



Unit 8 Up in the air

Practice

1. **PAIRS.** Practice the conversation. Then switch roles.

A: How was your trip to (1) Australia? Did you have a lot of fun?

B: Well, yes and no. As usual, I (2) got to the airport late, so I was quite nervous.

A: So what happened?

B: By the time I reached the gate, (3) the plane had already left.

A: Oh, man! So (4) you missed your flight?

B: Well, (5) the plane had left the gate, but it hadn't taken off yet.

A: So, what did you do?

B: (6) I had to catch another flight. But the first plane never took off. It had a mechanical problem.

A: Lucky you!

Substitute

2. **PAIRS.** Use the substitutions in the box to create a new conversation. Then practice the conversation.

For example,

A: How was your trip to Chicago? Did you have a lot of fun?

B: Well, yes and no. As usual, I went to the wrong terminal.

Student A	Student B
(1) Chicago	(2) went to the wrong terminal
(4) they didn't have any seats available	(3) they had already boarded the people from the waiting list
	(5) they had filled all the seats, except the ones in first class
	(6) Since I had gotten there before they closed the gate, they put me in first class!

Personalize

3. **PAIRS.** Role-play the conversation again. Use your own words for the underlined parts. Then switch roles.