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Dubai world's busiest international airport

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THE READING

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Dubai International Airport (DXB) has kept its position as the world's busiest international airport. It overtook London's Heathrow airport, which had been top for over a decade. DXB handled a record 78 million passengers in 2015. This is an average of one every 2.5 seconds. Heathrow handled 75 million passengers but had more daily flights than DXB. In January 2015, there were over 8,000 weekly flights from DXB, operated by 140 airlines to over 270 destinations on six continents. Dubai's other airport has a planned annual capacity of up to 250 million passengers.

DXB is a vital part of Dubai's economy. It employs around 90,000 people and indirectly supports over 400,000 jobs. It is worth over \$26.7 billion to the economy, which represents around 27 per cent of Dubai's GDP. The CEO of DXB said: "It's another banner year for Dubai International where we broke records, engaged and entertained our customers in new ways, and retained our position as the world's number one international hub." DXB will soon set another record when the airline Emirates launches the world's longest non-stop flight, connecting Dubai with Auckland.

Sources: <http://www.independent.co.uk/travel/news-and-advice/dubai-international-stretches-its-lead-over-heathrow-for-international-airline-passengers-a6847376.html>
<http://www.khaleejtimes.com/business/aviation/dubai-airport-remains-no-1-for-handling-international-passengers-in-2015>
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MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. It overtook | a. 250 million passengers |
| 2. DXB handled a | b. every 2.5 seconds |
| 3. an average of one | c. six continents |
| 4. more daily | d. London's Heathrow |
| 5. operated by | e. capacity |
| 6. over 270 destinations on | f. flights than DXB |
| 7. a planned annual | g. 140 airlines |
| 8. up to | h. record 78 million passengers |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. DXB is a vital part | a. records |
| 2. It employs around | b. to the economy |
| 3. supports over 400,000 | c. of DXB |
| 4. It is worth over \$26.7 billion | d. international hub |
| 5. The CEO | e. of Dubai's economy |
| 6. we broke | f. jobs |
| 7. the world's number one | g. flight |
| 8. the world's longest non-stop | h. 90,000 people |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Dubai International Airport (DXB) has (1) _____ as the world's busiest international airport. (2) _____ Heathrow airport, which had been (3) _____ decade. DXB handled a record 78 million passengers in 2015. This is an average of one every 2.5 seconds. Heathrow handled 75 million passengers (4) _____ flights than DXB. In January 2015, there (5) _____ weekly flights from DXB, operated by 140 airlines to over 270 destinations on six continents. Dubai's other airport has a planned (6) _____ up to 250 million passengers.

DXB (7) _____ Dubai's economy. It employs around 90,000 people and indirectly supports over 400,000 jobs. It is worth over \$26.7 billion (8) _____, which represents around 27 per cent of Dubai's GDP. (9) _____ said: "It's another banner year for Dubai International where (10) _____, engaged and entertained our customers (11) _____, and retained our position as the world's number one international hub." DXB will soon set another record when the airline Emirates (12) _____ longest non-stop flight, connecting Dubai with Auckland.

AIRPORTS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about airports in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)

FREE WRITING

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Write about **airports** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner's paper.
