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Unit Don'tt Panie! Have you had an emergency situation recently? How did you handle it?

# **Key Words**

panic emergency flight attendant take off announce land

## A Look and listen. Then write the word(s).













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## B Choose the right word(s) to complete the sentence.

- 1 After a 12-hour flight, the plane is just about to (take off / land).
- 2 (Emergencies / Flight attendants) take care of passengers on the plane.
- 3 Some people like roller coasters, but they (panic / announce) me.
- 4 An airplane needs a long runway in order to (take off / flight attendants).
- 5 The pilot (landed / announced) that there would be some turbulence.
- **6** During a trip, I carry some medicine for (panics / emergencies).

# Don't Panic! ©33-02

Most pilots say that learning to fly is easy. The hard part is knowing what to do when something goes wrong. They practice over and over. It's important to do this. That way, they won't panic in a real emergency. It's the same for flight attendants. Here's an interview with a pilot who speaks about a recent emergency in the sky.

Q1: You had an emergency while flying recently. What happened? Pilot: Well, soon after we took off, there was smoke inside the plane. That is serious, obviously! First, I told air traffic control by radio about the smoke.

Then my co-pilot and
I checked our flight
manual. We looked
at the emergency checklist.



But we couldn't figure out the problem. So we told air traffic control that we had to turn around immediately.

**Q2:** Wow! That must have been scary. What did the flight attendants do?

Pilot: First, they calmly announced we were landing.

They made sure everyone stayed seated and helped some passengers who were panicking. Thankfully, we landed safely a few minutes later. (176 words)

#### Think about it

What emergencies can happen on a flight?

Air traffic control is a group of people who give instructions to pilots by radio.

## **More Words & Phrases**

- □ **recent** having happened only a short time ago
- manual a book that gives instructions about how to do something
- □ **checklist** a list that reminds you of things you need to do for a particular job
- □ **figure out** to understand what has happened
- □ **turn around** to turn in an opposite direction

# Comprehension

7	1	What	is	the	passage	mainly	about?
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- (a) training for emergency situations
- **b** special rules for pilots and flight attendants
- © how a pilot dealt with an emergency

## Mark T(true) or F(false) according to the passage.

1 Pilots say that learning to fly is hard.	Т 🗌	F
2 The pilot quickly told air traffic control there was smoke.	T	F
3 The pilots were able to find and solve the problem.	т	FΠ

### Choose the best answer to each question.

- What do pilots practice over and over?
  - (a) learning to fly
    - **b** handling emergencies
- © managing flight attendants
- 2 How did the pilot know there was a problem?
  - (a) There was smoke.
  - (b) Air traffic control told him.
  - © He saw it on the checklist.
- 3 What did the flight attendants do?
  - (a) They stayed seated with the passengers.
  - (b) They landed the plane safely.
  - © They calmly announced the plane was landing.

D Read the passage again. Then complete the chart below.

	What Happened on Flight	
The emergency	Soon after taking off, there was plane.	inside the
What the pilots did	<ul> <li>The pilot told air traffic control by</li> <li>The pilots checked the flight but couldn't for problem.</li> <li>They told air traffic control that they had immediate</li> </ul>	about it. and the igure out the to
The result	They safely a few minute	s later.

## Link to Write

Write about an emergency situation you have had.

# I have experienced an emergency. It was (when) What happened: What you did: The result: The next time the same thing happens, I'll be more prepared for it!