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 _____!