#### The World of Work

**Task: Travelling While Working** 

Activity 1: Listening

Welcome to a practice listening task for the ISE 2.

You are going to hear a talk about travelling while working. You will hear the talk twice. The first time, just listen. Then I'll ask you to tell me generally what the speaker is talking about. Are you ready?

#### **Audio Script**

Have you been thinking about what would be a great job if you want to travel? Here are a few jobs you may want to think about. Some jobs that a traveller might consider is working on a cruise ship, flight attendant or a language teacher, amongst others.

So to continue, one advantage is working on a cruise ship that can allow you to see many different exotic places while getting paid. Another perk is that free room and board is provided for the worker. So somebody can save a good amount of their salary while travelling, if so desired. A flight attendant is another favourite option for many future travellers. Not only can flight attendants look forward to getting to meet many different people, but they are also exposed to many languages and cultures. One must consider that an added extra is getting to experience many different hotels with all the extras in different points of the world. A bonus that many flight attendants have been enjoying is low-cost or free flights to any point of the world. Foreign language teacher is also a great job for world travellers. Many teachers had stated that they made a difference in the lives of their students when they made for a different country from their own. Although, they also get to experience the lifestyles of their students, which helps them learn more about customs in the world.

In spite of the obvious benefits, there are also some drawbacks. For instance, it ought to be known that many people go through culture shock when they first leave their country and often can't wait to get back home. Furthermore, some people had felt that at first they didn't fit in at first, but eventually most found a way to connect with the locals when they looked around and mingled. Some travellers have had unfortunate experiences by not knowing the language of the country that they are in. Surely, if they had known the problems they would have had, they would have learned some of the language before travelling to that country.

On a final note, it is not uncommon for travellers to miss their homes when they are far away.

To make a long story short, I believe it is safe to say that there are more advantages than disadvantages. There used to not be as many opportunities to travel while working in the past, but thanks to globalization many people that have an itch to travel now, also have the options to be able to set off while working and it shouldn't be taken for granted. Notwithstanding, many should make the effort to plan before travelling while working, in order to have the best possible experience. Overall, it is said that if people were to travel more, the world would be more open minded and a better place.

Can you tell me in one or two sentences what the speaker was talking about?

Now listen to the talk again. This time make some notes as you listen, if you want to. Then I'll ask you to tell me the advantages and disadvantages of travelling and working at the same time.

Now tell me which are the advantages and disadvantages of travelling and working at the same time. You have one minute to talk.

This is the end of the listening task.

#### **Answers:**

Advantages	Cruise Ship Employees
	Flight Attendants  • meet different people / languages / cultures  • low-cost / free flights
	Language Teacher  make a difference in the lives of their students experience lifestyles
Disadvantages	<ul> <li>go through culture shock</li> <li>didn't fit in</li> <li>not knowing the language</li> <li>miss their homes</li> </ul>

Marks: +\_ / +10

# Activity 2: Reading

Find grammar in the audio script and highlight it, writing behind the grammar: For example: You must know that... = You must [modal verb: must] know that Grammar list:

- Second conditional
- Simple passive
- Used to
- Relative clauses
- Modal verb: Must
- Modal verb: Should / Ought to
- Modal verb: May / Might
- Third conditional
- Present perfect continuous
- Past Perfect Simple
- Reported speech / Reported Verb
- Linking expressions: Although
- Linking expressions: In spite of / despite of
- Cohesive devices: So to continue,

Once you have found all the grammar, write down some vocabulary and ideas in the audioscript.

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# Activity 3: Writing

Write a report for your teacher (150 to 180 words) about working while travelling.

- >> Mention some jobs that could be considered
- >> Explain some advantages of these type of jobs
- >> Give recommendations on why these could be go jobs for somebody who wants to travel and why

Plan your writing with the grammar, writing format, and ideas from the writing prompt before starting.

# Activity 4: Speaking

Now, think about having a two minute conversation about: What are the benefits and drawbacks of working and travelling at the same time. You can use ideas from the listening activity and/or add your own ideas.

What ideas can you use?
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What questions can you ask?

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