

Tapescript

- 1 Iberian Airways flight 268 to Barcelona is now ready for boarding. Will all passengers for this flight proceed to gate 42.
- 2 This is the last call for passengers travelling to Rome on Alitalia flight 571, due to leave at 12.40. Will any remaining passengers please go immediately to gate 12 where the flight is now closing.
- 3 A: Excuse me. I have a ticket for the 12.30 flight to Marseilles. I was told to wait for announcements. Could you tell me what's happening?
B: Is that Air France?
A: Yes, that's right, flight 729.
B: I'm afraid the plane has been delayed because of technical problems. The new departure time is 14.30.
A: Oh dear! Another two hours!
- 4 This is the final call for passenger Jenkins travelling on Swissair flight number 414 to Geneva departing at 12.30. Will passenger Jenkins please go to gate 13 where the flight is ready to depart.
- 5 A: Oh no! Such terrible traffic and now I'm so late!... erm, excuse me, has the 12.45 Lufthansa flight to Prague left yet?
B: What's the flight number?
A: Oh, hang on a moment..... yes, here we are... it's 3196.
B: Right, you're in luck. It's still boarding - at Gate 19. Check in quickly and you'll still make it.
A: Thanks a million.
- 6 This is an important announcement. Due to extreme weather conditions, Stockholm Airport has closed until tomorrow morning. Will all passengers on SAS flight 108, due to depart at 13.30, please report to the airport information desk. Thank you.
- 7 Olympic Airways regret to announce the delay of flight 4022 to Athens due to depart at 13.45. This flight is now scheduled to depart at 15.40.

Task 2.

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Hampton Court is near Richmond in south west London. It's easy to get to from the centre of the city: you can catch a train from Waterloo station or even take a boat down the river Thames from Westminster. Hampton court has been home to many of Britain's famous kings and queens including Henry VIII, Charles I, and William and Mary. You should see the lavishly decorated state apartments and the Great Hall with its original tapestries. The palace also boasts one of the finest collections of Renaissance paintings in Europe. One of the highlights of any tour is the vast Tudor kitchens. In the time of Henry VIII up to 1200 people a day were fed from these kitchens. Today

they are laid out as if a feast was being prepared, with a roaring log fire and dishes that include roast peacock and desserts decorated with real gold. If you want the historical background to Hampton Court, there are expert guides wearing period costumes ready to give you a guided tour.

The formal gardens are a great feature too: you can walk through them to the River Thames, or you can get lost in the famous maze.

The Palace is also home to one of the oldest vines in the world, which still produces about 300 kg. of grapes a year.

If you want something to eat or drink you can choose from the Tiltyard tearooms or the Privy Kitchen Coffee Shop. The palace shops offer a wide range of gifts and souvenirs.

Leeds Castle is in Kent in the south-east corner of England. You can get a National Express coach there or you can travel by train from Victoria station on an "all-in-one" ticket which includes admission to the castle.

Leeds was built just after the Norman Conquest of 1066 AD and many kings and queens including Henry VIII used it as a residence. It's in a lovely setting, surrounded by lakes and a moat. There are woods for the visitor to wander through, and formal gardens with a maze to get lost in. Children will enjoy the Secret Grotto with its underground caves. And if you like bird spotting you'll find plenty of wildfowl: including the famous black swans on the castle lakes. There's an aviary, too, with more than a hundred species of birds.

Although at present there are no tours of the interior of the castle, there's plenty to see and do around it. You can visit the fascinating Museum of Dog Collars — the only one of its kind in Britain; there are shops and restaurants, and, if you are so inclined, there's a nine hole golf course where you can play a round amidst some of the loveliest scenery in the country.

There are special events at the castle all the year round. These include performances of Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* on the Pavilion lawn in early June, and a grand fireworks spectacular during the first week of November.