

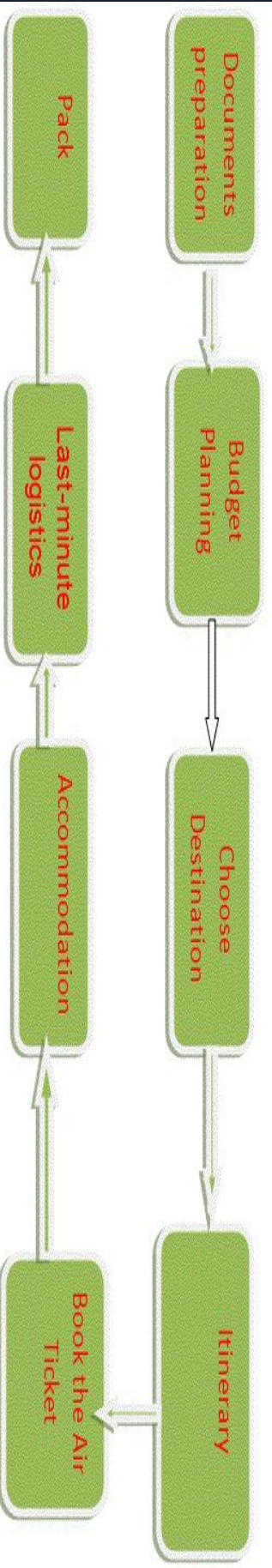


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How to Plan for a Trip

Brief explanation of objective and audience

- Presentation meant for people planning for a vacation.
- The idea of a vacation improves the mood.
- But it becomes a nightmare to prepare for one.
- Here is simple procedural flow of how to successfully plan for a trip.



1. Get Your Documents in Order

- Don't have a passport? Apply for one weeks or months to the date of the trip.
- Already have a passport? Check its expiration date.
- If the trip is outside country, get yourself a visa.
- Have a valid international driving license in case you will need to drive.



2. Establish a Budget

- Establish a budget as early as possible.
- Even before you know your destination, travel dates, or itinerary.
- Some destinations are generally cheaper than others.
- Travel in the off season.
- pick budget accommodations, plan a shorter trip.



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3. Pick a Destination

- Pick a particular site that's on your must see.
- Pick someplace timely.
- Visit countries' tourism websites and search for seasonal events like festivals or local holidays.
- Don't forget to check the weather before you decide on your destination.

4. Create a rough itinerary

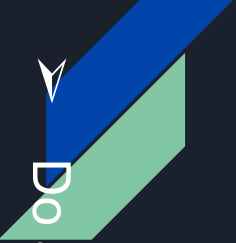
- Sketch out a day-by-day itinerary of your trip.
- Research sites and cities you really want to explore.
- Figure out which ones you have the time and budget to get to.

5. Book your Airfare

- Since it is the most expensive part of the trip, book your ticket early enough.
- This will allow you to be more flexible with your dates.



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6. Book your accommodations

- Do a bit of research and you could discover some funky lodging.
- Shop around on multiple hotel sites to make sure you're getting the best deal.
- Read reviews from past guests to see what the experience is like.

7. Tackle last-minute logistics

- A few weeks to the trip, start taking care of a number of key logistics
- Call your credit card companies to let them know you'll be traveling abroad.
- Research the locations of ATMs in your destination.

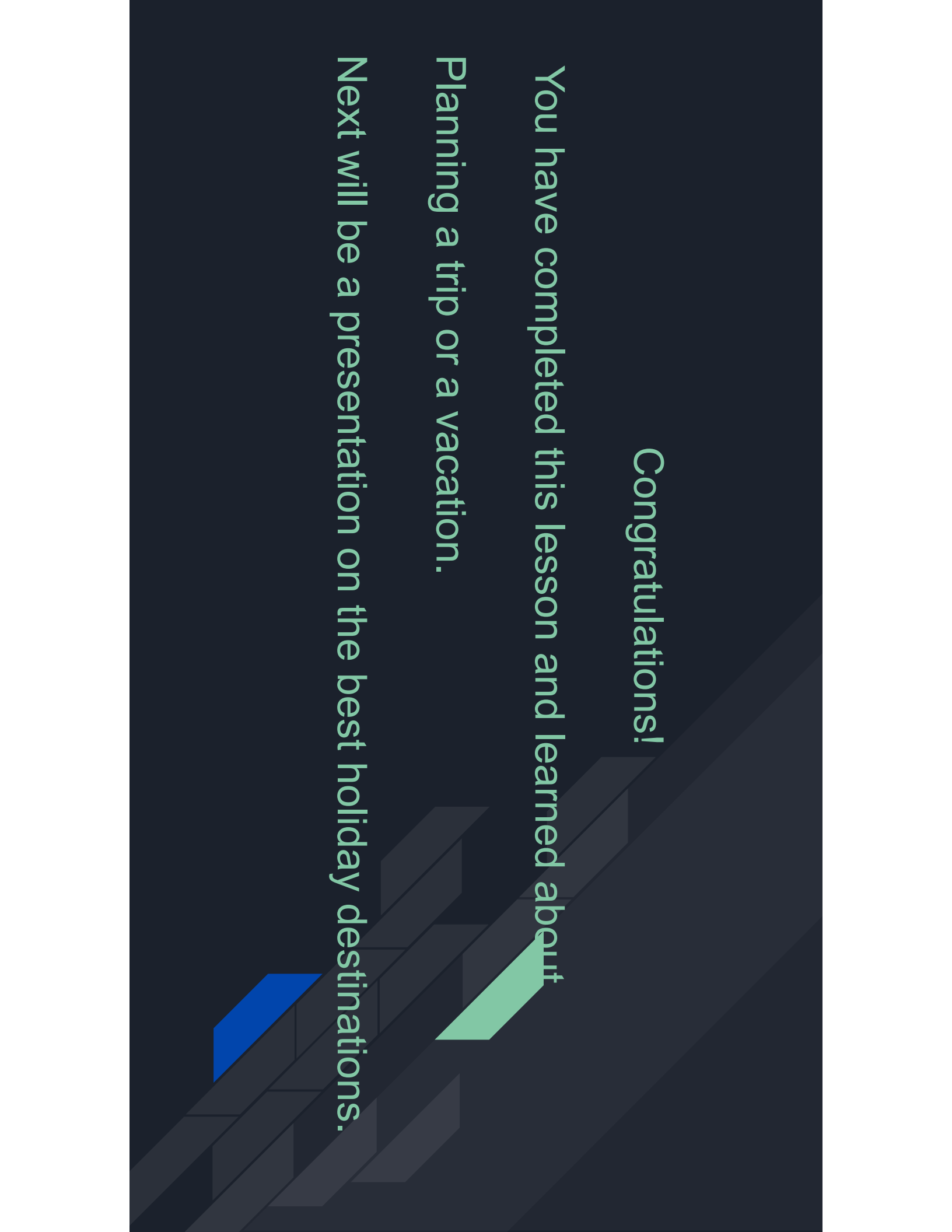
8. Pack

- Start thinking about what you'll need to bring at least a week before you leave.
- Make a packing list.
- Packing earlier reduces the chances of forgetting something.



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Congratulations!

You have completed this lesson and learned about
Planning a trip or a vacation.

Next will be a presentation on the best holiday destinations.



Resources

- <https://www.smartertravel.com/planning-trip-europe-10-step-guide/>
- <https://www.nomadicmatt.com/travel-blogs/planning-a-trip/>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zI5CagXlQ0w&t=15s>
- <https://www.yelp.com/biz/edventure-nigeria-passport-and-visa-atlanta>