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Level 1

Woman thrown off plane for shouting at crying baby

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Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1802/180217-crying-baby-1.html>

A woman was asked to leave an airplane because she was angry about a crying baby. She would not sit down in the seat next to the crying baby. The woman was very rude to the baby's mother. The mother was flying home from New York's JFK airport with her eight-month-old son. It was a short flight, but the woman was very unhappy. She didn't want to sit at the back of the plane. The plane was full, so she could not get a different seat.

The mother posted a video of the angry woman on social media. In the video, the woman picks up her coat and shouts: "I'm not sitting next to a crying baby." She would not calm down. She started to swear at the mother. Cabin crew asked the woman to get off the airplane. She told the cabin crew they would lose their jobs. The mother wrote on Facebook: "This lady thought she was going to be rude to me and...now she has no way home today."

Sources: <https://nypost.com/2018/02/14/woman-booted-from-plane-after-refusing-to-sit-next-to-crying-baby/>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. A woman was asked | a. the plane |
| 2. in the seat next to | b. was very rude |
| 3. The woman | c. flight |
| 4. with her eight- | d. seat |
| 5. It was a short | e. the crying baby |
| 6. sit at the back of | f. full |
| 7. The plane was | g. to leave |
| 8. she could not get a different | h. month-old son |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. on social | a. off the airplane |
| 2. the woman picks | b. be rude to me |
| 3. She started to swear | c. up her coat |
| 4. asked the woman to get | d. way home today |
| 5. cabin | e. their jobs |
| 6. they would lose | f. at the mother |
| 7. she was going to | g. media |
| 8. she has no | h. crew |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1802/180217-crying-baby-1.html>

A woman was (1) _____ an airplane because she was angry about a crying baby. She would (2) _____ in the seat next to the crying baby. The woman (3) _____ to the baby's mother. The mother was flying home from New York's JFK airport with her eight-month-old son. It was (4) _____, but the woman (5) _____. She didn't want to sit at the back of the plane. The (6) _____, so she could not get a different seat.

The mother (7) _____ of the angry woman (8) _____. In the video, the woman picks up her coat and shouts: "I'm (9) _____ to a crying baby." She would not calm down. She started to swear at the mother. Cabin crew asked the woman to get (10) _____. She told the cabin crew they would (11) _____. The mother wrote on Facebook: "This lady thought she was going to be rude to me and...now she has no (12) _____."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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CRYING BABIES SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1802/180217-crying-baby-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about crying babies 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) _____

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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) _____

