

UNIT 9 Taking Transportation

PREVIEW

1 Look at the departure schedule and the clock. Read the statements. Check true or false.

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| 1. The next flight to Porto Alegre is at 5:50 p.m. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 2. Flight 902 to São Luis is leaving from Gate C4. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 3. The flight to Caracas is delayed. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 4. Flight number 267 is going to Belo Horizonte. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 5. Passengers traveling to Rio de Janeiro on flight 89 should hurry. | ☐ | ☐ |
| 6. Flight 60 to São Paulo is late. | ☐ | ☐ |

RAPID AIR BRASILIA DEPARTURES					
Destination	FL No.	Departs	Gate	Status	
Belo Horizonte	267	16:10	G3	boarding	
Belo Horizonte	902	16:15	G4	on time	
São Paulo	58	16:50	G4	new 17:20	
São Paulo	499	17:00	G3	on time	
São Paulo	60	17:50	G4	delayed	
São Paulo	89	18:00	G3	on time	
Caracas	04	18:05	G1	cancelled	
São Paulo	81	18:10	G3	on time	
São Paulo	62	18:50	G4	on time	

2 Choose the correct response. Write the letter on the line.

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| 1. "Oh, no! The bus is leaving in four minutes." | a. Thank goodness. |
| 2. "Good news. Our flight is on time." | b. No, I'm connecting to Quito. |
| 3. "I'm looking for Gate C4." | c. What a coincidence! |
| 4. "Is this your final destination?" | d. Yes. Let's look for track 6. |
| 5. "I'm catching a flight to Barcelona, too." | e. It's down this hall, on the right. |
| 6. "We're catching the 8:27 train, right?" | f. We should hurry! |

LESSON 1

3 Answer the questions in complete sentences.

- Which is faster—the local or the express? _____
- Which is more scenic—an aisle seat or a window seat? _____
- Which is more convenient—a direct flight or a non-stop flight? _____
- Which is less expensive—a one-way ticket or a round-trip ticket? _____

4 Complete each sentence or question. Use could or should and the base form of the verb.

- Want my advice? _____ the express. _____ the local, but it takes thirty minutes longer.
- _____ the 7:30! _____
- _____ round-trip tickets. They are cheaper than two one-way tickets, and she won't have to wait in another ticket line.
- _____ an aisle seat in the rear of the plane or a window seat in the front. What do you think? Which seats _____?
- The flight is delayed. _____ late for the meeting. _____ the office?
- No, _____ a direct flight. They have to change planes in Anchorage.

5 Put the conversation in order. Write the number on the line.

- Let's see. The local leaves from track 23, lower level.
- Can I help you?
- Oh, no! What should we do?
- That's not too bad. What's the track number?
- Yes. Can we still make the 10:05 express to Antwerp?
- I'm sorry. You missed it.
- Thanks very much.
- Well, you could take a local train. There's one at 11:05.

LESSON 2

7 What are your plans for today? Check the things you're going to do. Add your own activities.

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| ☐ call a friend | ☐ check my e-mail | ☐ go shopping | ☐ study |
| ☐ exercise | ☐ clean my house | ☐ take the bus | ☐ cook |
| ☐ other _____ | | | |

8 Now write sentences about your plans for today. Use the future tense with be going to.

I'm going to call a friend tonight after work.

- _____
- _____
- _____

9 What are they going to do? Write the letter on the line.

- She's going to make a reservation.
- He's going to arrive at 8:45.
- She's going to take a limo.
- He's not going to take a taxi.



10 Read the response. Complete each question with be going to.

- A: Where is Paul going to meet us? _____
B: Paul's going to meet us at the airport café.
- A: Who _____?
B: I think Gretchen is going to buy the tickets.
- A: When _____?
B: I'm going to pack tonight.
- A: What time _____?
B: They're going to arrive at 5:50 p.m.
- A: _____ our connecting flight?
B: Yes, we'll make it.

Did you know?
The world's longest direct run train (without changing trains) is 10,214 km, from Moscow, Russia, to Pyongyang, North Korea. One train a week takes this route. The trip takes almost eight days!

11 Complete the conversation. Use words from the box.

limousine going should late check arriving reservation rental

- A: What time are we _____ in Copenhagen?
- B: Pretty _____ Around 10:30 p.m.
- A: What about a hotel?
- B: I'm going to make a _____ online.
- A: Great. And are we _____ to need a taxi to the hotel?
- B: There's a _____ from the airport, or we could get a _____ car.
- A: They're expensive. We _____ save our money. Is there a train?
- B: Let me _____.

