

HISTORY: LONDON TRANSPORT



1. Watch the video and choose the correct answers:

1. What is London's population?

- a. 5,5 million people
- b. 8,5 million people
- c. 10,5 million people

2. How do British people call the London Underground?

- a. the Tube
- b. the metro
- c. the two

3. How many different lines are there in the London Underground?

- a. 14
- b. 4
- c. 207

4. How are most of London's buses?

- a. very old
- b. there are no buses in London
- c. quite new

5. Which colour are London buses?

- a. black
- b. blue
- c. red

6. Which colour are taxis in London?

- a. yellow

b. red

c. black

7. Tell me another word for taxi

- a. cat
- b. cab
- c. tack

8. What is the most expensive means of transport in London?

- a. the underground
- b. the bus
- c. the taxi

9. Why is the traffic much better now than before?

- a. because of the underground
- b. because of the new system of buses
- c. because of the new system of bicycle hire scheme

10. Why are bikes popular in London?

- a. because they are cheaper and cleaner
- b. because they are cheaper and better for the environment
- c. because they are new and there are a lot of bikes

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Listen to the video again and fill in the gaps with the correct word. Numbers go in digits.

_____ has got a population of around 8.5 million. It's big, bright and very, very _____. Because there are so many _____ in the city, there are lots of different kinds of _____.

This is the London Underground. Most people in the UK call it 'the _____' and it's very _____. Millions of people use the underground every day and it's almost always busy! The Tube is over _____ years old and has a very _____ history. Today, there are _____ different lines and _____ stations all over London.

There are lots of overground train_____ too. This is Waterloo, a very busy train station in the _____ of London. There are _____ here to many different places - in London and all over the UK. Of course, _____ are parts of London that haven't got an underground or an overground station, but this isn't _____ a problem because there are lots of _____ too.

London's red double-decker buses are famous all over the _____. Most of these are quite new, but some are a lot older. In fact, there are _____ original red buses - called Routemasters - that are around _____ years old!

Another London icon is the 'black _____. These London taxis are _____ to recognize and they're very useful _____ the drivers know a lot about London. They're a lot more _____ than the Tube or the bus, but these cabs are usually _____ and much more _____.

Sometimes, though, traffic is a problem. Because London is a major capital _____, the roads are often very busy. But it's now a lot better than _____, and one reason for this is the city's cycle hire scheme. The scheme is just over _____ years old and today there are _____ bicycles and over _____ docking stations all around the city. The _____ are very popular because they're _____ than taxis or the Tube and they're a lot _____ for the environment so London's streets are _____ and less polluted.

From _____ to the Tube, from red double-decker buses to today's cycle hire scheme, there are lots of _____ types of transport in London. In fact, the public transport _____ is probably more famous than anywhere else in the _____!