

Transport: General

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Activity 1

How many different types of transport can you think of? Write a list on a separate piece of paper.

Activity 2

Use the correct form of the following words and phrases to fill the gaps in the sentences below. Then make questions from the sentences and use them to start a conversation with your partner.

in the same boat to sail through to drive me mad slow coach

1. I know someone who is a..... S/he never does anything quickly!
2. I all my exams when I was at school because I always studied hard.
3. I think we're all when we try to pronounce English words; they are equally difficult for all of us.
4. It when I see people talking on their mobile phones when they are driving their cars! I think it's really dangerous.

Activity 3

Read the following puzzle and work with your partner to discover what the safest way of travelling is.

Travelling by train is more dangerous than cycling.
Driving a car is more dangerous than travelling by train.
Cycling is less dangerous than flying.
Travelling by train is less dangerous than riding a motorbike.
Riding a motorbike is more dangerous than flying.
Flying is not as dangerous as driving a car.

Solution: is the safest way of travelling (in this puzzle).

Activity 4

Read all the following questions then use them to begin a conversation with your partner.

1. Which type of transport do you think is the most/the least dangerous? Make a list, then explain your opinions to your partner using comparative structures like the ones in Activity 3.
2. Can you ride a horse? A bicycle? A motorbike? Can you drive a car? Which do you think is more difficult to learn to do? Explain your answer.
3. How old do you have to be to drive in your country? Do you think this age limit is right? Why/not?
4. Are there enough car parks in your country? How difficult is it to find parking spaces in cities? What do you think the government should do to reduce parking problems?
5. Which annoying habits of other drivers annoy you the most? Why?
6. Do you think that motor racing (e.g. Formula One, motorbike racing etc.) encourages people to drive faster? Why/not?
7. Do you prefer to travel by public transport or to use your car? Why?
8. Do you enjoy travelling by boat? Why/not? Do you prefer small boats or large ships?
9. Would you like to fly in a hot air balloon? Why/not?
10. What types of transport do you think will become more important in the future?

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