Travel and holidays ESL lesson plan (A2)

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Stage	Time
Warm-up	5–10 min
Vocabulary	15 min
Controlled practice	10 min
Speaking	15 min
Wrap-up and homework	5 min

1. Warm-up (5–10 min)

- Where did you go on your last trip?
- Do you prefer the beach, the mountains or the city?
- Who do you usually travel with?

2. Vocabulary (15 min)

Elicit each word before you give it, model the pronunciation, then check meaning with a quick question.

Word	Meaning	Example
book	to reserve a room, a seat or a ticket	We booked the hotel online.
luggage	the bags and suitcases you take on a trip	How much luggage do you have?
flight	a journey by plane	Our flight was delayed by two hours.
departure	the act of leaving, especially a plane or train	Check the departure time on the screen.
arrival	the act of reaching a place	The arrival hall is on the ground floor.
delay	a time when something is later than planned	Sorry for the delay.
guidebook	a book with information for tourists about a place	The guidebook says the museum is free on Sundays.
sightseeing	visiting famous places as a tourist	We spent the day sightseeing.
tourist	a person who visits a place on holiday	The town is full of tourists in summer.
souvenir	something you buy to remember a place	I bought a souvenir for my mom.

Speaking (15 min): Plan a weekend for a visitor

The learner has a friend arriving on Friday night with a small budget. In five minutes they plan Saturday and Sunday in their own city, then present the plan and defend each choice while you play the difficult guest (I don't like museums. Is it far?).

Useful language

- I've been to… / I've never been to…
- The best part was…
- It was worth it. / It wasn't worth the money.
- We stayed in… for a week.
- I'd love to go to… because…
- to book a flight · to check in · a delay · a layover

Wrap-up and homework (5 min)

- Each learner says the three new words they will remember, and one sentence with each.
- Homework: write 80–120 words about travel and holidays using at least six words from the lesson.
- Self-study: the A2 travel and holidays vocabulary page on englishcue.app has a self-correcting quiz with all 22 words.

Travel and holidays (A2)

Student handout · Name: _____ · Date: _____

A. Word bank

check out · pack · got lost · unpacked · guest house · abroad · reception · checked in

B. Complete the sentences

Use a word from the word bank. Then compare with a partner.

1. I always _____ the night before.
2. You must _____ by 11.
3. Have you ever lived _____?
4. We _____ in the old town.
5. We _____ at 3 pm.
6. We stayed in a lovely _____.
7. Leave your key at _____.
8. Have you _____ yet?

C. Talk with a partner

Ask and answer. Make notes of one interesting answer to report to the class.

1. How do you get to work or school: by car, bus, train or on foot?
2. What do you always put in your suitcase?
3. Which countries have you visited?
4. What is a good place to visit in your country?
5. Do you like flying? Why or why not?

Write

Write 80–120 words about travel and holidays. Use six words from the lesson.

Answer key

B. Complete the sentences: 1 pack · 2 check out · 3 abroad · 4 got lost · 5 checked in · 6 guest house · 7 reception · 8 unpacked