most airports there is a direct bus or train service to the city center. There are also cabs available.



The Flight — Activities

1 Fill in the underlined words in the text with your own preferences and read it to a friend:

Destination Flying time Name of the Airline

2 Find the opposites for the following words.

exact behind prohibited unpleasant descend switch on fasten occupied land incomplete.

3 Make sentences usin the following words.

E.g. I have to use **a trolley**, because my luggage is heavy.

Check hand in reason collect trolley question stay heavy

4 Before landing to some countries, e.g. the USA, you are asked to fill out an immigration card. Fill out the card below. Use your personal information.

Immigration card

1. Family name:

Forenames:

Sex (M/F):

2. Date of birth: (D/M/Y)

Place of birth:

- 3. Nationality:
- 4. Occupation:
- 5. Passport no:

Place of Issue (D/M/Y): Date of Expiry (D/M/Y):

- 6. Purpose of visit:
- a) business
- b) study
- c) tourism
- d) visiting relatives and friends
- e) other, please specify
- 7. Port of Disembarkation

Flight no Date

Signature

Immigration stamp

5 Unscramble the words to find words from the chapter. The descriptions are there to help you.

nogrimatimi arriving into a foreign country from

abroad

decopre to go ahead

rosptasp an identification document

facolifi a person working for example in immi-

gration

tesucias where you carry your things

cealerd what you do at the customs if you

bring for example too much alcohol

with you

tocsmus the part of an airport where your bag-

gage may be examined

servere to make a booking

rapirto the place where planes land and take-

off

lilbeaava at hand, there for you to use