

Overview

Watch the video podcast. Do you have similar opinions?

1 Read Finn's text and complete it with the words from the box. Then watch the video podcast from 0:10-0:30 and check your answers.



I've <sup>1</sup> spent a lot of time living in different <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ so there isn't one place I think <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ as home. I <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ lived in Scotland <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Poland and China. I love <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to new places and learning about <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ cultures. Today, I <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ asking people about travel.

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2 Watch the video podcast from 0:30-3:07. Number the phrases in the box in the order you hear them, 1-8.

Egypt  plane journeys  good experience  1  
 different lifestyle  backpacking  missing flights   
 eating different food  beautiful scenery

**Glossary:** scenery = the natural things you see around you in the countryside, e.g. rivers, mountains; backpacking = travelling for a long time with a rucksack; flight = a journey in a plane

3 What do they say about travel? Look at the people below and read their answers. Then watch the video podcast from 0:30-1:22 and underline the correct answers, a or b.



1 Travelling is one of her \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) passions b) dreams



2 He's lived in \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) Istanbul b) India



3 She's done \_\_\_\_\_ travelling.  
a) very little b) quite a bit of



4 She \_\_\_\_\_ to travel to different countries.  
a) likes b) loves



5 He's been travelling for \_\_\_\_\_ years.  
a) two and a half b) two



6 She's been to \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) Turkey b) Thailand.

4 What do they like about travelling? Look at the people below and read their answers. Then watch the video podcast from 1:23-2:06 and delete the words you don't hear.



- 1 I think you mature a lot when you travel/~~go travelling~~.      2 I like the flying/airport experience.      3 We love to see theatre/museums in other countries.



- 4 You see some of the best/most beautiful scenery around the world.      5 I like getting out there and experiencing a different culture/country.      6 The anticipation of being in a new place/country, of seeing different things.

**Glossary:** *mature* = grow up and become more adult; *culture* = the ideas, things people believe etc. of a country; *anticipation* = being excited about something that you expect to happen

5 What don't they like? Watch the video podcast from 2:07-3:07 and match the people in pictures A-F to their answers.



- 1 I suppose plane journeys are not always the most exciting of things.   B
- 2 I don't like long flights.
- 3 So when I was backpacking, and we *ran out of* money, or we were in dangerous situations, I actually quite enjoyed that.
- 4 Flying. I don't particularly like flying, but it's a *necessity* when you live in Ireland, you know.
- 5 You spend a lot of time outside the United Kingdom and the *disadvantage* of that is – that you *tend to* miss families and friends.
- 6 I suppose the biggest problem I have with travelling is *living out of a suitcase*.

**Vocabulary**

6 Look at the words/phrases in italics in Ex 5. Match them to definitions A-F.

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| A) think perhaps it's true                                         | <i>suppose</i> |
| B) something you need                                              | _____          |
| C) you travel a lot and never have time to unpack and feel at home | _____          |
| D) you used it all and you don't have any more                     | _____          |
| E) you often do this                                               | _____          |
| F) a negative thing                                                | _____          |

**The way we speak**

7 Look at the people and read their sentences. Then watch the video podcast from 0:30-3:07 and complete the sentences. Watch the podcast again to check your answers. Notice the use of the verb *get*.



You get <sup>1</sup>to meet different people from different backgrounds, and that's pretty important to get an understanding.



It's always nice to just get <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ and experience a different culture and different lifestyle.



I get very <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ about the thought of going to most countries, any country.



The hardest thing for me is that I'm handicapped. And so sometimes getting <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_, especially very old cities, is very difficult.



My wife's usually late getting <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ the airport. It wasn't until I got <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ that I actually started missing flights.

**Glossary:** *handicapped* = have a physical problem that makes it difficult to move normally

**Personalisation****8 Write your answers to the questions.**

1 What do you think about travelling? Do you like it? Why /Why not?

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2 Have you travelled much? Where have you been? What did you like most/ least?

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**FUN FACTS**

UK holiday makers love to house swap. The most popular place for them to go is the USA. To find out more, go to the BBC link below:

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/learningenglish/general/sixminute/2009/05/090604\\_6min\\_homeswap\\_page.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/learningenglish/general/sixminute/2009/05/090604_6min_homeswap_page.shtml)

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