Unit 4. A TRIP TO REMEMBER

Aims:

- Topic: holidays and travel
- Grammar: articles; countable and uncountable nouns
- Vocabulary: travel vocabulary; compound adjectives
- Listening: Medal of Honor in Iraq
- Speaking: conversation with the interlocutor
- Writing: article
- Pronunciation: stress in verb and noun forms

WARMER. Which trip do you remember?

Grammar: 1st and 2nd conditional; giving advice

Practice grammar with this kahoot: https://create.kahoot.it/share/articles-countable-and-uncountable-nouns/a0942651-97e9-4499-880e-49c87ff6bcd3 (author's own work).

Complete the sentences with *less, few, much,* or *many* (author's own work)**.**

1 I will use.....sugar from now on. I need to lose weight.
2 There are.....vehicles on the road at this time. We will get there very quickly.
3 I don't usually take.....luggage. I only have a backpack with me.
4 There are..... hotels by the beach. It will be difficult to choose one.
5 There have been delays at..... of the stations today. Passengers have complained a lot.
6 I always have too.....cups of coffee. I need to be careful.
7 I didn't understand the presentation – there was too.....information.
8 I wish this cost.....money. I really can't afford this right now.
9 ..... pieces of news on the internet are fake. You must be very careful
10 He had.....suggestions to make the restaurant more popular. He was very helpful.

Add the articles *a/an* or *the* only where needed (author's own work)**.**

(1) ..... pilot once told me that **(2)**.....congestion on the runway is more common than you'd think. **(3)**.....control tower at **(4)**.....airport instructs **(5)** ... planes on where to land, but **(6)**.....busy air traffic controller may sometimes make **(7)**.....mistake and so **(8)**.....pilot said his plane often has to wait for other planes to move out of the way. **(9)**....longest he had to wait once was **(10)**.hour.

Vocabulary (author's own work)**.**

Complete the sentences with a word from the box. You might need to change the form of the words to fit with the grammar of the sentences.

duty-free	to fill up	last-minute	to overtake	air-conditioned
carriage	announcement	long-distance	cut-price	part-time

1. I wasn't paying attention to all the____, so I didn't realise that the platform had changed.
2. Have you ever booked a_____holiday? You can get some very good deals.
3. That ticket officer is only_____staff, so he doesn't know all the platforms and train times.
4. I am going to book a train ticket in the quiet_this time. Last time people around were so loud and inconsiderate that I couldn't relax at all.
5. I hate___flights. There's never enough leg-room for me and sitting there for more than five hours is really uncomfortable.
6. Once I_my car with the wrong type of petrol. The car was ruined and the insurance people were not happy!
7. I never buy anything at the____shops at the airport. I just don't have room in my suitcase on the way back!
8. I wish this bus was_____. It must be 35 degrees in here.
9. I wish people would stop_____me. I know I am driving slowly, but it's raining and we should all be more careful.
10. These__tickets were not worth it. They were very cheap but getting to the airport at this time cost us double, so in the end it wasn't convenient at all.

Listening.

Listen to the podcast for this unit included in Other Resources and answer the following questions:

- David's explanation on the events surrounding the action that earned him the Medal of Honor.
- How "Thank you for your service" translates for those still serving.
- How David describes the kinship, love, trust, and respect shared by those in the Armed Forces and how he became part of the tribe.
- After 20 years of the war on terror, David reflects on his experience and the sacrifices veterans make.
- Post-traumatic stress is not a lifetime condition. How David helps himself and others find balance.

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Writing.

Tips for writing an article

- The article must be interesting for the reader to read.
- The information you provide in your article must be true.
- You lose marks for each mistake you make in your article.
- Your article will need to contain opinion as well as facts.
- It is worth memorising some articles by heart, as you will be able to use one of them in the exam.
- You should try to demonstrate that you can use a wide range of grammar and vocabulary.
- Write an interesting title to catch the reader's attention
- It is important to ask for direct questions
- Opinion adverbs should be introduced
- Talk about your personal experiences
- Your ideas should be divided into clear-cut paragraphs

Do the exercises included in Other Resources to improve your writing skills.

Which sentence from the box could go at the start of a paragraph which will …

All sorts of things can go wrong when you're on holiday.
It's always worth doing thorough research before you book a holiday.
It's vital that you have the chance to take a break from your work or studies.
Some of my holidays have been fantastic; others have been a disaster.

1 introduce problems that can happen on holiday?

2 summarise the writer's experience of good and bad holidays?

3 recommend what people should do before deciding where to go?

4 explain why it's important that holidays are a success?

Speaking.

Watch the video for the unit included in Other Resources and prepare a list on:

- The points you should include when talking about yourself
- The points you should not include when talking about yourself

Assignment for your portfolio.

Write an article on military uniforms. **Use the tool Cambridge Write & Improve** as explained in Other Resources as many times as you consider necessary to get your best article (190 – 200 words). Remember to use the article guidelines.