

PAPER 2 LISTENING COMPREHENSION

You will hear a reporter who has just revisited Moscow after 15 years.

A. Identify true or false statements: According to the reporter, which of the following statements are true or false?

TRUE

FALSE

1. The procedure at immigration is fast and modern.
2. It is fairly easy for tourists to enter Russia.
3. Many of the old buildings from the 1930s are no longer used by government departments.
4. The reporter is told that Moscow is very different from many European cities.
5. Moscow has the worst traffic in the world.
6. The reporter is surprised to find out that you have to pay to park your car in some parts of the city.
7. Using the metro is difficult if you have lots of things to carry.

B. Gap-fill. Complete the text.

The reporter is from (8) _____ and the reason why he is in Moscow to work as a (9) _____. While the reporter is talking to the press officer, Moscow is compared with (10) _____ because it's more modern and European. According to the reporter, you will find out things are the same in Moscow if you take a (11) _____ but if things have changed, it's for the worse. However, one thing about using taxi is that fare is (12) _____.

C. Multiple Choice. Choose the correct statement.

A. The blue light in Moscow...

1. is used only for emergency services.
2. can be used by people in a hurry.
3. is used only by government officials.
4. is used by some wealthy people with connections.

B. The taxi driver believes that...

1. the traffic is getting better due to Moscow's ring road.
2. one reason for the heavy traffic is the weather conditions.
3. the taxi fare should increase so he can go home earlier.
4. there are too many minor accidents which cause a lot of traffic congestion.