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## Travel advice



### Let's Think

1. Do you want to join a study tour? If so, where do you want to go?
2. What problems may you face while on a study tour?

You are Alex. You are reading a school notice about some travel advice.

### Long River College Notice

Over the past few years, there has been a worrying number of students who fell victim to overseas study tour frauds. In most cases, it was found that the travel agencies involved either did not exist or had already gone bankrupt.

In view of the seriousness of the problem, the school would like to inform students again of some common traps and tips on avoiding them. If you have joined, or intend to join a study tour, you may refer to the blacklist of questionable travel agencies ([click here](#)) for your reference and note the following:

- ◆ whether the travel agency has a valid licence number
- ◆ whether there is any customer feedback about the travel agency on the Internet
- ◆ whether the study tour packages are reasonably priced
- ◆ whether insurance is included as part of the deal

Before leaving Hong Kong, remember to:

- ◆ leave a copy of your passport and information about your travel agency with your parents
- ◆ check the emergency numbers and helplines in your destination
- ◆ bring along prepaid credit cards instead of too much cash

Should you have any enquiries about study tours in general or about joining one, please feel free to consult Mr Benedict Jones or Ms Yip Yan Yi.

Ms Alice Chan

Principal

(211 words)

## Part A

Answer the following questions using the information from the school notice. Choose the **BEST** answer and blacken **ONE** circle only.

1. Why did the school's principal issue the school notice?
  - A. Many students have gone bankrupt.
  - B. Many students were tricked by travel agencies.
  - C. Many travel agencies have gone bankrupt.
  - D. Many students are going to join study tours.
2. Which of the following advice is **NOT** given in the school notice?
  - A. check if the agency is a truly licenced one
  - B. check the prices of the study tours
  - C. do not carry too much cash
  - D. leave a copy of your passport with the school
3. Students should go for study tour packages that \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A. are extremely cheap
  - B. are included on the list provided by the school
  - C. offer insurance to them
  - D. give advice and support to them
4. In lines 17-18, 'enquiries' and 'consult' can best be replaced by '\_\_\_\_\_' and '\_\_\_\_\_' respectively.
  - A. questions...get advice or information from
  - B. problems...listen to
  - C. ideas...share with
  - D. difficulties...understand
5. Which of the following about the school notice is **TRUE**?
  - A. It explains why students should join study tours.
  - B. It warns students that travel agencies go bankrupt easily.
  - C. It helps students get to know the travel agencies better.
  - D. It gives students some noteworthy information about joining study tours.

## Grammar Corner

We use **imperatives** to give advice or instructions.

**e.g.** *Bring along prepaid credit cards instead of too much cash.*  
(Line 16)

What should students who are interested in study tours take note of?

## Part B

Answer the following questions using the information from the school notice. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

1. Who are the readers of this school notice?

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2. Find an adverb which means 'in a fair way'.

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Identify the related paragraph that notes the things to think about travel agencies.

3. Use the words from the school notice to complete the following promotional leaflet of a travel agency. Fill in each blank with one word only.

### Happy Travel—Overseas Study Tours!

- We have partner institutions in over 20 countries including the UK, Canada, Japan, Germany and Italy
- We offer study tours that are (a) \_\_\_\_\_ lower than other agencies' tours
- We provide (b) \_\_\_\_\_ to suit your every need
- We have received a great amount of positive (c) \_\_\_\_\_ over the years
- We have been awarded the best travel (d) \_\_\_\_\_ award for three consecutive years

What are you waiting for? Come and join us!

4. Decide whether each of the following statements is **True**, **False**, or the information is **Not Given** in the school notice. Put a tick (✓) in the appropriate column.

Statement	True	False	NG
(a) Study tours are more popular among girls than among boys.			
(b) There is a list of travel agencies that students should avoid.			
(c) Students are advised to use cash during their trips rather than prepaid credit cards.			
(d) Students may ask the teachers for more details about the tours.			

# Vocabulary Bank

The following are some necessary or useful things to bring along for trips. Match them with the correct pictures. One of the words is not used.

passport      guidebook      adapter      hand sanitiser  
 first aid kit      travel journal      medicine      sunscreen      jumper



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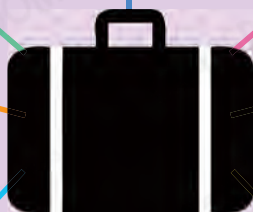
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## Let's Discuss

1. What are the pros and cons of travelling to different places? Why?
2. Would you like to go travelling alone? Why?