

discussion bank

Discuss the following quotes, questions, and statements with your teacher.

Holidays and travel

“There are only two emotions in a plane: boredom and terror.”

Orson Welles

- 1 Is this picture your idea of a perfect holiday location?
- 2 How long does it take you to forget work when you go on holiday?
- 3 If you could take a six-month career break, describe where you would go and what you would do.
- 4 Is the price of ‘business class’ travel really worth paying?
- 5 What’s the traffic like at rush hour in your town or city?
- 6 Given the choice, would you prefer to travel to work by bus, train, car, or on foot?
- 7 Is it essential to own a car if you have a family?



Money, wealth, and poverty

“30,000 children die each day due to poverty.”

UNICEF

- 1 How soon will paper money be a thing of the past?
- 2 Is a single world currency an economic fantasy?
- 3 Do you agree that high earners should pay high taxes?
- 4 Does being in debt bother your generation less than your parents’ generation?
- 5 Which worldwide charities do you think are doing the best work?
- 6 Half the world’s population live on two dollars a day. What would that amount buy in your country?
- 7 Can you imagine your life without clean water or sanitation?

