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## Introduction

The words in **bold** are useful travel phrases.

You might hear these phrases, and you can use some of these phrases when you travel.

David Wang is a university student from Shanghai. He is twenty years old. He studies English at university.

It is August. He is travelling to the UK. He wants to visit many places and he wants to practice his English. He also wants to make many new friends. He is very excited. It is his first time to leave China and go to another country.

### 1. On the aeroplane

Now, David is on the aeroplane. He is sitting next to the window. He is looking out of the window. The sky is blue and the clouds below look soft and white. It is beautiful. He takes his camera out of his bag and takes a photograph.

**"Excuse me sir, would you like something to drink?"**

He turns around. The flight attendant is looking at him.

**"Yes please,"** he says.

**"What would you like?"**

**"Can I have an orange juice please?"** he asks.

**"Here you are,"** says the flight attendant.

**"Thank you,"** says David. He drinks the orange juice. It is very sweet. He looks at his watch. He will arrive in the UK in eight hours. He closes his eyes and goes to sleep.

He wakes up. He can smell food. He looks around. No one is eating. He feels hungry.

He looks at the man next to him. The man is reading a book.

**"Excuse me,"** says David.

The man looks at him and smiles.

"Yes?"

**"When is dinner served?"**

"Dinner? We just finished dinner. You were asleep," says the man.

"Oh, I see. I'm very hungry," says David. He is worried. Maybe he can't have dinner!

The man points to a button on David's seat. "You can call the flight attendant. She will bring your dinner," he says.

"Oh, thank you," says David.

David presses the button. A flight attendant comes. She smiles.

**"Yes, sir, how can I help you?"**

**"I'd like some dinner, please,"** says David. "I was asleep."

**"Yes, of course. Would you like chicken or fish?"**

**"Chicken please,"** says David.

Please wait a moment," says the flight attendant. She brings a tray.

**"Here you are sir,"** she says.

**"Thank you,"** says David.

He looks at the tray. There is some water, a small salad, a small chocolate cake, some cheese and crackers, and a hot dish. He opens the hot dish. There is some chicken and many potatoes and carrots. He eats his dinner. It is not so delicious, but he is hungry, so he eats everything.

**"Would you like tea or coffee sir?"** asks the flight attendant.

**"Coffee, please,"** he says.

**"Milk and sugar?"** asks the flight attendant.

**"Just sugar, please,"** he says. He drinks the coffee. It is strong and bitter.

He looks around the plane. Some people are sleeping. Other people are reading books, or watching movies. He puts his earphones on and listens to music. After an hour, he falls asleep again.

## 2. At Immigration

David gets off the plane and walks into Heathrow Airport. He goes to immigration. He has to fill in a landing card. He writes his name, address, date of birth, passport number, and nationality. Then, he has trouble. There is a word - *occupation*. He doesn't understand. *What is occupation?*

He looks around. There is a woman standing next to him.

"Excuse me," he says.

"Yes?" says the woman.

**"Could you help me, please? I don't understand occupation,"** says David.

"Occupation means *job*," says the woman.

"Oh, I see. Thank you," says David.

He writes 'student'. Then, he stands in line and waits.

**"Next!"**

He goes to the immigration counter.

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