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**Level 2 – 13th March 2025**

## **Korean Air wins best airline of the year award**

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**Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.**

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2503/250313-worlds-best-airlines-2.html>

Many airlines want to be the best. The website AirlineRatings.com has announced its top airline for 2025. The site gives reviews and information on airlines around the world. It puts together the World's Best Airlines Awards. This year's winner is Korean Air. The website wrote: "Korean Air won...for its exceptional focus on passenger comfort, particularly in economy class." The site added: "Korean Air's thoughtful touches, such as slippers and generous meal portions on long-haul flights, enhanced its appeal." The reviewers praised the airline for its "modern, fuel-efficient aircraft".

There were also winners in other categories. Qatar Airways won the best business class award. This was because it has a cabin with "fully enclosed private suites with sliding doors, offering passengers complete privacy". The best first-class company was Singapore Airlines. The reviewers said the airline "redefined luxury". In addition, Singapore's Changi Airport won the world's best airport award. The top low-cost airline for 2025 was AirAsia. In this category, the reviewers looked at meals, drinks and snacks, Wi-Fi, in-flight entertainment, and safety standards.

Sources: <https://www.forbes.com/sites/laurabegleybloom/2025/02/10/the-best-airlines-in-2025-according-to-a-new-travel-ratings-report/>  
<https://www.airlineratings.com/articles/worlds-best-airlines-for-2025>  
<https://businesstravelerusa.com/news/world-best-airlines-2025/>

# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2503/250313-worlds-best-airlines-2.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                             |                       |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Many airlines want       | a. airline for 2025   |
| 2. announced its top        | b. efficient aircraft |
| 3. The site gives reviews   | c. the world          |
| 4. airlines around          | d. class              |
| 5. its exceptional focus on | e. haul flights       |
| 6. in economy               | f. to be the best     |
| 7. on long-                 | g. passenger comfort  |
| 8. its modern, fuel-        | h. and information    |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |  |                        |
|--|------------------------|
| 1. There were also winners             | a. luxury              |
| 2. Qatar Airways won the best business | b. suites              |
| 3. a cabin with fully enclosed private | c. standards           |
| 4. offering passengers complete        | d. class award         |
| 5. redefined                           | e. cost airline        |
| 6. the world's best                    | f. in other categories |
| 7. The top low-                        | g. airport award       |
| 8. safety                              | h. privacy             |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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There were also winners (7) \_\_\_\_\_. Qatar Airways won the best (8) \_\_\_\_\_. This was because it has a cabin with "fully enclosed private suites (9) \_\_\_\_\_, offering passengers complete privacy". The best first-class company was Singapore Airlines. The (10) \_\_\_\_\_ airline "redefined luxury". In addition, Singapore's Changi Airport won the world's best airport award. The top (11) \_\_\_\_\_ for 2025 was AirAsia. In this category, the reviewers looked at meals, drinks and snacks, Wi-Fi, in-flight entertainment, (12) \_\_\_\_\_.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# AIRLINES SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2503/250313-worlds-best-airlines-2.html>

Write five GOOD questions about airlines in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

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

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

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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) \_\_\_\_\_

