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Air France plane in bomb scare

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THE READING

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There was a bomb scare on an Air France plane. It was flying from Mauritius to Paris. A passenger found something strange in a toilet. It had a kitchen timer. The passenger told the pilot and he made an emergency landing in Kenya. Air France said the timer was harmless and caused a "false alarm". It said someone put it in the toilet during the flight. It added: "The object was not capable of creating an explosion or damaging a plane."

Some of the passengers flew to Paris on other planes. Police are questioning five others. There were 459 passengers and 14 crew members on the plane. The crew told passengers that the plane had to land because of a technical problem. A passenger said: "The plane just went down, slowly...so we just realised probably something was wrong." He added: "The crew of Air France were just great, just wonderful. They kept everybody calm and really quiet."

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VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. It was flying | a. during the flight |
| 2. a kitchen | b. from Mauritius to Paris |
| 3. made an emergency | c. plane |
| 4. the timer was | d. timer |
| 5. false | e. an explosion |
| 6. someone put it in the toilet | f. landing |
| 7. creating | g. alarm |
| 8. damaging a | h. harmless |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Some of the passengers | a. questioning five others |
| 2. Police are | b. just great |
| 3. There were | c. problem |
| 4. crew | d. calm |
| 5. technical | e. flew to Paris |
| 6. we just | f. members |
| 7. The crew of Air France were | g. realised |
| 8. They kept everybody | h. 459 passengers |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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There (1) _____ on an Air France plane. It was flying from Mauritius to Paris. A passenger found something (2) _____. It had a kitchen timer. The passenger told the pilot and he made an (3) _____ in Kenya. Air France said the timer (4) _____ and caused a "false alarm". It said someone (5) _____ toilet during the flight. It added: "The object (6) _____ of creating an explosion or damaging a plane."

Some of the passengers flew to Paris (7) _____. Police (8) _____ others. There were 459 passengers and 14 crew members (9) _____. The crew told passengers that the plane had to land because of a (10) _____. A passenger said: "The plane just went down, slowly...(11) _____ realised probably something was wrong." He added: "The crew of Air France were just great, just wonderful. They kept (12) _____ and really quiet."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)

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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)

g)

h)

WRITING

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Write about **flying** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner's paper.
