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Level 1 – 10th July 2025

People from 74 nations can now enter China visa free

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

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THE READING

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People from 74 countries can now visit China without a visa. They can stay for up to 30 days. Citizens from another 54 countries can stay in-transit for 10 days. China is slowly increasing the number of visa-free countries. It wants to grow its tourism industry. It started allowing visitors from more countries in 2023. It has added almost every European country and countries from South America, Asia, and the Middle East.

There are still many more Chinese tourists in China than international tourists. China is preparing for a big increase in the overseas travellers. Tour companies need more guides and staff. An English-speaking tour guide said: "I'm flooded with tours, and I'm struggling to keep up." He started a new business to train new tour guides. A luxury tour company said: "The new visa policies are 100 per cent beneficial to us." She said business was up.

Sources: <https://apnews.com/article/china-visa-free-entry-transit-tourism-48ff1727c87e11becd18e6d1a113f49d>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. People from | a. industry |
| 2. visit China without | b. up to 30 days |
| 3. They can stay for | c. East |
| 4. stay in- | d. 74 countries |
| 5. China is slowly increasing | e. country |
| 6. It wants to grow its tourism | f. the number |
| 7. almost every European | g. transit for 10 days |
| 8. the Middle | h. a visa |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. There are still many more | a. need more guides |
| 2. international | b. was up |
| 3. China is preparing for a big | c. tourists |
| 4. Tour companies | d. increase |
| 5. An English-speaking | e. up |
| 6. I'm flooded | f. Chinese tourists |
| 7. I'm struggling to keep | g. with tours |
| 8. She said business | h. tour guide |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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People from 74 countries (1) _____ China without a visa. They can (2) _____ to 30 days. Citizens from another 54 countries can stay in-transit for 10 days. China (3) _____ the number of visa-free countries. It wants to (4) _____ industry. It started allowing visitors from more countries in 2023. It (5) _____ every European country and countries from South America, Asia, and (6) _____.

There are (7) _____ Chinese tourists in China than international tourists. China (8) _____ a big increase in the overseas travellers. Tour companies need more (9) _____. An English-speaking tour guide said: "I'm (10) _____, and I'm struggling to keep up." He started a new business (11) _____ tour guides. A luxury tour company said: "The new visa policies are 100 per cent (12) _____." She said business was up.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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TRAVEL VISAS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about travel visas 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) _____

WRITING

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Write about **travel visas** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.

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