

Why Do People Travel?



Can you imagine what is life without traveling? Is it possible? Whatever your reason is, traveling is a part of people's life. We all travel. The reason behind that is up to you.

There are different reasons why people travel:

1.) Most People Travel because they want to see their families and friends who live far away. Invitations from families and friends are seldom so you will decide to travel just to see them.

2.) People Travel because they want to see their soul mates. Some people believe that there is only one person for them and if they haven't had much luck searching in their area, they figured it out that even though there are millions of people around the world, they can still find it in other place.

3.) People travel to seek for work because they want to experience how to work from another place. We must admit that earning money is hard and some people decide to work abroad because they are looking for greener pasture. Other place pays bigger rates than their own place. We may also say that their expertise is not favorable in their own place. Unfortunately, they have to leave their families for awhile for a job opportunities abroad.

4.) People travel because they want to learn others cultures. They want to see the difference between their culture and other cultures. They want to learn others culture because for them traveling is fun while learning. One particular thing about the culture is the food.

They want to know how food is prepared and how it is done. Obviously, we all love to eat.

5.) People travel because they are writers. They want to give the readers relevant article to their readers especially when they are making story in that particular place

6.) People travel because they want to see all beautiful scenery of different countries. Others would want to take pictures because it serves as souvenirs.

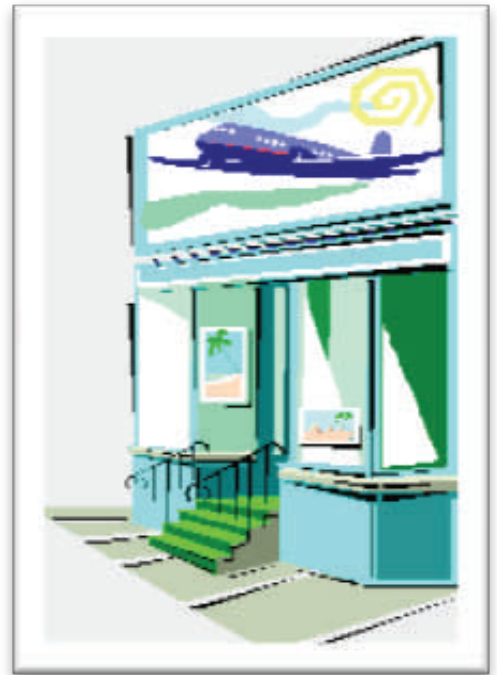
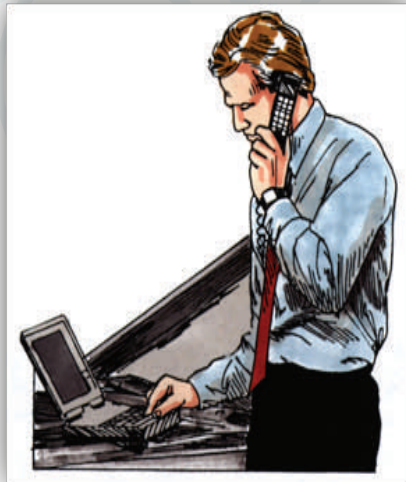
7.) When opportunity arise, it is hard to decide whether to leave your family and open a business far away your place. Some businessmen would rather put up business in other place because they want gain and it is more profitable than staying in their place. Business is nothing without profit.

Traveling is not only for rich people. Whether you are poor or in the middle class, you can travel as long as it fits your budget. Some travel for their goals, some travel for fun and relaxation and some travel for experience.

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PRE-ARRANGED TOUR

Talking to a Travel Agent Through Phone



Travel Agent : Hello! Good morning! This is Lady of Star Travel Agency.
How may I help you?

Client: Good morning! This is Josh. I would like to ask about the tour packages that I saw in your website. I want to know if they are still available.

Travel Agent: All the tour packages offered in our site are still available.
May I know what package in particular you want to inquire about?

Client: The Hong Kong + Disneyland pass package. I have a request to ask.
Can you possibly include the Ocean Park pass for the package? I want to visit both but they're of different packages.

Travel Agent: Absolutely! But this will also cost you an extra amount of money.

Client: Okay. Can you give me the exact amount?

Travel Agent: Yes, but before that, do you have a travel date in mind?

Client: Actually, I already bought plane tickets.

Travel Agent : *Okay, that's great! May I ask for the flight schedule and people who'll be with you if there are any?*

Client: Yes. It will be on December 5 to 8 this year. I'll be with my sister her name is Mariel.

Travel Agent : *Thank you for that. May I know how old is Mariel?*

Client: Yes, she's 23.

Travel Agent : *I would also like to know your preferred hotel accommodation? We actually offer hotels of 3 to 5 stars.*

Client: Please choose the cheapest accommodation if possible.

Travel Agent : *Alright. So, you'll be staying in Hong Kong for 4 days and 3 nights, in a 3-star hotel, with Hong Kong + Disneyland pass package with additional Ocean Park pass. That would be \$490. Is that fine with you?*

Client: I guess that's fine. Can you give the itinerary for the tour before. I make a reservation with you?

Travel Agent : *Of course. Please give me your e-mail address so I can give you all the information needed.*

Client: Yes. It's josh@gmail.com. All in small letters j-o-s-h.

Travel Agent : *Thank you very much. I'll send you an e-mail in a short while. Everything's there. If you still have any questions or clarifications, feel free to give us a call or send us a message.*

Client: I will.

Travel Agent : *Is there anything else that I can do for you Mr. Josh?*

Client: That would be all. Thank you!

Travel Agent : *Thank you for calling. Have a wonderful day! Goodbye!*

Client: Goodbye.



TALKING TO TRAVEL AGENT

Comprehension Check



What should be the proper way of inquiry:
"How may I help you?"
or "How can I help you?"
Explain.



Words to Ponder:

1. **accommodation** - anything that supplies a need, want or favor.
2. **three stars hotel** - quality, style, comfort and personalized service the hotel offers
3. **five stars hotel** - finest hotels, luxury, superlative service, highest comfort standards\
4. **itinerary** - a detailed plan for a journey, especially a list of places to visit

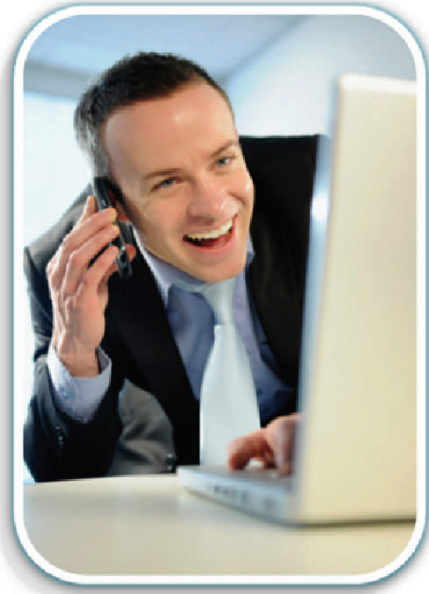
What do you think?



What will you do with your tour package if the flight schedule is postponed?

TRAVELING INDEPENDENTLY

Making a Hotel Reservation



Client: I would like to make a hotel reservation.

Travel Agent: *What day will you be arriving?*

Client: I will be arriving on May 14th.

Travel Agent: *How long will you be staying?*

Client: I need the room for 3 nights.

Travel Agent: *How many people will be staying in the room?*

Client: I will be staying in the room alone.

Travel Agent: *Would you like a smoking or non-smoking room?*

Client: We need a non-smoking room.

Travel Agent: *We have booked a room for you. Please be sure to arrive before 4:00 o'clock on your check-in date.*

Client: Great. Thank you so much!

Travel Agent: *You're welcome.*

What Do You Think?

1. Have you ever experienced making a hotel reservation? Tell us about it.
2. What do you think are the most common accommodations you can get in a hotel?

MAKING A HOTEL RESERVATION



Words to Ponder

1. smoking
2. non-smoking
3. check-in

Comprehension Check:

Assume that you are going to travel to a different city. You are going to make a hotel reservation by phone. Before you make a call, list out all the things you need to ask the travel agent.

Rent-A-Car

Rent-a-car Clerk : *Good morning.*

How may I help you?

Client: Good morning. I'd like to rent a car.

Rent-a-car Clerk: *Yes, certainly, Sir. When would you like the car?*

Client: For three days, starting tomorrow morning.

Rent-a-car Clerk: *All right. And what kind of car would you like?*

Client: I don't really mind, but I only need a small one.

Rent-a-car Clerk: *I have a Group B car, a Ford Fiesta, available. Would that be all right?*

Client: That sounds fine. How much will it cost?

Rent-a-car Clerk: *The cost per day is US\$150 dollars, Sir.*

Client: Does that include all the extras?

Rent-a-car Clerk: *Yes, that's with unlimited mileage and full insurance.*

Client: Excellent! Well, can I do the paperwork now to save time tomorrow?

Rent-a-car Clerk: *Certainly. I just need you to fill out this form with your details.*

Client: Good. Here is my driver's license and my passport.

Rent-a-car Clerk: *And how will you be paying for the car Sir?*

Client: By visa -- here's my card .



RENT-A-CAR

What Do You Think

Is renting a car safe and convenient when we travel to other places?



Words to Ponder

1. **rent-a-car**— a rented car
2. **schedule**—timetable; a written or printed list
3. **vehicle**— a means of carrying or transporting something: such as planes, trains, cars and other vehicles.

Comprehension Check:

What are the important things we need to consider in renting a car?

List as many as you can think possible.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

BUYING A PLANE TICKET



Ticket Clerk: Hi! Is there anything I can do for you?

Costumer: Hi! I'd like to buy a ticket going to France.

Ticket Clerk: Would you like one way or round trip?

Costumer: A round trip ticket please.

Ticket Clerk: When do you want to leave?

Costumer: This 28th of October.

Ticket Clerk: And when will you be coming back?

Costumer: On November 4th.

Ticket Clerk: First class or coach?

Costumer: Coach.

Ticket Clerk: Do you have a preferred time of flight?

Costumer: I would like to fly in the morning for October 28th. And for November 4th, anytime will do.

Ticket Clerk: Please wait for a moment. I'll check the availability. I'm sorry ma'am but the tickets for the flight this 4th of November are already sold out.

Costumer: I see. Can you please check the available date closest to that?

Ticket Clerk: Yes ma'am. (The ticket clerk's checking the available schedules). We still have available seats on November 6th. The flight's at 7:15pm. Would you like me to reserve one for you?

Costumer: Yes, please.

Ticket Clerk: All in all it'll be \$170.

Costumer: Okay.

Ticket Clerk: May I see your identification card?

Costumer: Here it is. (The ticket clerk's typing Ms. George's identity on the computer.)

Ticket Clerk: Okay Ms. George. Here's your plane ticket and your change.

Costumer: Thank you.

Ticket Clerk: You're welcome. Have a nice trip ma'am.



BUYING A PLANE TICKET



Comprehension Check

1. What are the ways when one can buy a plane ticket? Enumerate.
2. Is it cheaper to book ahead of time? Why?
3. What do you mean by the term "first class"?
4. What is the difference between a "first class" and "coach"?

WORDS TO PONDER

1. **ID-** identification card
2. **visa-** an endorsement made on a passport by the proper authorities denoting that it has been examined and that the bearer may proceed
3. **ticket-** a slip of paper or cardboard, serving as evidence that the holder has paid a fare or admission to an event
4. **first class-** the most expensive and most luxurious class of accommodation on trains, ships, and airplanes.
5. **coach-** a class of airline travel providing less luxurious accommodations than first class at a lower fare.

When is the best time to buy a ticket in order to have your preferred time of departure and arrival?

