

VEHICLE INCIDENT REPORT

I. Warm Up.

1. While driving your personal vehicle you were stopped by a policeman. Read the possible short dialogue.

Officer: Good Morning:

Driver: Good morning, officer.

Officer: Can I see your driver's license, registration and insurance?

Driver: Yes. Here they are.

Officer: Thank you. You were speeding. Please wait.

Driver: O.K.

.... Later

Officer: Here are your documents and a ticket.

Driver: Thank you.



Task: basing on the given dialogue and the words from the box reconstruct the situation from the side of the driver.

ticket flashing registration slow down insurance documents pull off to the right license

The police car lights are 1) _____. I must 2) _____, and 3) _____. The police officer asks for three 4) _____. These are my driver's 5) _____, 6) vehicle _____, and 7) _____. The police officer may give me a 8) _____.

II. Presentation. Vocabulary Practice through Exercising.

2. The most common type of civil case is a claim arising from an automobile crash (car, truck, van, semi or other vehicle collision). Motor vehicle crashes are a leading cause of accidental death and injury. Task. In the following list the instructions for an aggrieved party are mixed. Arrange them in the right order. What should one do after an accident? Suggest your own ideas.

If you, or someone you know, have been injured in automobile collision you (or the person involved) should do the following:

A) Don't sign anything except a ticket, citation or report issued by police. Never sign anything else at the accident scene. Signing some types of documents may jeopardize your rights.

B) Get out of your vehicle. Although you must remain on the accident scene, remove yourself from further danger by getting out of your vehicle --- and out of traffic.

C) Turn off your engine to minimize the risk of fire.

D) Stop your car, no matter who is at fault, the law requires you to stop and exchange names, addresses and insurance information at the scene of an accident.

E) Collect information. If possible, collect information about the accident at the scene or as soon after as appropriate.

F) Call for police or medical assistance. Even if there are no injuries, assistance may be necessary to clear the accident scene, handle traffic, and file an accident report.

J) Inform your insurance company. Call your agent or your company's claims number and inform them that you have been involved in a collision and give them the information about the time, date and place of the collision and the people involved.

H) Don't discuss the accident, except for giving necessary details to police, medical personnel, your insurance company, or your attorney; do not discuss the accident, especially with insurance companies or lawyers representing other people or insurance companies.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

3. Task: read the following news report and fill in the correct words from the box.

broke injuries direction crashed damaged overtake skidded collision

“...There have been further road accidents following yesterday’s heavy rain. Early last night two motorists suffered serious 1)..... in an incident involving three vehicles.

Mr. Ray Amberly from Newden was travelling along Pyke Road at around 90 mph when he noticed the van behind his car driven by Mr. Joseph Brown, moving out to 2)..... him. Mr. Amberly 3)..... slightly in order to let the driver of the van pass, but instead of slowing down, his car 4)..... on the slippery surface and 5)..... into the van. As the result, the van was knocked into a third vehicle, coming from the other 6)..... which was driven by Mr. Luke Porter. All three vehicles were severely 7)..... in the 8)..... and the three drivers had to be taken to hospital.

Police believe that the crash could have been avoided if the drivers had not been travelling so fast under such dangerous conditions.”

4. Task. Read the following news story. Match the sentences A - F to the gaps 1 - 5. There is one extra sentence.

- A. “Anyone of us could have been killed,” he added.
- B. He then gave his name and other details to the cyclists and eventually drove away.
- C. Mr. Johnson told the media that the incident showed London needed more cycle lanes.
- D. The door hit a parked Ford Mondeo and started pulling it along the street.
- E. When the police arrived, the witness reported what she’d seen.
- F. The police have contacted and questioned the lorry driver.

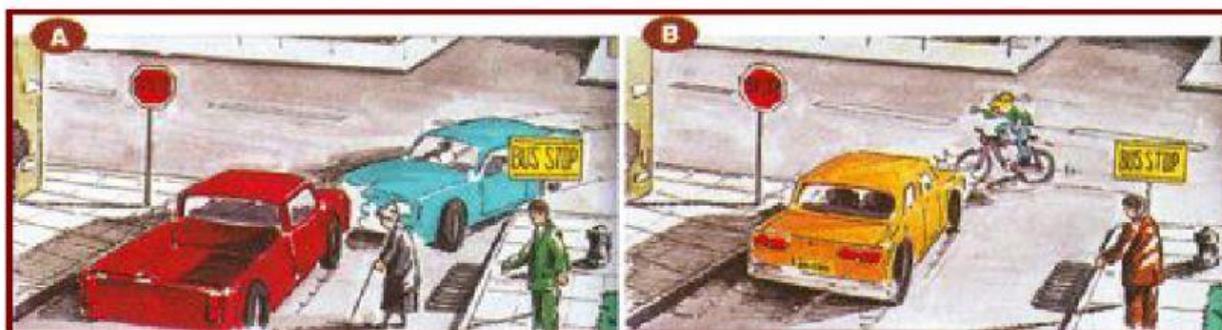
Mayor narrowly escapes accident.

Boris Johnson, the Mayor of London, narrowly escaped a dangerous accident while inspecting the streets on his bike last Friday. Mr. Johnson and several other officials were cycling down Narrow Street in Limehouse, east London, looking for new cycle routes, when the door of a passing lorry, which had not been locked properly, opened as it was crossing a speed hump. **1** _____. The Ford crashed into another parked car. ‘There was torn metal and broken glass flying in all directions,’ a witness told our reporter. The Mayor and the group accompanying him missed the crash by a few meters. One of the cyclists said it was a miracle nobody was injured. **2** _____. Commenting on the incident later, the Mayor said his companions had remained impressively calm. The lorry driver got out, checked that nobody was hurt and helped clear the debris off the road. **3** _____. The incident was recorded by a security camera on one of the buildings. The Mayor can be seen in the video, walking around the crashed cars and inspecting the damage. **4** _____. He may be fined for two

motoring offences: driving ‘without due care and attention’ and keeping a vehicle in a dangerous condition. **5** _____. As the summer cycling season begins, the City Council promises a £115m ‘cycle revolution’, which will involve, among other projects, the introduction of a network of marked ‘Cycle Super Highways’ on key routes through the capital.

III. Reflection.

5. Task. Look through the pictures. Use the words in the lists A or B and describe the accidents as if you were a witness to them. Start your statements with the beginning words given below.



<p>A. Cross road, turn left off the main road, swerve, collide.</p> <p>Policeman: Did you see what happened?</p> <p>Male: Yes, I did.</p> <p>Policeman: Could you describe the event as accurately as possible?</p> <p>Male: I</p> <p>.....</p> <p>An old lady</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Suddenly a car</p> <p>.....</p> <p>But the driver</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Unfortunately.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Luckily.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>	<p>B. Approach junction, go through stop sign, throw to the ground, slam on the brakes.</p> <p>Policeman: Did you witness the accident, sir?</p> <p>Male: Yes, I did.</p> <p>Policeman: Could you tell me what you saw?</p> <p>Male: I</p> <p>.....</p> <p>A car</p> <p>.....</p> <p>A young girl</p> <p>.....</p> <p>The driver (the accident moment).....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>The driver (next to the crash moment).....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>An ambulance</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>
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IV. Homework.

6. Task. Describe the accident from the side of a Policemen had been called on the scene. Draw a scheme of RTA. Identify who caused the accident and the proper penalty.

