UNIT 2

City Transportation

Getting Ready

Check (✓) your own answers to the questions below and compare them with a partner.

How often do you use taxis?

- ☐ every day
- ☐ about once or twice a week
- ☐ not very often
- ☐ other: _____

When do you usually use taxis?

- ☐ when I am in a hurry
- ☐ when there isn't any other way to get somewhere
- ☐ when it is raining
- ☐ other: _____

How is the taxi service in your city?

☐ excellent ☐ very good ☐ okay ☐ poor

CD 1-7 Listening 1

People are talking about transportation. Listen and number the pictures.

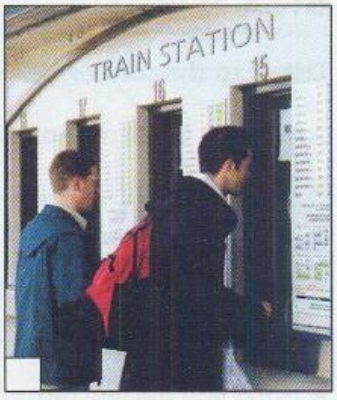
A. ☐



B. 1



C. ☐



D. ☐



E. ☐



F. ☐



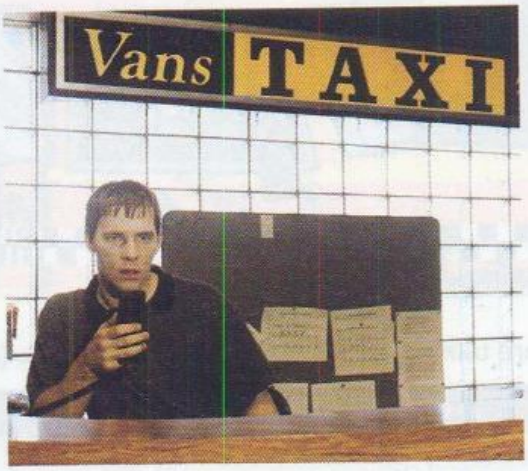
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Listening 2

CD 1-8 ▶ Task 1

Four hotel guests are calling for a taxi. Are these statements true or false? Listen and check (✓) the correct answer.





	True	False
1. The caller's flight leaves in four hours.	☐	☑
2. The caller wants to go to another hotel.	☐	☐
3. The caller needs to catch a train.	☐	☐
4. The caller's friend is going to have a baby soon.	☐	☐

CD 1-8 ▶ Task 2

Listen again. How much will each ride cost? Circle the correct answer.

1. a. $14
   (b.) $40
2. a. $12
   b. $20
3. a. $15
   b. $50
4. a. $18
   b. $80

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Listening 3

CD 1-9 ▶ Task 1



Visitors are talking about taxis. Listen and check (✓) their opinions about taxi service.

	Good	Okay	Not good
1.	☐	☐	☑
2.	☐	☐	☐
3.	☐	☐	☐
4.	☐	☐	☐

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CD 1-9 ▶ Task 2

Listen again. Circle the correct answer.

1. The thing she hates the most is that the _____.
   - (a.) taxis aren't air-conditioned
   - b. drivers drive too fast
   - c. drivers are rude

2. The thing he likes the most is _____.
   - a. the prices
   - b. that the taxis are clean
   - c. the drivers

3. The thing he hates the most is that the _____.
   - a. taxis are too expensive
   - b. drivers don't speak English very well
   - c. taxis are not very safe

4. The thing she likes the most is that the _____.
   - a. taxis are comfortable
   - b. drivers speak English well
   - c. drivers take credit cards

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Conversation Corner

Asking about transportation

Pronunciation

Intonation of *Wh*- questions

Pronunciation Help

Use falling intonation for *Wh*- questions.

CD 1-10 ▶ Task 1

Listen and repeat.

1. When does the train leave?
2. How far is it?
3. Where do you get the bus?
4. How much is the fare?
5. What time is your train?
6. How long is the flight?

▶ Task 2

Read the questions to a partner. Be sure to use the correct intonation.

Dictation

CD 1-11 ▶ Task 1

Listen to the conversation. Write the missing words.

A: Where do you get the bus _____ _____?

B: I don't take the bus.

A: Oh. How do you _____ _____ _____?

B: I take the subway.

A: How often do you _____ _____?

B: I take it every day.

A: How much _____ _____ _____?

B: It costs about $50 a month.

▶ Task 2

Practice the conversation with a partner. Be sure to use the correct intonation.

Conversation

Work in pairs. Think about how you get to school. Ask each other about the ways you get to school.

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