

UNIT 11: TRAVELLING IN THE FUTURE

A. PHONETICS

I. Tick (v) the correct column for rising or falling intonation

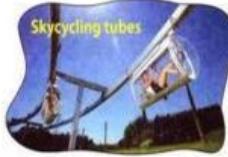
Question	Rising	Falling
1. Do you think that flying taxi will be available soon		
2. When do they open the metro system?		
3. Is it possible for airplanes to fly without a pilot?		
4. Where can I learn to have a driver's license?		
5. What do future motorbikes look like?		
6. Will public transportation use electric bus?		
7. Are you talking about driverless cars?		
8. How often do you cycle?		
9. Can scientists invent personal wings like a bird?		
10. How do solar-powered vehicles operate?		

II. Draw rising or falling arrows at the end of each question to show the correspond intonation.

1. What are the advantages of driverless cars? _____
2. Can I use an electric bicycle in the rain? _____
3. Will we still have traffic jams in the sky? _____
4. When does the project about future transport start? _____
5. Who is the inventor of the high-speed train? _____
6. Is the solar-powered engine applicable to all vehicles? _____
7. Do you like wind-powered aircraft? _____
8. Can you imagine a pilotless helicopter? _____
9. Is it true that electric vehicles are environmentally friendly? _____
10. How big is a typical spaceship? _____

B. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

I. Write the name of the means of transport under the pictures.

flying car	jetpack	teleporter	Segway
hover scooter	skytrain	skycycling tube	monowheel
			
1. _____	2. _____	3. _____	4. _____
			
5. _____	6. _____	7. _____	8. _____

II. Match means of transport with their definitions.

1. flying car	a. a single-wheel vehicle similar to a unicycle, its rider sitting inside or next to the wheel
2. teleporter	b. a board that travels above the surface of the ground, that you ride on in a standing position
3. jetpack	c. a two-wheeled self-balancing electric vehicle, ridden while standing up
4. hover scooter	d. a type of air vehicle that provides transportation by both ground and air
5. monowheel	e. a device that is used to move somebody immediately from one place to another a distance away
6. Segway	f. a device that somebody wears on their shoulders like a backpack that enables them to fly

III. Complete the sentences with the words from the box.

high-speed
underwater

eco-friendly
solar-powered

pilotless
gridlocked

driverless
supersonic

1. We'll see _____ planes or autonomous planes in the next 40 to 50 years.
2. _____ planes can travel faster than the speed of sound.
3. A _____ only run efficiently when the sun shines.
4. _____ car are fitted with sensors to detect other road users and avoid collisions.
5. Driving a(n) _____ vehicle is a great way to help human health and the environment.
6. An autonomous _____ vessel will be used as a means of passenger transport.
7. The Shinkansen bullet train, a _____ passenger train of Japan, can reach a speed of 320km/h.
8. Police are turning round cars stuck in _____ traffic after serious crash.

IV. Complete the sentences with the verbs from the box.

drive rides fly sail pedaled crashed float flopped hovers piloted

1. Cars that can _____ in the sky are coming sooner than you think.
2. She stopped rowing and let the boat _____ with the stream.
3. He _____ the helicopter from Paris to Deauville.
4. Will cars of the future ever _____ themselves?
5. We all want to ride on a skateboard that actually _____ above the ground.
6. My brother _____ to school on his bicycle.
7. Yesterday afternoon, we rented a swan boat and _____ around the lake.
8. Some transport inventions became popular, but others _____!
9. The plane _____ into Trinity Bay and broke apart.
10. They sold everything and bought a boat _____ around the world.

