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Most British people take tea bags on holiday

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1808/180802-tea-bags.html>

Over half of British people take tea bags with them when they leave Britain to go on holiday or go on a business trip. British people are famous for loving tea and need their cup of tea even when travelling overseas. A survey found that tea bags were the most popular comfort item Britons pack in their suitcase when going abroad. The survey is from a car rental company. It asked over 1,000 holidaymakers what essentials they need when visiting other countries. Around 55 per cent of them said tea bags. Other items Britons couldn't do without are toilet paper, fluffy towels, potato chips and bacon. Britons also take their favourite biscuits, presumably to dip into their morning cuppa.

One of the people who took part in the survey explained why he took tea bags with him. Richard Ellis, 39, said: "I always take my favourite tea bags on holiday. I took them to Thailand last year. It doesn't matter where I am, the tea bags go with me – even to my parents who live down the road from me but don't drink the same tea as me." Another person wondered why people needed to take things from home. Sue Smith said: "We can buy things from home in other countries. We should try the food and drinks of the culture we are visiting." The car rental company said: "It's really interesting to see what holidaymakers decide to take with them." The company added: "A fifth of people admitted they pack too much."

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WARM-UPS

1. TEA BAGS: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about tea bags. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

half / tea bags / business trips / overseas / comfort / suitcase / towels / chips / bacon survey / holiday / parents / other countries / car rental / interesting / a fifth / pack

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. TEA: Students A **strongly** believe tea is better than coffee; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. COMFORT ITEMS: Why might people take these things on holiday? How much do you think they need them? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Why take these?	How necessary are they?
Tea bags		
Toilet paper		
Fluffy towels		
Potato chips		
Ketchup		
Pillow		

5. HOLIDAY: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "holiday". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. PACKING: Rank these with your partner. Put the most important things to take on holiday at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- a book
- tea bags
- a pillow
- ketchup
- potato chips
- chocolate
- playing cards
- washing powder

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|---------------|--|
| 1. trip | a. An investigation of the opinions or experiences of a group of people, based on different questions. |
| 2. famous | b. Of, like, or covered with very soft cotton. |
| 3. overseas | c. An act of going to a place and returning. |
| 4. survey | d. In, from or to a foreign country. |
| 5. comfort | e. Known about by many people. |
| 6. essentials | f. A state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint. |
| 7. fluffy | g. The things that we totally, totally need. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|--------------|---|
| 8. explained | h. Is of importance. |
| 9. matter | i. Wanted to know about something or someone. |
| 10. wondered | j. Said something was true. |
| 11. culture | k. Made an idea, situation, or problem clearer to someone by describing it in more detail or revealing relevant facts or ideas. |
| 12. rental | l. Fill a suitcase or bag, especially with clothes and other items needed when away from home. |
| 13. admitted | m. The amount of money paid for the use of something (like a house, room, car, DVD, etc.). |
| 14. pack | n. The customs, arts, social institutions, and achievements of a particular country, people, or other social group. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1808/180802-tea-bags.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. British people don't take tea bags on business trips. **T / F**
- b. Tea bags are the second most popular comfort item for Britons. **T / F**
- c. Over 10,000 people were asked about what they take on holiday. **T / F**
- d. Many British people take bacon with them when they go abroad. **T / F**
- e. A 39-year-old said he always takes tea bags with him on holiday. **T / F**
- f. The 39-year-old takes tea bags when he visits his parents. **T / F**
- g. A woman said we should try foreign food when travelling. **T / F**
- h. A quarter of British people say they pack too much. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- | | |
|----------------------|------------------|
| 1. trip | a. thought about |
| 2. famous | b. immerse |
| 3. popular | c. participated |
| 4. essentials | d. well known |
| 5. dip | e. confessed |
| 6. took part | f. vacation |
| 7. wondered | g. choose |
| 8. buy | h. well liked |
| 9. decide | i. purchase |
| 10. admitted | j. necessities |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. British people are famous | a. they need |
| 2. the most popular comfort | b. matter where I am |
| 3. what essentials | c. too much |
| 4. Other items Britons couldn't | d. item |
| 5. dip into their morning | e. of people |
| 6. the people who took | f. do without |
| 7. It doesn't | g. part in the survey |
| 8. car | h. cuppa |
| 9. A fifth | i. for loving tea |
| 10. they pack | j. rental company |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1808/180802-tea-bags.html>

Over (1) _____ of British people take tea bags with them when they leave Britain to go on holiday or go on a business (2) _____. British people are famous for (3) _____ tea and need their cup of tea even when travelling overseas. A (4) _____ found that tea bags were the most popular comfort item Britons pack in their (5) _____ when going abroad. The survey is from a car (6) _____ company. It asked over 1,000 holidaymakers what essentials they need when visiting other countries. Around 55 per cent of them said tea bags. Other items Britons couldn't (7) _____ without are toilet paper, fluffy towels, potato chips and bacon. Britons also take their favourite biscuits, presumably to (8) _____ into their morning cuppa.

survey
rental
loving
dip
trip
half
do
suitcase

One of the people who took (9) _____ in the survey explained why he took tea bags with him. Richard Ellis, 39, said: "I (10) _____ take my favourite tea bags on holiday. I took them to Thailand last year. It doesn't (11) _____ where I am, the tea bags go with me – even to my parents who live (12) _____ the road from me but don't drink the same tea as me." Another person (13) _____ why people needed to take things from home. Sue Smith said: "We can buy things from home in other countries. We should (14) _____ the food and drinks of the culture we are visiting." The car rental company said: "It's really (15) _____ to see what holidaymakers decide to take with them." The company added: "A (16) _____ of people admitted they pack too much."

try
part
down
fifth
always
interesting
wondered
matter

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1808/180802-tea-bags.html>

- 1) British people are famous for loving tea and need their cup of tea even when _____
 - a. travel in overseas
 - b. travelling oversea
 - c. travelling over the seas
 - d. travelling overseas
- 2) A survey found that tea bags were the most popular comfort item Britons _____ suitcase
 - a. back in their
 - b. pack in their
 - c. hack in their
 - d. tack in their
- 3) It asked over 1,000 holidaymakers what _____ need
 - a. essentially they
 - b. essential is they
 - c. essential as they
 - d. essentials they
- 4) Other items Britons couldn't do without are toilet paper, _____, potato chips and bacon
 - a. floppy towels
 - b. fluffy towels
 - c. flossy towels
 - d. flappy towels
- 5) Britons also take their favourite biscuits, presumably to _____ morning cuppa
 - a. dip into their
 - b. dip onto their
 - c. dip inter their
 - d. dip unto their
- 6) One of the people who took part in the survey _____
 - a. explained why
 - b. explained what
 - c. explained way
 - d. explained whey
- 7) I took them to Thailand last year. It doesn't _____
 - a. matters when I am
 - b. matter where I am
 - c. mattered where I am
 - d. matter when I am
- 8) Another person wondered why people needed to take _____ home
 - a. thing from
 - b. things form
 - c. things frame
 - d. things from
- 9) It's really interesting to see what holidaymakers decide to _____
 - a. takes with them
 - b. take within them
 - c. take within then
 - d. take with them
- 10) A fifth of people admitted they _____
 - a. pack two much
 - b. pack to much
 - c. pack too much
 - d. pack tomb much

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1808/180802-tea-bags.html>

Over half of British people take tea bags (1) _____ they leave Britain to go on holiday or (2) _____ business trip. British people are famous for loving tea and need their cup of tea even when travelling overseas. A (3) _____ tea bags were the most popular comfort item Britons pack in their suitcase when going abroad. The survey (4) _____ car rental company. It asked over 1,000 holidaymakers what essentials they need when visiting other countries. Around 55 per cent (5) _____ tea bags. Other items Britons couldn't do without are toilet paper, fluffy towels, potato chips and bacon. Britons also take their favourite biscuits, presumably (6) _____ their morning cuppa.

One of the people who (7) _____ the survey explained why he took tea bags with him. Richard Ellis, 39, said: "I always take my favourite tea bags on holiday. I (8) _____ Thailand last year. It doesn't matter where I am, the tea bags go with me – even to my parents who live (9) _____ from me but don't drink the same tea as me." Another person (10) _____ needed to take things from home. Sue Smith said: "We can buy things from home in other countries. We (11) _____ food and drinks of the culture we are visiting." The car rental company said: "It's really interesting to see what holidaymakers decide to take with them." The company added: "A fifth of people admitted they (12) _____."

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1808/180802-tea-bags.html>

1. Where do many British people take tea bags?
2. What are British people famous for loving?
3. How many people took part in the survey?
4. What kind of towels did British people take abroad with them?
5. What do British people dip into their morning cup of tea?
6. Which country does Richard Ellis take tea bags to?
7. Where does Richard Ellis take tea bags to that is close to his house?
8. What did a woman called Sue say we could buy in other countries?
9. What did a woman called Sue say we should try in other countries?
10. What fraction of people said they packed too much?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1808/180802-tea-bags.html>

- 1) Where do some British people take tea bags?
 - a) to work
 - b) business trips
 - c) restaurants
 - d) the beach
- 2) What are British people famous for loving?
 - a) lemonade
 - b) milk
 - c) coffee
 - d) tea
- 3) How many people took part in the survey?
 - a) more than 1,000
 - b) less than 1,000
 - c) about 1,000
 - d) exactly 1,000
- 4) What kind of towels did British people take abroad with them?
 - a) Union Jack towels
 - b) white towels
 - c) fluffy towels
 - d) bath towels
- 5) What do British people dip into their morning cup of tea?
 - a) toast
 - b) biscuits
 - c) honey
 - d) their finger
- 6) Which country does Richard Ellis take tea bags to?
 - a) Thailand
 - b) the USA
 - c) Russia
 - d) China
- 7) Where does Richard Ellis take tea bags to that is close to his house?
 - a) a cafe
 - b) his partner's house
 - c) his parents' house
 - d) a supermarket
- 8) What did a woman called Sue say we could buy in other countries?
 - a) things from home
 - b) tea bags
 - c) souvenirs
 - d) English mustard
- 9) What did a woman called Sue say we should try in other countries?
 - a) food and drinks
 - b) exotic fruits
 - c) shopping malls
 - d) fish markets
- 10) What fraction of people said they packed too much?
 - a) a tenth
 - b) two-thirds
 - c) a quarter
 - d) a fifth

ROLE PLAY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1808/180802-tea-bags.html>

Role A – Tea Bags

You think tea bags are the most important things to take on holiday. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their things. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): a pillow, potato chips or playing cards.

Role B – A Pillow

You think a pillow is the most important thing to take on holiday. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their things. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): tea bags, potato chips or playing cards.

Role C – Potato Chips

You think potato chips are the most important things to take on holiday. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their things. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): a pillow, tea bags or playing cards.

Role D – Playing Cards

You think playing cards are the most important things to take on holiday. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their things. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): a pillow, potato chips or tea bags.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1808/180802-tea-bags.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'tea' and 'bag'.

tea	bag

- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• half• famous• popular• 1,000• 55• morning	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• him• always• matter• home• try• fifth
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TEA BAGS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about tea bags 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.

TEA BAGS DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'tea'?
3. What do you think of tea?
4. What do you always take on holiday with you?
5. What do you think of people taking tea bags on holiday?
6. Why do people take toilet paper on holiday?
7. Why do people take potato chips with them on vacation?
8. Why do people go on holiday?
9. Where is your favourite place to go on holiday?
10. Should more people go on holiday in their own country?

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TEA BAGS DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'tea bag'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. Do you prefer tea or coffee?
15. What do like to bring back from other countries?
16. What food do you like from other countries?
17. Should people try harder to eat the local food on holiday?
18. What strange things do people take on holiday with them?
19. Why do people take too much on holiday with them?
20. What questions would you like to ask British holidaymakers?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|--------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) left | (b) leaves | (c) leaving | (d) leave |
| 2. | (a) on | (b) by | (c) at | (d) for |
| 3. | (a) by | (b) when | (c) as | (d) such |
| 4. | (a) essence | (b) ess | (c) essentials | (d) essay |
| 5. | (a) have | (b) take | (c) do | (d) get |
| 6. | (a) into | (b) at | (c) on | (d) up |
| 7. | (a) bit | (b) part | (c) write | (d) say |
| 8. | (a) matter | (b) fault | (c) problem | (d) solution |
| 9. | (a) in | (b) down | (c) on | (d) of |
| 10. | (a) wandered | (b) wondrous | (c) wondered | (d) wonderful |
| 11. | (a) realism | (b) real | (c) really | (d) reality |
| 12. | (a) pock | (b) peck | (c) puck | (d) pack |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. go on a uibensss trip
2. mafous for loving tea
3. travelling verseoas
4. when going boraad
5. what nsetsaiels they need
6. ulfffy towels

Paragraph 2

7. took part in the usvrey
8. It doesn't tamter where I am
9. Another person odwrened why
10. the tluucree we are visiting
11. It's really teersiitnng to see
12. people dmittaed they pack too much

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1808/180802-tea-bags.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () to take things from home. Sue Smith said: "We can buy things from home in other countries. We should try the
- () holidaymakers decide to take with them." The company added: "A fifth of people admitted they pack too much."
- () on a business trip. British people are famous for loving tea and need their cup
- () 1,000 holidaymakers what essentials they need when visiting other countries. Around 55 per cent
- () of tea even when travelling overseas. A survey found that tea bags were the most popular comfort
- () of them said tea bags. Other items Britons couldn't do without are toilet paper, fluffy
- () year. It doesn't matter where I am, the tea bags go with me – even to my parents who live down
- () item Britons pack in their suitcase when going abroad. The survey is from a car rental company. It asked over
- (**1**) Over half of British people take tea bags with them when they leave Britain to go on holiday or go
- () him. Richard Ellis, 39, said: "I always take my favourite tea bags on holiday. I took them to Thailand last
- () towels, potato chips and bacon. Britons also take their favourite biscuits, presumably to dip into their morning cuppa.
- () food and drinks of the culture we are visiting." The car rental company said: "It's really interesting to see what
- () One of the people who took part in the survey explained why he took tea bags with
- () the road from me but don't drink the same tea as me." Another person wondered why people needed

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. them when they bags with tea Take leave .
2. people famous are British for loving tea .
3. bags most the were popular Tea comfort item .
4. essentials need What visiting when they other countries .
5. into dip to their Presumably morning cuppa .
6. people took The in part who the survey .
7. my take I favourite always on tea holiday .
8. who My down live parents the road .
9. to needed Why take people from things home .
10. interesting It's see to really what holidaymakers decide .

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1808/180802-tea-bags.html>

Over half of British people take tea bags with *there / them* when they leave Britain to go on holiday or go *on / in* a business trip. British people are famous for loving tea and *needy / need* their cup of tea even when travelling overseas. A survey *find / found* that tea bags were the most popular comfort item Britons pack in their suitcase when *going / gone* abroad. The survey is from a car rental company. It asked *more / over* 1,000 holidaymakers what essentials they need when visiting *other / another* countries. Around 55 per cent of them said tea bags. Other items Britons couldn't *have / do* without are toilet paper, *fluffy / fluff* towels, potato chips and bacon. Britons also take their favourite biscuits, presumably to *drip / dip* into their morning cuppa.

One of the people who took *party / part* in the survey explained why he took tea bags with him. Richard Ellis, 39, said: "I always *fake / take* my favourite tea bags on holiday. I took *them / their* to Thailand last year. It doesn't matter where I *be / am*, the tea bags go with me – even to my parents who live down the road *from / for* me but don't drink the same tea as me." Another person wondered why people needed to *taken / take* things from home. Sue Smith said: "We can buy things from home *on / in* other countries. We should try the food and drinks of the *culture / couture* we are visiting." The car rental company said: "It's *real / really* interesting to see what holidaymakers decide to take with them." The company added: "A fifth of people admitted they *pack / peck* too much."

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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O v_r h_l f _f B r_t_s h p__ p l_ t_k_ t__ b_g s
w_t h t h_m w h_n t h_y l__ v_ B r_t__ n t_ g_ _n
h_l_d_y _r g_ _n _ b_s_n_s s t r_p. B r_t_s h p__ p
l__ r_ f_m__ s f_r l_v_n g t__ _n d n__ d t h__ r
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w h_n v_s_t_n g _t h_r c__ n t r__ s. A r__ n d 5 5
p_r c_n t _f t h_m s__ d t__ b_g s. O t h_r _t_m
s B r_t_n s c__ l d n' t d_ w_t h__ t _r t__ l t
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1808/180802-tea-bags.html>

over half of british people take tea bags with them when they leave britain to go on holiday or go on a business trip british people are famous for loving tea and need their cup of tea even when travelling overseas a survey found that tea bags were the most popular comfort item britons pack in their suitcase when going abroad the survey is from a car rental company it asked over 1000 holidaymakers what essentials they need when visiting other countries around 55 per cent of them said tea bags other items britons couldnt do without are toilet paper fluffy towels potato chips and bacon britons also take their favourite biscuits presumably to dip into their morning cuppa

one of the people who took part in the survey explained why he took tea bags with him richard ellis 39 said i always take my favourite tea bags on holiday i took them to thailand last year it doesnt matter where i am the tea bags go with me even to my parents who live down the road from me but dont drink the same tea as me another person wondered why people needed to take things from home sue smith said we can buy things from home in other countries we should try the food and drinks of the culture we are visiting the car rental company said its really interesting to see what holidaymakers decide to take with them the company added a fifth of people admitted they pack too much"

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. TEA BAGS: Make a poster about tea bags. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. COMFORT FOOD: Write a magazine article about not taking comfort food with us when we go to other countries. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on tea bags. Ask him/her three questions about them. Give him/her three of your opinions on them. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. c 2. e 3. d 4. a 5. f 6. g 7. b
8. k 9. h 10. i 11. n 12. m 13. j 14. l

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- a F b F c F d T e T f T g T h F

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

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|---------------|------------------|
| 1. trip | a. vacation |
| 2. famous | b. well known |
| 3. popular | c. well liked |
| 4. essentials | d. necessities |
| 5. dip | e. immerse |
| 6. took part | f. participated |
| 7. wondered | g. thought about |
| 8. buy | h. purchase |
| 9. decide | i. choose |
| 10. admitted | j. confessed |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. On holidays and business trips
2. Tea
3. Over 1,000
4. Fluffy towels
5. Biscuits
6. Thailand
7. His parents' house
8. Things from home
9. Food and drinks
10. A fifth

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

1. Take tea bags with them when they leave.
2. British people are famous for loving tea.
3. Tea bags were the most popular comfort item.
4. What essentials they need when visiting other countries.
5. Presumably to dip into their morning cuppa.
6. The people who took part in the survey.
7. I always take my favourite tea on holiday.
8. My parents who live down the road.
9. Why people needed to take things from home.
10. It's really interesting to see what holidaymakers decide.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. b 2. d 3. a 4. c 5. b 6. a 7. c 8. a 9. a 10. d

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)