

27 - Transportation

Useful Vocabulary

method / form of transportation	express bus / train platform	(piece of) luggage
public transportation	(bus / taxi / train) fare	delays
travel by air / sea / land / foot	travel pass	journey
on the road	senior citizens' discount	depart(ure)
subway / the underground / the Tube / the metro	students' discount	arrive
taxi / cab	at the airport	arrival
take a car / taxi / bus / train / tram	on the runway	get to
change buses / trains / planes	in the air	reach
get in / out of a car / taxi	board a plane / ship	convenient
get on / off a bus / train / tram / plane / motorcycle / bicycle / ship / horse	book a ticket / flight	convenience
drive a car / truck	direct / non-stop flight	commute
ride a bicycle / motorcycle / horse	indirect flight	rush hour
ride-sharing companies	stopover	(bad / heavy) traffic
hitch a ride / lift	economy	traffic jam
hitchhike	business class	congestion
car pool	first class	pedestrian
at the bus stop / bus station / train station	round-trip ticket	road safety
wait in line / a queue	one-way ticket	seatbelt
	window / aisle seat	(car / road) accident
	boarding pass	road rage
	gate	pollution
	passport	environmental concerns
	suitcase	environmentally friendly
		reduce emissions

Practice Questions

1. How do you get to school in the morning and how do you get home after school? Why did you choose that method of transportation and how long does it usually take you?
2. What do you usually do when you're on a bus, tram, or train? Explain.
3. What's your favorite form of transportation and why?
4. Up to what distance would you walk rather than take another form of transportation? Explain.
5. Did you ride a bicycle when you were young? Do you ride one now? Why or why not?



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6. Do you always wear a seatbelt when you ride in a car? Why or why not?
7. Have you ever flown on a plane? How do you feel about flying?
8. Would you like to ride a motorcycle? Why or why not?
9. What's the most interesting method of transportation you've ever used? Explain.
10. Tell a story about a good or bad transportation experience that you've had.
11. Have you ever missed a train or plane? If so, what did you do?
12. What is the quickest form of transportation for getting from one part of your town / city to the other? Explain.
13. What is the quickest form of transportation for getting from your city to another part of the country? Explain.
14. What are three advantages of taking public transportation? Explain.
15. What are three advantages of owning a car? Explain.
16. What is one form of transportation that you haven't taken but would like to take? Explain.
17. What do you consider the most dangerous method of transportation and why?
18. What do you consider the safest method of transportation and why?
19. Which form of transportation do you consider the most harmful to the environment and why?
20. Do you think that public transportation in Israel is good? Why or why not?
21. In your opinion, what is the best method of transportation within Israel: car, taxi, ride-sharing, bus, train, or tram? Explain.
22. What transportation problems exist in Israel? Suggest at least two solutions to these problems.
23. Are there any traffic and / or parking problems in your city? Explain. If a problem exists, suggest at least one solution to the problem.
24. What do you think the government can do to encourage more people to use public transportation?
25. Would you use public transportation more if it were free? Why or why not?
26. How do people behave on public transportation in your city? Do they treat each other politely? Explain.
27. What would happen if all public transportation in Israel stopped? Explain.
28. What length commute do you consider acceptable and what length do you consider excessive? Explain.
29. How can the government increase road safety in Israel?
30. Have you ever seen someone with road rage? If so, describe the situation. In general, what factors do you think cause road rage and how can the government reduce road rage?
31. Do you think the minimum age for driving should be decreased? Why or why not?
32. What do you think transportation will be like in the future? Explain.



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