

Grammar for explaining travel itineraries

Work with a partner. You each have an explanation of the travel itinerary below. DO NOT LOOK AT YOUR PARTNER'S PAPER! Do the following:

- i. Student A reads sentence 1 out loud.
- ii. Student B reads sentence 1 out loud.
- iii. Find the differences.
- iv. Decide which sentence is better. Give a reason if possible.
- v. Make corrections on your paper, if necessary.
- vi. Do i-v for sentences 2, 3, 4, etc.

Travel itinerary

Depart	Arrive	Flight number	Date	Time	Check-in
New York (JFK)		Iberia 6250	11/18	5:55 p.m.	J14 3:55 p.m.
	Madrid		11/19	7:15 a.m.	
Madrid		Iberia 106	11/19	10:55 a.m.	103 9:55 a.m.
	Seville		11/19	11:25 a.m.	

- 1) You'll just go through the itinerary with me.
- 2) At first, you take Iberia flight 6250 from JFK to Madrid.
- 3) The flight is at 5:55 p.m. on November 18th.
- 4) You have to check in on gate J14 by 3:55 p.m.
- 5) You'll arrival in Madrid at 7:15 a.m.
- 6) That's one day later, on November 19th.
- 7) After that, you will go Seville in Iberia flight 106.
- 8) It departure at 10:55 a.m. and gets to Seville at 11:25 a.m.
- 9) Check-in is one hour before departure, at 9:55 a.m.
- 10) Do you have any questions?

Look at the example sentences:

- a) **First**, I went to school. Next, I stopped at the supermarket.
b) **At first**, I liked this class. But now, it's boring.

What is the difference between “first” and “at first”?

What are the rules of using prepositions?

- a) Use _____ with times.
_____ 1:00
_____ noon
_____ 7:15 p.m.
- b) Use _____ with dates and days of the week.
_____ November 19th
_____ New Year's Day
_____ Tuesday
- c) Use _____ to give a deadline
Finish the report _____ tomorrow.
Be at the gate _____ 10:15 a.m.
- d) Use _____ to give an endpoint to an action or state that lasts.
I waited _____ 3:00. Then, I left.

Below is the second half of the travel itinerary. With your partner, explain it to a client (out loud). Use the sentences from page 1 as a guide. When you are finished, write your explanation.

Travel itinerary

Depart	Arrive	Flight number	Date	Time	Check-in
Seville		Iberia 115	11/26	10:10 a.m.	96 8:40 a.m.
	Madrid		11/26	10:40 a.m.	
Madrid		Iberia 6251	11/26	1:00 p.m.	14 12:00 p.m.
	New York (JFK)		11/26	3:30 p.m.	