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Air bridges open to allow more people to travel

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200624-air-bridges.html>

There is a new meaning for the word "air bridge". Before the coronavirus pandemic started, an air bridge was the walkway that linked an airport departure lounge to an airplane's door. Now, it also means an agreement that people can travel between two countries. Many people are also calling this a "travel bubble". Australia and New Zealand have an air bridge as both countries have successfully managed their responses to the coronavirus. The United Kingdom has also signed air bridge agreements with several other countries. The agreements mean there are no quarantine requirements for those travelling between the countries. Travellers currently need to quarantine for two weeks in the UK.

Travellers arriving in the UK must inform the government of their contact details, travel details and the address of where they will isolate for two weeks. Anyone who breaks the 14-day quarantine period will get a fine. However, the UK is trying to open up its economy and allow more people to enter the country without the 14-day quarantine. It wants to allow visitors from France, Greece, Portugal and Spain to enter the country. A British newspaper said these countries are "most advantageous" to the UK economy. The newspaper reported that the UK is also thinking about air bridges with Australia, Bermuda, the Falkland Islands, Gibraltar and Montserrat.

Sources: <https://www.reuters.com/article/us-health-coronavirus-britain-bridges/uk-pm-to-announce-deals-for-air-bridges-with-few-countries-on-june-29-telegraph-idUSKBN23P3MO>
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WARM-UPS

1. AIR BRIDGES: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about air bridges. 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?

meaning / air / bridge / coronavirus / pandemic / bubble / agreements / quarantine / travellers / contact / isolate / fine / economy / newspaper / advantageous / Australia

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

3. QUARANTINE: Students A **strongly** believe all countries should have a 14-day quarantine; Students B **strongly** believe this is unnecessary. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

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

5. COUNTRIES: Rank these with your partner. Put the best countries to visit at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Brazil
- UAE
- Canada
- Spain
- India
- China
- Kenya
- New Zealand

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|----------------|--|
| 1. meaning | a. About a disease - prevalent over a whole country or the world. |
| 2. pandemic | b. A deal between two or more people, businesses or countries that everyone says they will follow. |
| 3. linked | c. When people or animals have to stay alone to stop an infectious or contagious disease from spreading. |
| 4. agreement | d. Joined or connected with other things. |
| 5. response | e. A thing that is needed or wanted. |
| 6. requirement | f. What a word, text, concept, or action means. |
| 7. quarantine | g. A reaction or reply to something or someone. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|------------------|--|
| 8. inform | h. Facts or pieces of information about something. |
| 9. details | i. Cause a person to be alone or stay away from others. |
| 10. isolate | j. All of the financial parts, jobs, making things etc. that help a country operate. |
| 11. fine | k. Let someone do something. |
| 12. allow | l. The money you have to pay for doing something wrong or for breaking the law. |
| 13. advantageous | m. Give someone facts or information; tell. |
| 14. economy | n. Of great benefit to someone or something. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200624-air-bridges.html>

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

- a. An air bridge is a walkway that connects an airport and airplane. **T / F**
- b. A travel bubble is a way of people visiting another country. **T / F**
- c. Australia has an air bridge with New Zealand. **T / F**
- d. People do not need to quarantine when they visit the UK. **T / F**
- e. People visiting the UK must let officials know their contact details. **T / F**
- f. The UK is trying to keep visitors from Europe away. **T / F**
- g. A newspaper said countries like Greece provide no benefit to the UK. **T / F**
- h. The UK wants to build a bridge to Australia. **T / F**

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

- | | |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| 1. meaning | a. various |
| 2. linked | b. deal |
| 3. agreement | c. penalty |
| 4. several | d. beneficial |
| 5. requirements | e. definition |
| 6. inform | f. let |
| 7. isolate | g. needs |
| 8. fine | h. connected |
| 9. allow | i. quarantine |
| 10. advantageous | j. tell |

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

- | | |
|--|----------------------------|
| 1. There is a new meaning for the | a. details |
| 2. an airport departure | b. for two weeks |
| 3. both countries have successfully | c. to the UK economy |
| 4. signed air bridge agreements with | d. lounge |
| 5. Travellers currently need to quarantine | e. up its economy |
| 6. inform the government of their contact | f. several other countries |
| 7. they will isolate | g. word "air bridge" |
| 8. the UK is trying to open | h. visitors from France |
| 9. It wants to allow | i. for two weeks |
| 10. most advantageous | j. managed their responses |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200624-air-bridges.html>

There is a new (1) _____ for the word "air bridge". Before the coronavirus pandemic started, an air bridge was the walkway that linked an airport departure (2) _____ to an airplane's door. Now, it also means an (3) _____ that people can travel between two countries. Many people are also calling this a "travel bubble". Australia and New Zealand have an air bridge as (4) _____ countries have successfully managed their responses to the coronavirus. The United Kingdom has also (5) _____ air bridge agreements with (6) _____ other countries. The agreements mean there are no quarantine (7) _____ for those travelling between the countries. Travellers (8) _____ need to quarantine for two weeks in the UK.

several
both
currently
lounge
signed
meaning
requirements
agreement

Travellers arriving in the UK must (9) _____ the government of their contact details, travel (10) _____ and the address of where they will isolate for two weeks. Anyone who (11) _____ the 14-day quarantine period will get a (12) _____. However, the UK is trying to open up its economy and (13) _____ more people to enter the country without the 14-day (14) _____. It wants to allow visitors from France, Greece, Portugal and Spain to (15) _____ the country. A British newspaper said these countries are "most advantageous" to the UK economy. The newspaper (16) _____ that the UK is also thinking about air bridges with Australia, Bermuda, the Falkland Islands, Gibraltar and Montserrat.

allow
breaks
enter
fine
inform
reported
details
quarantine

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200624-air-bridges.html>

- 1) There is a new meaning for the _____
 - a. weird "air bridge"
 - b. wired "air bridge"
 - c. ward "air bridge"
 - d. word "air bridge"
- 2) Before the coronavirus pandemic started, an air bridge _____
 - a. was the walking weigh
 - b. was the work way
 - c. was the walkway
 - d. was the walk weigh
- 3) Many people are also calling this _____
 - a. a "travel bubble"
 - b. a "travel bobble"
 - c. a "travel blubber"
 - d. a "travel bevel"
- 4) as both countries have successfully managed _____
 - a. their response is
 - b. their responsive
 - c. their responses
 - d. their recompense
- 5) The agreements mean there are no quarantine requirements _____
 - a. for these travelling
 - b. for those travelling
 - c. for them travelling
 - d. for they travelling
- 6) Travellers arriving in the UK must inform the government of _____
 - a. their contract details
 - b. their context details
 - c. their content details
 - d. their contact details
- 7) travel details and the address of where they will _____ weeks
 - a. isolate four two
 - b. isolate forty-two
 - c. isolate for two
 - d. isolate fort true
- 8) Anyone who breaks the 14-day quarantine period _____
 - a. will get a find
 - b. will get a fin
 - c. will get a fire
 - d. will get a fine
- 9) However, the UK is trying to open _____
 - a. up its economy
 - b. ups its economy
 - c. upped its economy
 - d. upper its economy
- 10) A British newspaper said these countries are " _____ "
 - a. "most advantageous"
 - b. "must advantageous"
 - c. "mist advantageous"
 - d. "mast advantageous"

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200624-air-bridges.html>

There is a new meaning (1) _____ "air bridge". Before the coronavirus pandemic started, an air bridge was the (2) _____ an airport departure lounge to an airplane's door. Now, it also means an agreement that people can travel between two countries. Many people are (3) _____ a "travel bubble". Australia and New Zealand have an air bridge as both countries have successfully managed (4) _____ the coronavirus. The United Kingdom has also signed air bridge agreements with (5) _____. The agreements mean there are no quarantine requirements for those travelling between the countries. Travellers currently (6) _____ for two weeks in the UK.

Travellers arriving in the UK (7) _____ government of their contact details, travel details and the (8) _____ they will isolate for two weeks. Anyone who breaks the 14-day quarantine period will get a fine. However, the UK is trying (9) _____ its economy and allow more people to enter the country without the 14-day quarantine. It wants (10) _____ from France, Greece, Portugal and Spain to enter the country. A British newspaper said these countries (11) _____ to the UK economy. The newspaper reported that the UK (12) _____ about air bridges with Australia, Bermuda, the Falkland Islands, Gibraltar and Montserrat.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200624-air-bridges.html>

1. What is the older meaning of "air bridge" mentioned in the article?
2. What is another name for "air bridge"?
3. Which two countries have formed an air bridge?
4. How many countries has the UK signed air bridge agreements with?
5. For how long do visitors to the UK have to quarantine?
6. To whom do travellers to the UK have to tell their contact details?
7. What did the article say the UK is trying to open up?
8. What will people get if they break quarantine in the UK?
9. What did a newspaper say Greece was to the UK economy?
10. What islands is the UK thinking of creating an air bridge to?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200624-air-bridges.html>

- 1) What is the older meaning of "air bridge" mentioned in the article?
 - a) a road bridge
 - b) a travelator
 - c) a walkway
 - d) heaven
- 2) What is another name for "air bridge"?
 - a) travel bubble
 - b) sky tunnel
 - c) fly zone
 - d) safe clouds
- 3) Which two countries have formed an air bridge?
 - a) Canada and the USA
 - b) Ireland and the UK
 - c) Japan and Korea
 - d) Australia and New Zealand
- 4) How many countries has the UK signed air bridge agreements with?
 - a) seven
 - b) several
 - c) numerous
 - d) a fair few
- 5) For how long do visitors to the UK have to quarantine?
 - a) 72 hours
 - b) a week
 - c) 14 days
 - d) 10 days
- 6) To whom do travellers to the UK have to tell their contact details?
 - a) the police
 - b) the government
 - c) their family
 - d) hotels
- 7) What did the article say the UK is trying to open up?
 - a) more roads
 - b) the world
 - c) more shops
 - d) its economy
- 8) What will people get if they break quarantine in the UK?
 - a) a headache
 - b) a fine
 - c) a visit from the police
 - d) a warning e-mail
- 9) What did a newspaper say Greece was to the UK economy?
 - a) most advantageous
 - b) not far
 - c) part of its history
 - d) a great friend
- 10) What islands is the UK thinking of creating an air bridge to?
 - a) some islands in Spain
 - b) Caribbean islands
 - c) South Pacific islands
 - d) the Falkland Islands

ROLE PLAY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200624-air-bridges.html>

Role A – Brazil

You think Brazil is the best country to visit. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their countries. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): India, Kenya or China.

Role B – India

You think India is the best country to visit. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their countries. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): Brazil, Kenya or China.

Role C – Kenya

You think Kenya is the best country to visit. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their countries. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): India, Brazil or China.

Role D – China

You think China is the best country to visit. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their countries. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): India, Kenya or Brazil.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200624-air-bridges.html>

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

air	bridge
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- 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">• new• linked• means• both• signed• currently	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• inform• breaks• open• without• most• thinking
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AIR BRIDGES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about air bridges 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.

AIR BRIDGES 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 'air'?
3. What do you think of travelling during coronavirus?
4. Do you think it is better to travel in your own country?
5. Which countries would you most like to visit?
6. How successful is your country at managing coronavirus?
7. What do you think of a 14-day quarantine?
8. What do you think of people from other countries visiting your country?
9. How would you feel about flying again?
10. What advice do you have for your government about air travel?

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AIR BRIDGES 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 'bridge'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What should happen to people who break quarantine?
15. Do you think there should be more or less international travel?
16. What's the best way to stay clear of coronavirus?
17. What damage has coronavirus done to your country's economy?
18. Which countries are most advantageous to your country?
19. When will the world be back to normal?
20. What questions would you like to ask coronavirus doctors?

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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Travellers arriving in the UK must (7) _____ the government of their contact details, travel details and the address of where they will isolate for two weeks. Anyone who breaks the 14-day quarantine period will get a (8) _____. However, the UK is trying to open (9) _____ its economy and allow more people to enter the country without the 14-day quarantine. It wants to (10) _____ visitors from France, Greece, Portugal and Spain to enter the country. A British newspaper said these countries are "(11) _____ advantageous" to the UK economy. The newspaper reported that the UK is also (12) _____ about air bridges with Australia, Bermuda, the Falkland Islands, Gibraltar and Montserrat.

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

- | | | | | |
|-----|---------------|------------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1. | (a) looked | (b) jinxed | (c) linked | (d) lucked |
| 2. | (a) means | (b) meaning | (c) meant | (d) meanie |
| 3. | (a) both | (b) every | (c) whole | (d) once |
| 4. | (a) signed | (b) raised | (c) binned | (d) asked |
| 5. | (a) necessity | (b) requirements | (c) viruses | (d) vaccines |
| 6. | (a) stay | (b) travel | (c) lose | (d) need |
| 7. | (a) conform | (b) reform | (c) inform | (d) form |
| 8. | (a) well | (b) good | (c) OK | (d) fine |
| 9. | (a) up | (b) in | (c) on | (d) down |
| 10. | (a) allow | (b) allowance | (c) allowed | (d) allows |
| 11. | (a) must | (b) most | (c) vast | (d) just |
| 12. | (a) thinks | (b) thought | (c) thinking | (d) think |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. Before the coronavirus pdaincem started
2. an reneemtag that people can travel
3. managed their sorpensse to the coronavirus
4. with vreslae other countries
5. ertqmriusene for those travelling
6. Travellers utcrnyler need to

Paragraph 2

7. their contact aildtes
8. ostlaie for two weeks
9. the 14-day qtnreainau period
10. allow isiotsvr from France
11. open up its yceonom
12. most daonvtgeuasa to the UK

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200624-air-bridges.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () calling this a "travel bubble". Australia and New Zealand have an air bridge as both countries have successfully
- () quarantine. It wants to allow visitors from France, Greece, Portugal and Spain to
- () managed their responses to the coronavirus. The United Kingdom has also signed air bridge agreements with several other
- () address of where they will isolate for two weeks. Anyone who breaks the 14-day quarantine period will get a
- () fine. However, the UK is trying to open up its economy and allow more people to enter the country without the 14-day
- () countries. The agreements mean there are no quarantine requirements for those travelling
- () was the walkway that linked an airport departure lounge to an airplane's door. Now, it also
- () between the countries. Travellers currently need to quarantine for two weeks in the UK.
- () Travellers arriving in the UK must inform the government of their contact details, travel details and the
- () means an agreement that people can travel between two countries. Many people are also
- (**1**) There is a new meaning for the word "air bridge". Before the coronavirus pandemic started, an air bridge
- () enter the country. A British newspaper said these countries are "most advantageous"
- () to the UK economy. The newspaper reported that the UK is also thinking
- () about air bridges with Australia, Bermuda, the Falkland Islands, Gibraltar and Montserrat.

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200624-air-bridges.html>

1. the new A for "air word meaning bridge" .
2. have to successfully managed Countries coronavirus . responses their
3. other countries . agreements several Signed with bridge air
4. mean no are there requirements . agreements The quarantine
5. two weeks . currently Travellers for need to quarantine
6. contact government details . the Inform their of
7. where they address The will of isolate .
8. economy . open The UK is its trying to
9. the the country quarantine . 14-day Enter without
10. is UK about air bridges also thinking The

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200624-air-bridges.html>

There is a *new / news* meaning for the word "air bridge". Before the coronavirus pandemic *stated / started*, an air bridge was the walkway that linked an airport departure *lounge / lunge* to an airplane's door. Now, it also means an *agree / agreement* that people can travel between two countries. Many people are also calling this a "travel *bubble / bobble*". Australia and New Zealand have an air bridge as *both / bother* countries have successfully managed their *respects / responses* to the coronavirus. The United Kingdom has also *singed / signed* air bridge agreements with several other countries. The agreements mean there are *no / not* quarantine requirements for those travelling between the countries. Travellers currently *needy / need* to quarantine for two weeks in the UK.

Travellers *arrival / arriving* in the UK must inform the government of their contact details, travel *retails / details* and the *redress / address* of where they will isolate for two weeks. Anyone who breaks the 14-day quarantine period will get a *fine / well*. However, the UK is trying to open *down / up* its economy and allow more people *to / for* enter the country without the 14-day quarantine. It wants *that / to* allow visitors from France, Greece, Portugal and Spain *for / to* enter the country. A British newspaper said these countries are "most advantageous" *to / at* the UK economy. The newspaper reported that the UK is also thinking *roughly / about* air bridges with Australia, Bermuda, the Falkland Islands, Gibraltar and Montserrat.

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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travellers arriving in the uk must inform the government of their contact details travel details and the address of where they will isolate for two weeks anyone who breaks the 14day quarantine period will get a fine however the uk is trying to open up its economy and allow more people to enter the country without the 14day quarantine it wants to allow visitors from france greece portugal and spain to enter the country a british newspaper said these countries are most advantageous to the uk economy the newspaper reported that the uk is also thinking about air bridges with australia bermuda the falkland islands gibraltar and montserrat

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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There is a new meaning for the word "airbridge". Before the coronavirus pandemic started, an airbridge was the walkway that linked an airport departure lounge to an airplane's door. Now, it also means an agreement that people can travel between two countries. Many people are also calling this a "travel bubble". Australia and New Zealand have an airbridge as both countries have successfully managed their responses to the coronavirus. The United Kingdom has also signed airbridge agreements with several other countries. The agreements mean there are no quarantine requirements for those travelling between the countries. Travellers currently need to quarantine for two weeks in the UK. Travellers arriving in the UK must inform the government of their contact details, travel details and the address of where they will isolate for two weeks. Anyone who breaks the 14-day quarantine period will get a fine. However, the UK is trying to open up its economy and allow more people to enter the country without the 14-day quarantine. It wants to allow visitors from France, Greece, Portugal and Spain to enter the country. A British newspaper said these countries are "most advantageous" to the UK economy. The newspaper reported that the UK is also thinking about airbridges with Australia, Bermuda, the Falkland Islands, Gibraltar and Montserrat.

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. AIR BRIDGES: Make a poster about air bridges. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL: Write a magazine article about stopping all international travel until the pandemic is over. 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 air bridges. 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. f 2. a 3. d 4. b 5. g 6. e 7. c
8. m 9. h 10. i 11. l 12. k 13. n 14. j

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

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

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. e	2. h	3. b	4. a	5. g
6. j	7. i	8. c	9. f	10. d

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. A walkway
2. Travel bubble
3. Australia and New Zealand
4. Several
5. Fourteen days
6. The government
7. Its economy
8. A fine
9. Most advantageous
10. The Falkland Islands

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

1. A new meaning for the word "air bridge".
2. Countries have successfully managed their responses to coronavirus.
3. Signed air bridge agreements with several other countries.
4. The agreements mean there are no quarantine requirements.
5. Travellers currently need to quarantine for two weeks.
6. Inform the government of their contact details.
7. The address of where they will isolate.
8. The UK is trying to open its economy.
9. Enter the country without the 14-day quarantine.
10. The UK is also thinking about air bridges

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. c 2. a 3. d 4. b 5. c 6. d 7. b 8. d 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 ;-)