

Business English Phrases Connected to Flying



to get something off the ground

to start a plan or project successfully

"We will need much more funding to get this project off the ground"



on the fly

to do something quickly without preparing or thinking too much about it

"I had no time to prepare my presentation, so I had to do it on the fly."



to be up in the air

if a situation is up in the air, it means that it is still uncertain and unresolved

"The potential deal is still up in the air because we cannot agree terms."



to take off

to suddenly become successful or popular

"The business is really starting to take off."



to soar

to rise quickly to a high level

"House prices are soaring at the moment."



Exercise - Business English Phrases Connected to Flying

Fill in the gaps with the phrases from the previous page. You may need to change the verb tenses in some answers to fit the meaning of the sentence:

The tourism industry in Thailand is really starting to _____ after the covid pandemic. In order to keep up with a new wave of tourists set to arrive in the next few years, various tourism infrastructure projects have been proposed.

Plans to build a new airport terminal and runway at Bangkok airport were approved last year, but since then not everything has gone according to plan. Originally, the idea was that construction would begin in Summer 2023, although it now seems like everything is _____. We have no idea when the construction will begin. The truth is that the cost of raw materials _____ over the last 6 months, so it is now going to be extremely difficult even to _____ the project _____.

Also, due to the current economic turbulence, such major projects can become very risky if something goes wrong. We can't just make decisions _____, especially when it comes to investments in raw materials, because it could easily backfire further down the line.

