

A day in the life of a pilot

Exercises of Student's Book

1 Read the following paragraph, then listen and answer.

We always think that the life of an airline pilot is exciting and never boring. But is this true? What does a pilot do before the aeroplane takes off? What does he do after landing? Let's listen to the Jordanian

pilot, Kareem Mahmoud.

Answers:

Before the aeroplane takes off, Kareem:

- arrives at the airport an hour before his flight.
- checks in with his airline.
- prints the weather forecast.
- checks the aeroplane, the flight details and the passengers.
- gets on the plane and makes sure it is safe to fly.
- makes the plane take off.

After landing, Kareem:

- goes to a hotel to eat and sleep.

Audioscript

Kareem Mahmoud: I often hear the question: "What does a pilot do every day?" This is what I do every

Sunday.

9.50 p.m.: I leave the airport hotel in Madrid. I always arrive at the airport an hour before my flight and I check in with my airline.

10.00 p.m.: I print the weather forecast. I check the aeroplane, the flight details and the passengers.

10.05 p.m.: I get on the plane and the flight attendants get the cabin ready. The passengers get on the plane. I make sure it is safe to fly.

10.35 p.m.: The passengers are in their seats. The doors close. The plane is ready to take off. A few minutes later, we're in the sky!

03.05 a.m.: It's Monday morning and we land in Sao Paulo, in Brazil. I do not fly again on the same day. A pilot does not fly more than 100 hours a month. I go to a hotel to eat and sleep.

2 Do your notes match Kareem's routine? In what way are they similar? In what way are they different?

Students' own answers.

3 Listen to Kareem Mahmoud again and fill in the missing verbs in his timetable.

Check in land take off check get on

- 9.50 p.m: I **check in** with my airline.
- 10.00 p.m: I **check** the flight details.
- 10.05 p.m: I **get on** the plane.
- 10.35 p.m: The plane is ready to **take off**.
- 03.05 a.m: We **land** in Sao Paulo.

4 Listen to Kareem Mahmoud one more time and write down the words he uses from the box below. In pairs, try to guess their

meanings.

airport, aeroplane, airline, flight, flight attendants, passengers, cabin, to check in, to take off, to land, weather forecast, every day/week/month, always, never
Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

word	meaning
airport	مطار
aeroplane	طائرة سفر
airline	خطوط جوية
flight	رحلة طيران
flight attendants	موظفو الطائرة
passengers	ركاب
cabin	قمرة
to check in	يسجل
to take off	يقلع
to land	يهبط
weather forecast	تنبؤ بالطقس

Grammar

The Present Simple (affirmative)

1 Complete this paragraph with the verbs in the correct form.

Feel like work have be be

Salma (1) **is** a nurse. She (2) **works** at night.

Salma: I (3) **like** my job. At night, I (4) **have** time to talk to people.
And people (5) **feel** they (6) **are** not alone.

2 Listen and put these verbs in the corresponding group.

hears takes gets tells closes checks matches
arrives prints

/z/	/s/	/iz/
runs	helps	watches
hears	takes	closes
tells	gets	matches
arrives	checks	
	prints	

The Present Simple (negative)

4 Complete the sentences about Salma from exercise 1, the nurses that she works with and the people in the hospital. Use *do not*, *does not*, *is not* and *are not*.

Negative with do/does not		
Salma	(1) does not work	during the day.
Nurses	(2) do not have	time to talk to people during the day.

Negative with is/are not		
Salma	(3) is not	a doctor.
People in the hospital	(4) are not	alone at night.

5 Sami is a fisherman. Read what he says about his job, and then

rewrite this paragraph with the correct form of the verbs.

Answers

Hi! I'm Sami! I am an engineering student in California, but I work as a fisherman during the summer. You do not need a lot of experience to be a fisherman on a fishing boat. People think that a good fisherman does not get seasick. But it is not true!

The Present Simple (interrogative)

6 Ask Sami about his job. Complete the tables with *do* or *does*.

Yes/No Questions

(1) Do	You	need	experience to be a fisherman?
(2) Does	sami	work	In winter?

Wh- Questions

Where (3) does	he	study	engineering?
What (4) do	people	think	About fishermen?

7 Work in pairs. Use these words to ask questions.

Answers

- Do you go to school on Friday?
- What time do you get up on Friday?
- Does your mother make your breakfast?
- Does your father work on Friday?

- e. What time do you have lunch on Friday?
- f. Do you go out with your family on Friday?
- g. What time do you pray on Friday?
- h. Do you practise sports on Friday?
- i. Do you go out with your friends on Friday?