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- I will do (or did) conversations before writing.
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## Conversation phrases

### Instructions

If you will do (or did) conversations before writing, then during your writing time write phrases that you wanted to say -- that is, phrases that you should have said.

If you will do (or did) writing before conversations, then during your writing time write phrases that you plan to say.

### A hotel clerk and a guest are talking on the telephone.

Clerk: Ask the guest when they are checking in and out. ("They" here means "he or she or more than one person".)

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Guest: Tell the clerk when you are checking in and out. You may say relative dates (e.g., "tomorrow", "next Tuesday") or absolute dates (e.g., "November 3rd").

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Clerk: Ask the guest how many rooms they need.

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Guest: Tell the clerk how many rooms you need.

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Clerk: Tell the guest that you have rooms. Also tell them the price per night. (You make up the answer.)

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Guest: Ask the clerk whether the rooms come with meals.

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Clerk: Tell the guest what meals the rooms come with. (You make up the answer.)

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Clerk: Tell the guest what they can enjoy doing at or near the hotel. (You make up the answer.)

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## Reading and writing

### Instructions

During your writing time, read the following text and write your responses. Your objective is to understand the text, and state your opinion. You may use any book, tool, or device. You may ask friends for help.

### How to Get Better Deals at Hotels

by Alexis Lawrence, Demand Media

**Step 1** Sign up for the hotel's reward program. Hotel reward programs are free and, when enrolled, members earn points for each hotel stay. When enough points are accumulated, members can cash those points in for free rooms. Members of reward programs who stay with the hotel chain regularly are often also given perks, such as room upgrades, as well.

**Step 2** Check with your company. Large, nationally known companies often get discounts through some hotel chains. These discounts are sometimes extended to employees. If the company that you work for is known around the world, you may even be able to get a discount rate for international hotels.

**Step 3** Look for hotel deals online. Several websites offer preferred rates on hotel rooms, including Travelzoo and Expedia. Call the hotel and ask management if it can match the rate on the discount site or even give you a slightly better deal.

**Step 4** Try for perks instead of a lower room rate if the hotel is hesitant to lower the rate. Even if the room rate is fixed, if the hotel really wants to fill the room, you may be able to talk management into a free room upgrade or free breakfast, making the room a better deal for the money.

**Step 5** Make your trip a package deal. Purchasing or reserving more than one service at a time for your trip, such as airline tickets, airfare and a rental car, generally results in discounted rates, which can be substantial. Many online travel-booking sites and travel agents offer this type of package booking. Other common packages include hotels plus attraction tickets. These are generally available when traveling to a location with a major tourist attraction, such as Walt Disney World.

**Step 6** Stay in the off-season. Summer is the high season for tourism virtually everywhere except for places that sport winter-specific activities, such as ski resorts. Fall, spring and the rest of the winter, on the other hand, are off-season in most locations. Hotel rooms are generally a fraction of the cost during the off-season than during the peak tourist season.

*This text is based on USA Today's website <http://traveltips.usatoday.com/better-deals-hotels-14347.html>*

Where can Hokudai students ask for hotel deals?

Hokudai students can ask

When is a good time to travel for Hokudai students? Why?

## Video

### Instructions

Watch the video, and answer questions at any time during the video, or during your writing time.

Circle the correct answer or answers. Some questions have more than one correct answer.

Dublin is Ireland's:

1. capital city
2. largest city
3. most Irish city
4. safest city

Later in the video Rick Steves will explain:

1. advanced technology
2. ancient treasures
3. beer and pubs
4. traditional music

Dublin became wealthy and powerful during:

1. the 7th century
2. the 11th century
3. the 18th century
4. the 19th century

In 1920, Ireland became:

1. 32 separate counties
2. a British colony
3. a peaceful island
4. an independent nation

Answer the questions with your own words or phrases that describe the content of the video.

What is Grafton Street in Dublin?

What is St. Stephen's Green?

Why do doors of Georgian houses surrounding St. Stephen's Green have many colors?

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