

Topic: Travel

Let's get started...

When was the last time you traveled outside of Bellevue/Seattle? Where did you go? What did you do? Why did you go?

Background:

People travel for many different reasons. They travel for fun and recreation, to visit family, to go to work, to move to a new place, or to go on a religious pilgrimage. There are many ways to travel, such as by foot, by car, by bus, by subway, by train, by boat, and by airplane. Using the Internet makes it very convenient to make travel plans. Americans say that "the world is becoming smaller" as more people travel to places far away from their homes.



In pairs, talk about a place you have traveled to.

1. Why did you go there?
2. How did you plan your trip? (Transportation, food, visas, luggage, etc.)
3. What did you do when you arrived?
4. Did you like or dislike the place? Why or why not?
5. Would you recommend this place to other travelers?



Share with the larger group something you learned.

Interview 3 people about travel. Write down their names. Ask them, "Did you ever travel _____?" And then write their answers for each box, yes or no. Ask them to explain.

Name	Alone? 	With family? 	For work? 	For a move? 	For health? 

Discussion Questions:

What is the **most** common way to travel in your native country? Where do people go? Why?



YOU be the travel advisor! What advice would you give people who are traveling to your native country? What should they see? Where should they go?

What is your **most** favorite way to travel? Why? What is your **least** favorite way to travel?

What is the **worst** travel experience you have ever had? What happened?

Do you like to try new foods when you travel? What was the **best** food you ate while traveling? Where were you?



When you are traveling, how do you communicate with people who speak a different language?



Do you ever feel unsafe when you are traveling? What are some things you can do to be safe when you are traveling?

What do you do when you get lost when you are traveling?

Can you ask for help when you are traveling? Why or why not?

If you had one month and \$1 million, where would you travel to? What would you do? What place do you think **everyone** should travel to? Why?

Dialogues

Bill and Hong are back at work after Thanksgiving weekend. They are talking about how they used their days off.

<i>Harder</i>	<i>Easier</i>
Hong: Did you have a nice Thanksgiving?	Hong: Was Thanksgiving good?
Bill: Yeah, it was good. Way too much food!	Bill: Yes. So much food!
Hong: What did you do?	Hong: Where were you?
Bill: We had Thanksgiving at my brother's house. How 'bout you?	Bill: We were at my brother's.
Hong: We had extra time for shopping and hanging out, and sleep!	Was Thanksgiving good?
	Hong: Yes. We shopped and rested.

New words and Idioms: Recreation, religious pilgrimage, vacation, sightseeing, advisor, experience, advice, safe, unsafe, lost, worst, best, least, most, "hanging out", 'bout

Keep talking about it this week: Ask a coworker or friend: "Tell me about travel in your native country." Write down their answers and share at Talk Time next week.