UNIT Read and Write



En esta unidad vas a:

- leer un artículo sobre vuelos de lujo
- aprender a escribir en inglés utilizando adjetivos con sufijos.

Singapore Airlines A380: the ultimate in air travel

If you'd like to travel in style on your next business trip, why not fly Singapore Airlines on board the Airbus A380?

This impressive superjumbo is the largest passenger aircraft ever built. Each plane also boasts twelve exclusive suites which offer customers an unparalleled degree of comfort and privacy.

These suites really are the ultimate in luxury air travel. The comfortable leather seats can be adjusted to many different positions so that passengers can sit up or lie down as they wish. In-flight entertainment is provided on a personal 23-inch screen mounted onto the wall of the suite. This offers a wide selection of more than 180 TV programmes, 100 movies, a library of 700 music CDs, plus a choice of 3D games and much more.

For passengers wishing to sleep on board, there is a full-size flat bed with luxurious duvets and attractive cushions. Designer pyjamas are also supplied. For those passengers wishing to work, the suites can be transformed into a stylish and fullyfunctional office. The table can be adjusted for both width and height and can therefore be used as a workstation, a meeting table or a dining table. If customers have a laptop, they'll be able to plug it in to the in-seat power supply and get on with their work during the flight.



Along with the ultimate in business and entertainment systems, customers can also enjoy a pleasurable dining experience with gourmet dishes served on fine china and silverware. Passengers can dine on board as they would in a quality restaurant, choosing what to eat and when from a delicious menu created by top chefs. They can also order first class wines, champagnes and spirits to accompany their meal.

The suites themselves have been designed in leather and wood, with soothing natural tones which help to create an atmosphere of tranquillity. This artistic decor adds a further element of luxury. If passengers wish to enjoy absolute privacy inside the suites, they'll be able to close the sliding doors and pull down the window blinds to ensure that they aren't disturbed.

Passengers will find everything they could possibly need on board this spacious aircraft. Even the restrooms feature a Hollywood-style mirror, enhanced lighting and complimentary toiletries, so that passengers will arrive at their destination feeling completely refreshed and relaxed.

1 Numera las actividades que pueden realizar los pasajeros según el orden en que aparecen en el artículo.



- ___ go to sleep
- ___ watch a movie
- ___ drink wine
- ___ freshen up
- ___ have dinner
- ___ listen to music
- 1 change the position of the seat
- ___ work on a laptop

2 Elige la opción correcta.



- 1 The Airbus A380 in the article is run by
 - a an American airline.
 - **b** an Asian airline.
- 2 In-flight entertainment is shown on a
 - a portable TV screen.
 - **b** screen built into the wall of the suite.
- 3 Passengers who travel in suites sleep
 - a in a full-size bed.
 - **b** on an adjustable seat.
- 4 The table is useful because
 - a it's got a power supply.
 - **b** it's multi-functional.
- 5 The airline food is served
 - a in a restaurant.
 - **b** on china dinnerware.
- 6 The toiletries given to passengers are
 - a free.
 - **b** made of natural products.

Words to remember

3 Busca las palabras en el texto.

Someone who travels on a plane or other form of transport (paragraph 1). passenger



1 A vehicle that flies (paragraph 1).



2 Material made from animal skin (paragraph 2).



3 Comfortable clothes that you wear in bed (paragraph 3).



4 To eat dinner (paragraph 4).



5 Strong alcoholic drinks such as vodka or gin (paragraph 4).



6 Material made from trees (paragraph 5).



7 Something made from glass which you use to see an image of yourself (paragraph 6).



Adjectives with suffixes

Hay adjetivos que se forman añadiendo distintos sufijos a sustantivos y verbos. Al formar el adjetivo, a veces puede cambiar la ortografía.

-able

comfort > comfortable
comodidad > cómodo/a

enjoy > enjoyable

disfrutar > agradable

pleasure > pleasurable

placer > placentero/a, grato/a

comfortable leather seats

asientos de cuero cómodos

a pleasurable experience

una grata experiencia

-ic

art > artistic
arte > artístico/a

drama > dramatic

drama > dramático/a

romance > romantic

romanticismo > romántico/a

artistic decor

decoración artística

a romantic dinner

una cena romántica

-ive

attract > attractive

atraer > atractivo/a, bonito/a

decorate > decorative

decorar > decorativo/a

impress > impressive

impresionar > impresionante

attractive cushions

bonitos cojines

this impressive superjumbo

este superjumbo impresionante

-ous

ambition > ambitious ambición > ambicioso/a

luxury > luxurious

lujo > lujoso/a, de lujo

space > spacious

espacio > espacioso/a

luxurious duvets

lujosos edredones nórdicos

this spacious aircraft

este avión espacioso

Completa las frases utilizando adjetivos con sufijos.



We had a candlelit dinner together. It was a very **romantic** evening. (romance)

- 1 The cruise ship was really ______. It was like a 5-star hotel! (luxury)
- 2 Our kitchen is so ______. There's plenty of room for a table and chairs. (space)
- **3** Camping out under the stars was a very _____ experience. (pleasure)
- **4** Katie's birthday party was really ______. We had fun. (enjoy)
- 5 The beginning of the novel was boring but the ending was quite ______. (drama)
- **6** Our new bed is extremely ______ . I don't want to get up in the mornings! (comfort)
- 7 The science exhibition was superb. It was really ______. (impress)
- **8** My brother wants to be a politician. He's incredibly ______. (ambition)

2 Completa los adjetivos con el sufijo correcto.



We spent a very pleasurable evening last night with some old friends. They've just bought an 1 attract country cottage and they invited us round to see it. It's really lovely. It's got a 2 spaci living room with a really 3 comfort armchair which the cat sits on! The walls are covered with 4 artist photographs of the local area in 5 decorat frames. There's also a 6 dramat view of the hills from the bedroom window which is absolutely wonderful.

We had a look round the garden as well.
Our friends have an **7** ambiti_____ plan to grow all their own vegetables and they've already planted some potatoes. There are some beautiful flowers too. The whole place has a really **8** romant____ atmosphere. I'm already looking forward to our next visit.