Using public transport - useful vocabulary



Buying a ticket

I'd like …

I'd like a **single ticket**…

I'd like to buy a **return ticket**…

Or

Can I have a ….. (single / return **to Bath**) please?

Can I have a ….. (**2 day/week travel card**) please?

When you need to be quick (on the bus), the question can be short:

A single to London Bridge, please.

Asking for information

How much is … (a 5 day travel card/pass)?

You: Hello, can I buy a ticket, please?

Ticket seller: Yes, where to?

You: Oxford Circus

Ticket seller: Single or return?

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You: Single, please.
Ticket seller: That's $1, please.
You: Here you are. Which line do I take?
Ticket seller: Take the Victoria line then change at the Charing Cross for the Northern line. Here's your change.
You: Thank you, bye.

Let's check:

1. Where are you going? .....
2. Do you wanna go both ways with on the same ticket? .....
3. Which line do you take? .....
4. What station do you change at? .....
5. What is another name for metro/subway/underground? .....

Conversation 1:

Can I help you?
Yes, I'd like a ..... to Oxford, please. **(bilet w obie strony)**
That's £20.

Conversation 2:

Yes Madam?
How much is a ....? **(karta jednodniowa)**
£4.50 for four zones.

Conversation 3:

Yes?
Can you tell me where to ..... **(wysiąść)** for the shopping centre?
No problem.

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On the bus:

Woman: Er, excuse me?
Man: Yeah? Can I help you?
Woman: I wanted to ask about buses to Manchester.
Man: Right. When are you going? (**where to?** - taxi as well)
Woman: Saturday, I think in the morning. How often do the buses leave?
Man: The first bus is at 8.30. After that, there's one bus every two hours until 6.30.
Woman: And how long does the journey take?
Man: It depends on the traffic, but normally about four hours.
Woman: Okay, I think I should leave earlier then. Can I buy a ticket in advance?
Man: Yes, of course. Would you like to buy one now?
Woman: Yeah, okay. How much is it?
Man: Single or return?
Woman: Single.
Man: That's £23.503.
Woman: Right... Just a minute... Okay, here you go.
Man: Thank you. Here's your change, and your ticket.
Woman: Thanks for your help.
Man: Don't forget your purse!
Woman: Oh! Silly me! Thanks!

Write T or F in each answer space.

1. There will be a bus to Manchester at 12.30 on Saturday. **T / F**
2. The journey never takes more than four hours. **T / F**
3. The woman does not want to arrive in Manchester very late. **T / F**
4. Tickets can only be bought from the bus driver. **T / F**
5. The woman also buys a ticket to come back from Manchester on the bus. **T / F**

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Match the words with their translations

linia metra trasa autobusu przystanek autobusowy stacja metra

godziny szczytu taksówka 'kanar' korek wsiąść wysiąść

underground/subway ...

subway line ...

bus stop ...

bus route ...

ticket collector ...

traffic jam ...

rush hour ...

subway station ...

get off ...

get on ...

taxi (cab) ...

At the supermarket

At the checkout

1. How would you like to pay?
   You can answer:
   - **"In cash."**
   - **"With a debit/credit card."**
2. Do you need any help packing?
3. Please enter your **PIN number**.
4. Would you like **a receipt**?
5. Do you have **a loyalty card**?

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Could I have **a carrier bag**, please?

At the supermarket - **CLICK**

Places in a city - **CLICK**

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