

My First Trip Abroad

Level: A2

Read about the trips one person has made and a trip to Lisbon last year, then do the exercises. You can listen to the sentences, too.

Reading text

I love travelling, but I have not been to many places. I have been to Portugal, but I have never been to Asia. I have never flown in a helicopter, and I have never travelled by ship. My brother has been to nine countries, so he often gives me advice.

Last year, I took my first trip abroad. I went to Lisbon with my sister in May. We took a taxi to the airport and flew there in two hours. The hotel was near the beach, and we walked there every morning. On Monday, we got lost, but a kind driver showed us the way. We rode a yellow tram and ate fresh fish at a small restaurant. It rained on our last day, so we visited a museum.

On the plane home, I wrote a postcard to my mother. Now I want to go back to Portugal. This year, I have already saved some money for a new trip. Next, I want to visit Japan.

Glossary

abroad	in or to another country
helicopter	an aircraft with a big fan on top
ship	a very big boat
advice	words that help you decide what to do
airport	a place where planes arrive and leave
beach	sand next to the sea
lost	not knowing where you are
tram	a long vehicle that runs on rails in a city street
museum	a building where you can see old or important things
postcard	a card with a picture that you send from a holiday

Exercise 1: Choose the correct answer

Select the option that answers the question.

- Where has the speaker never been?
a) Portugal b) Asia c) Lisbon
- Who did the speaker go to Lisbon with?
a) A sister b) A brother c) A friend
- What did they do on their last day?
a) They rode a tram b) They went to the beach c) They visited a museum

Exercise 2: Right or wrong?

Decide whether each sentence is correct.

4. The speaker's brother has been to nine countries. True / False
5. The speaker has never travelled by ship. True / False
6. It was sunny on the last day in Lisbon. True / False

Exercise 3: Match the words

Match each word with its meaning.

7. airport → _____
8. tram → _____
9. museum → _____
10. postcard → _____

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Exercise 4: Listen and choose

Listening: online only.

Exercise 5: Listen and write

Listening: online only.

Answer key

Exercise 1: Choose the correct answer

1. b) Asia
2. a) A sister
3. c) They visited a museum

Exercise 2: Right or wrong?

4. True
5. True
6. False

Exercise 3: Match the words

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