

# TRAVEL VOCABULARY LIST

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<b>Ablution Block</b>	A building in a public area (such as a park or campground) with facilities for washing / toilets.
<b>Additional Costs (Hidden Costs / Add-on Fare)</b>	Extra money you have to pay on top of a basic price. For example, when you book a tour, it could be that you have to pay extra to enter a National Park or tip your driver, etc.
<b>Amenities</b>	Something, such as a swimming pool or shopping centre, that is meant to make life more comfortable for the people in a town or hotel.
<b>American Breakfast</b>	A hotel breakfast that includes most or all of the following: eggs, sliced bacon or sausages, sliced bread or toast with jam/jelly/butter, pancakes with syrup, cornflakes, coffee/tea, juice.
<b>Baggage Allowance</b>	The number of pieces or total weight of baggage (suitcase or backpack, etc.) that you can take with you on for example a flight or a bus.
<b>Balance</b>	When talking about money, this is the amount of money you have left (for example: your bank balance is 100€) or it could be what's left to pay (the restaurant bill shows a balance of 50€)
<b>Bond</b>	The money you pay extra when, for example, you rent a car. If you return it without breaking the car, you get this money back.
<b>Booking Free</b>	The money you have to pay to make a reservation, for example, at a hotel. This can be a set amount or perhaps 10% of the total price, depending on the company.
<b>Booking Reference</b>	A reservation number used by a company (hotel/airline, etc.) to find your ticket information.
<b>Bunk Bed</b>	Two beds, one above the other, usually found in a hostel dorm room.

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**Cancellation Charge  
(Cancellation Fee)**

Sometimes when you make a booking and then cancel this, you have to pay a certain amount of money for not showing up. This could be the full price, or for example 10% of the total bill.

**Check-In**

The procedure by which an airline or hotel formally registers you at arrival of your flight or hotel stay. They will show you your room and tell you some house rules.

**Check-Out**

The procedure by which you leave your hotel/hostel room and pay for your bill. In some hostels, you also need to bring your bed sheets to reception.

**Concession**

When you pay less for something, because you fall in a certain category of people (student, 65+, child). Usually you will need a special card to prove your age/university membership.

**Confirmation**

When you book something, like a ticket for a flight or a tour, you will get an email or code to prove that the booking went alright. Usually you will need to print and bring this confirmation to show on arrival.

**Continental Breakfast**

A hotel breakfast that may include sliced bread with butter/jam/honey, cheese, meat, croissants, pastries, rolls, fruit juice and various hot drinks.

**Cordial**

A sweet fruit-flavoured drink that you usually mix with water to make more of it. You will see this a lot on group tours in Australia.

**Crockery**

Plates, dishes, cups, and other similar items that you can find in a hostel kitchen.

**(Night) Curfew**

A rule at some hotels or hostels where they tell you to stay indoors between specified hours, typically at night.

**Cutlery**

Knives, forks, and spoons that you can find in a hostel kitchen or a hotel breakfast room / restaurant.

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**(To) Declare (Something)**

Announce that you carry certain items. They will ask you 'Do you have anything to declare'? For example at the airport, you might have to declare that you are bringing in food into the country.

**Demerit Points**

In some countries, you will have demerit points on your drivers license. When you break a rule, cause an accident, etc, one or more points can then be taken from your licence.

**(Key) Deposit**

In some hotels or hostels you have to pay a certain amount for your room key, which you get back when you leave and return the key. When you lose the key, usually you don't get your deposit back. Most hostels will also ask a deposit for borrowing items, like games or hair dryers.

**Doona**

Australian word for duvet: the soft quilt filled with down, feathers, or a synthetic fibre, used instead of an upper sheet and blankets.

**Dormitory  
(Dorm)**

A room in a hostel that you share with other people. There can be dorms of different sizes, from 3-4-6-8 to even 10-14 or more beds!

**Driver Fatigue  
(Drowsy Driving)**

This is caused by not enough sleep, driving at night and working or being awake for a long time. It's very dangerous when you drive a car when suffering from this and can cause accidents.

**Drop-Off Point**

The point where a company will leave you after for example a bus tour (like the hotel or the bus station).

**English Breakfast**

Traditional breakfast may include cereal, porridge, fruit, yogurt, boiled eggs, bacon, sausages, grilled or fried mushrooms/tomatoes, toasted bread with jam and tea or coffee.

**Ensuite**

A room that has the bathroom in the room, so you don't have to share it with other people.

**(To) Extend Your Stay**

Staying Longer (For example: 'I'm extending my stay with 2 nights')

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<b>Facilities</b>	The services a hotel or hostel has available, like a swimming pool, room service, dining room, etc.
<b>(Key) Fob</b>	In some hotels and hostels, they work with a fob system, which is a little piece of plastic on a keyring that you can hold in front of a keypad to open the front door and the door to your room.
<b>Gap Year</b>	A period, typically an academic year, taken by a student as a break between school and university or college education.
<b>Hop-On-Hop-Off Bus</b>	Most big cities have this system where a bus goes on certain times to specific stops, you can then buy a day ticket and get on and off that bus as many times you want. In some places, like Australia, this system also exists for multiple day tours to other cities.
<b>Inclusions</b>	Everything that is included in the total price when you buy a ticket for a tour (for example: lunch could be included in the ticket)
<b>Indigenous</b>	Something /someone that originally comes from a particular place (when talking about people, they can also be called native/aboriginal)
<b>Itinerary</b>	A planned route or journey (For example: 'Day 1 – London, Day 2 – Amsterdam, etc.')
<b>Labour Work</b>	Manual / physical work done by people instead of machines. Labour Work is very popular among (mostly male) people when travelling.
<b>Leg or Segment (of journey)</b>	A part of your entire trip. For example, if you travel from Amsterdam to Paris, one leg could be Amsterdam to Antwerp and then the second leg is Antwerp to Paris.
<b>(Bed) Linen</b>	The thin sheets that go onto your bed. In hotels this is usually included, in hostels you sometimes have to pay extra for it!
<b>Notice Board</b>	In most hostels, you will find a board with advertised jobs, people selling cars and other messages.

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<b>Overtaking</b>	When you drive in your car, catch up with someone driving next to you in the same direction and then passing them. Every country has different overtaking rules!
<b>Package Deal</b>	While you can buy tickets to attractions or for some tours separate, when you buy more of them in one go (as a package) at a travel agent, you usually can get a bit of a discount.
<b>Padlock</b>	A small lock with a key or a code that you can use to close a safety locker in for example your hostel room. Some hostels will sell them, usually you bring your own.
<b>Permit</b>	An official document giving you permission to do something. For some National Parks for example, you need a permit to enter, camp or fish there.
<b>Pick-Up Point</b>	The place where a company will pick you up for a tour or to bring you somewhere (usually your hotel, at the airport or a bus station)
<b>Pub Crawl (Big Night Out)</b>	A tour where you visit several pubs or clubs with a group of people, with one or more drinks at each place. Most hostels will organise these events weekly (or even daily)
<b>Refund</b>	When you get money back either because you weren't happy with a product, or you already paid for something and have to cancel it.
<b>Rental</b>	When you pay money to use something for a certain amount of time and then bring it back.
<b>Shuttle (Bus)</b>	A bus or big car that takes people from one specific place to another. For example from the airport to the city center or to a hotel.
<b>Twin Room</b>	A room in a hostel or hotel that is for two people. Usually this means two separate beds, but always check as this can be different in some places.
<b>(Discount) Voucher</b>	A printed piece of paper that gives you a discount (you pay less) on something.