

6 SPEAKING

- a Think about a bad journey you've had (it could be when you were on holiday, or just something that happened on your way to work or school). Look at the plan below and decide what you are going to say.



1 Set the scene

*One of the worst journeys I've ever had...
It happened (a few months) ago...
I was travelling...*



2 Give the details

*Everything was fine until...
What happened was that...
Suddenly...
So anyway...
Finally...*



3 End with a comment about how you felt

*It was certainly the most...
I've never been so...
I'll never forget it.*



- b Work in groups of three or four and tell each other about your experience. Use the plan to help you tell your story.

7 PRONUNCIATION homophones



Homophones

The **weather** was good...

...he was asking me **whether** the flight had been cancelled...

Weather and whether are homophones. They are spelt differently and have different meanings, but are pronounced exactly the same.

- a With a partner, complete each pair of sentences with homophones.

1 /ki:/

- a We sat on the quay, watching the fishermen mend their nets.
b I can't find my room key. Could I have another one?

2 /weɪt/

- a We've got a three-hour wait before the flight leaves.
b What's the maximum weight for hand luggage on this flight?

3 /bɔ:d/

- a We're boarded! We don't want to visit any more museums!
b The passengers are waiting to board the plane.

4 /breɪk/

- a We're going to break the journey in Milan.
b The airport bus had to break suddenly when a lorry pulled out.

5 /feə/

- a My ticket cost twice as much as yours. It's not fair!
b How much is the air fare to Australia?

6 /pi:z/

- a Where's the piece of paper with our flight details?
b We're going off the beaten track for a bit of peace and quiet.

7 /kɔ:t/

- a It's a four-star hotel and it's even got a tennis court.
b We only just caught the train – it left seconds after we got on it.

8 /saɪt/

- a We visited an archaeological site on the banks of the Nile.
b My first sight of Venice completely took my breath away.

9 /θru:/

- a When we arrived in the States it took us ages to get through immigration.
b The screener at Security threw away my perfume because it was 200 ml.

10 /swɪt/

- a We've booked the hotel's bridal suite for our honeymoon.
b I don't like the local white wine. It's too sweet for me.

11 /'stɔ:riəl/

- a You'll need the serial number of your laptop to make an insurance claim.
b There wasn't much for breakfast, just toast and sausage.

12 /'weðə/

- a We can't decide whether to fly to Paris or to go by train.
b Our flight was delayed for three hours because of bad weather.

- b Test a partner. **A** say one of the homophones, **B** say what the two spellings and meanings are. Then swap roles.

8 4 MP3 SONG Holiday Romance