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LESSON 14. TRAVEL PHRASAL VERBS

Match the following travel phrasal verbs to their meanings:

Phrasal verb	Meaning
1. to drop somebody off / to drop off somebody	A. to start a journey
2. to check in	B. when a plane arrives at an airport
3. to check out	C. to return to a place
4. to pick up somebody/ to pick somebody up	D. to increase speed
5. to set out	E. to register at a hotel / an airport
6. to take off	F. to climb on board
7. to get in	G. to explore what is near you, in your area
8. to get away	H. to take someone to a place and leave them there
9. to get on	I. to leave and pay for your stay at a hotel
10. to speed up	J. to think of a future event with pleasure
11. to look around	K. to return to a place
12. to hurry up	L. to go and fetch someone from a place and take them somewhere else
13. to go back	M. to leave to go somewhere for a break or holiday
14. to see off somebody / to see somebody off	N. to rush and not waste time
15. to look forward to	O. when a plane leaves and begins to fly

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Now choose one of the phrasal verbs (1-15) above to complete the text. Use the correct form of the verbs.

The day I left for the USA my family (1) _____. We had breakfast at the airport but we had to (2) _____ so that I wouldn't miss my flight. It was a teary goodbye, but I was (3) _____ new experiences in the USA. After I (4) _____ the plane I made myself comfortable and sent a few last minute goodbye text messages. I thought of how much I wanted this holiday and that I just needed to (5) _____ from it all. A short while later the pilot announced that all electronic devices were to be switched off, for we were preparing to (6) _____. As the plane was (7) _____ along the runway I sat back and took pleasure in the brute force the plane was creating to lift itself up off the ground.

When our plane (8) _____ to JFK Airport in New York there was already a taxi waiting to (9) _____. The taxi (10) _____ at the Holiday Inn where I would meet up with my friends. After I (11) _____ to the hotel we all went to Times Square, where we (12) _____ the district for the rest of the day. The next day we got up very early in the morning and did some sightseeing. That night we were exhausted and went to bed early. The next morning, we (13) _____ after breakfast, rented a car and (14) _____ on a cross-country road trip. It would be another 3 months before I would (15) _____ home.