

battery (n)  
block (v)  
break down (phr v)  
cancel (v)  
captain (n)  
connection (n)

crash (n)  
crew (n)  
delay (n/v)  
emergency (n)  
float (v)

helicopter (n)  
port (n)  
rescue (v)  
reservation (n)  
sink (v)

**Emergency**

Emergency can be used as an adjective before a noun:

*emergency services*  
*emergency doors*

**A Complete the sentences using words from the box.**

battery blocking broke down cancelled connection crash  
delayed emergency port reservation sank

- 1 My dad's car \_\_\_\_\_ on the way to work. It had a flat \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 Our first flight was \_\_\_\_\_, so we missed our \_\_\_\_\_. We had to make a \_\_\_\_\_ for the following day.
- 3 The ship hit an iceberg and \_\_\_\_\_ before it could reach the \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 There was an awful \_\_\_\_\_ on the motorway this evening. Several ambulances responded to the \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 All the trains are \_\_\_\_\_ because a tree has fallen and is \_\_\_\_\_ the line.

ORIGIN	FLIGHT	GATE	REMARKS
PARIS	LH543	09	DELAYE
NEW YORK	AA978	28	CANCEL
TORONTO	AC902	11	CANCEL
MADRID	IB342	15	CANCEL
BEIJING	CX654	02	CANCEL
DUSTON	AA384	08	CANCEL

**B Correct the words in *italics*.**

- 1 I left the lights of my car on all night, so the *engine* is dead. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 We arrived terribly late because our car *stopped* on the way to the hotel. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Our first flight lands two hours before the second one takes off, so we should have time for our *change*. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Our flight has been *closed* because of the bad weather. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 The *workers* were the last people to leave the plane. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 The *leader* of the ship made an announcement. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 Her family was waiting for her when her ship arrived at the *station*. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 The passengers were rescued by air; they were lifted to safety by *flying ambulances*. \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 This canoe won't *swim* because it's got a hole in it. \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 The firefighters *pulled* everyone from the burning building. \_\_\_\_\_
- 11 The airline sent us an email to confirm our *tickets*. \_\_\_\_\_

**C Complete the text. Use one word from the vocabulary list at the top of the page for each space. Use the correct form of the words.**

US Airways Flight 1549 took off from New York's LaGuardia Airport on 15 January 2009 with a slight <sup>1</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ of around 18 minutes. Suddenly, the plane flew into a group of birds, which <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ both of its engines and caused them to stop working. The <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ had no choice but to try to land the plane on the Hudson River. Less than four minutes after the plane hit the birds, it <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ into the river. The <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ helped the passengers to get out of the <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ doors onto the wings of the plane, which was by then <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ down the river. Boats arrived to <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ the passengers, and <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ helped to take them to safety. Meanwhile, water began to enter the plane, and it started to <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_. Incredibly, everyone on board survived the incident, and the pilot was declared a hero.