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Mastery of language is of paramount importance to children's learning and whole person development. In the 2015/16 school year, funded by the Language Fund, the Standing Committee on Language Education and Research (SCOLAR) launched the "Scheme on Early Language and Literacy Development in Chinese and English Language of Young Children" with a view to enhancing the capability of kindergarten principals and teachers to provide quality Chinese language learning/teaching and English language exposure for young children, and exploring as well as developing, in collaboration with schools, effective Chinese and English language teaching strategies at the early childhood level in Hong Kong through strengthening support in early language education to kindergartens of different background.

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The following language items can be used by the teacher/children when talking about the picture:

a. To identify and name people or objects in the picture

- aeroplane/airplane/plane
- aircrew/cabin crew
- airport security guard
- baggage/luggage/ suitcase
- bathroom/restroom/toilet/ washroom/water closet
- bench
- boarding pass
- boutique
- business man
- carry-on/hand baggage/ hand luggage
- cart/trolley
- cell phone/mobile phone
- check-in counter/ service desk

- city
- clock
- country
- departure gate
- departure hall/ terminal
- departure time
- destination
- economy class
- engine escalator
- family
- fast food restaurant
- flight attendant/ steward/stewardess
- flight information
- flight information board

- flight number
- neck pillow
- online check-in
- online check-in machine
- passenger
- passport
- pilot
- restaurant
- scarf
- shoulder bag
- tourist/traveler
- toy shop/store travelling document
- uniform
- wing Zone A
- b. To describe people or objects in the picture
- the boy with (a purple cap)
- the people at Zone A
- The flight attendants wear a green uniform with a yellow scarf.
- The girl is (scared/worried).
- The lady looks (cheerful/helpful).
- The line/queue is long.

- The shops are closed.
- There are two online check-in machines.
- There are many (travelers) at the airport.
- There is a neck pillow on the (man)'s neck.

To describe actions of people or events in the picture

- chatting with/talking to each other
- checking in at the check-in counter
- checking travelling documents
- clinging onto the counter
- crying for mum
- going down the escalator
- helping passengers to do online check-in •
- (lining up/queuing up) for departure
- (lining up/queuing up) orderly
- looking for the check-in counter
- offering (assistance/help)
- picking up the passport
- pushing the trolley
- talking on the phone
- The man has dropped his passport.
- The plane is taking off.

d. To imagine other people, objects or events that might relate to the picture

- Do not run around at the airport.
- I have been to (Canada).
- I have been to the airport.
- I like (plane meals).
- I like to sit (by the aisle/by the window/in the middle).
- I like travelling.
- I want to have a trip to (Japan).
- I watched a movie on the plane.
- I went to (Singapore) with my (parents).
- My (uncle) lives in (Taipei).
- * The items listed above are grouped according to their nature and use.
- * Words in brackets may vary, depending on the contexts.
- * They are only for teachers' reference. They are neither prescriptive nor exhaustive.