

The Road Less Travelled

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Episode 5: At the Airport

Worksheet

The story so far

After losing her job in the call centre and having an argument with her boyfriend Mark, Katie has made the decision to go to LA to visit her cousin Sal. In this episode she arrives at the airport to check in for her flight.



Listening

- Listen to the episode once and answer these questions.
 - How many questions does the lady at the check-in ask Katie?
 - What does Mark ask Katie to do?
- Now listen again and complete the missing information on Katie's boarding pass.

Passenger: Katie Jane Little	Destination: Los Angeles	Flight number:	Boarding time:	Gate number:
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Language: Checking in at the airport

- Here are some common questions you may be asked when you check in at an airport. Put the words in order.
 - are / you / to / where / travelling ?
 - passport / see / can / your / please / I ?
 - in / are / many / you / how / bags / checking ?
 - you / the / bags / did / yourself / pack ?
 - for / has / given / anything / anyone / carry / them / to / you?
 - sharp / have / got / in / you / your / hand / anything / luggage?
 - luggage / your / have / got / liquids / any / in / hand / you?
 - prefer / you / a / an / would / window / aisle / seat / or ?

- Now think of appropriate answers to all the questions.

Discussion

Answer the questions.

- How do you think Katie feels as she goes to the gate to board the flight?
- Do you think Mark was right to go to the airport? Why / why not?
- Do you think Katie is going to enjoy her trip to LA? How do you think her life is going to change?

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Transcript

(CHECK-IN ATTENDANT, hereafter CHECK-IN ATT.)

CHECK-IN ATT.: Hello, where are you travelling to?

KATIE: Los Angeles.

CHECK-IN ATT.: Can I see your passport please? Ok that's fine. How many bags are you checking in?

KATIE: Just these two.

CHECK-IN ATT.: Did you pack the bags yourself?

KATIE: Yes. Yes, I did.

CHECK-IN ATT.: Have you got anything sharp in your hand luggage? Scissors? A knife?

KATIE: No, no, I haven't.

CHECK-IN ATT.: Would you prefer a window or an aisle seat?

KATIE: Window please.

MARK: Katie! Katie! There you are! Phew!

KATIE: Oh! What are you doing here Mark?

MARK: Katie. You're still here. Good.

CHECK-IN ATT.: Excuse me, sorry to interrupt. Here's your boarding pass. Your flight boards at 8.20 from gate number 37. Have a nice flight!

KATIE: Thanks.

KATIE: Mark, please...

MARK: I've just come... to say sorry...

KATIE: Mark...

MARK: ... for shouting at you before.

KATIE: That's okay.

MARK: Will you call me from California?

KATIE: Of course I will.

ANNOUNCER: Will all passengers on flight BA432 to Los Angeles please go to gate 37 where your plane is ready for boarding.

KATIE: That's my plane. I have to go.

MARK: OK. Bye.

KATIE: Bye.

MARK: No, wait. Katie!

KATIE: Yes?

MARK: I've acted like an idiot. I love you.

KATIE: Oh... Mark. Don't...

MARK: Just, just don't... don't forget me. Don't be late for your plane. Call me from California.

KATIE: Thanks Mark. I will. Bye.

MARK: Bye.



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Answers

Listening



1. Listen to the episode once and answer these questions.

- a) Six questions.
- b)
 - To phone him from LA
 - To keep in touch
 - To remember him

2. Now listen again and complete the missing information on Katie's boarding pass.

Passenger: Katie Jane Little	Destination: Los Angeles	Flight number: BA432	Boarding time: 8.20	Gate number: 37
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Language: Checking in at the airport

3. Here are some common questions you may be asked when you check in at an airport. Put the words in order.

- a) Where are you travelling to?
- b) Can I see your passport please?
- c) How many bags are you checking in?
- d) Did you pack the bags yourself?
- e) Has anyone given you anything to carry for them?
- f) Have you got anything sharp in your hand luggage?
- g) Have you got any liquids in your hand luggage?
- h) Would you prefer a window or an aisle seat?

4. Now think of appropriate answers to all the questions.

- a) To Los Angeles (destination).
- b) Yes of course. Here it is.
- c) One or two.
- d) Yes, I did.
- e) No they haven't.
- f) No, I haven't.
- g) No, I haven't.
- h) A window / aisle seat please.