

LESSON 1

3 Answer the questions in complete sentences.

1. Which is faster—the local or the express?

2. Which is more scenic—an aisle seat or a window seat?

3. Which is more convenient—a direct flight or a non-stop flight?

4. Which is less expensive—a one-way ticket or a round-trip ticket?

4 Complete each sentence or question. Use could or should and the base form of the verb.

- Want my advice? _____ the express. _____ the local, but it takes thirty minutes longer.
You / take You / take
- _____! _____ the 7:30!
You / hurry You / make
- _____ round-trip tickets. They are cheaper than two one-way tickets, and she won't have to wait in another ticket line.
She / buy
- _____ an aisle seat in the rear of the plane or a window seat in the front. What do you think? Which seats _____?
We / take we / take
- The flight is delayed. _____ late for the meeting. _____ the office?
We / be we / call
- No, _____ a direct flight. They have to change planes in Anchorage.
they / not / get

5 Put the conversation in order. Write the number on the line.

_____ Let's see. The local leaves from track 23, lower level.
1 Can I help you?
_____ Oh, no! What should we do?
_____ That's not too bad. What's the track number?
_____ Yes. Can we still make the 10:05 express to Antwerp?
_____ I'm sorry. You missed it.
_____ Thanks very much.
_____ Well, you could take a local train. There's one at 11:05.

6 Look at the schedules. Which train should the people take? Write your advice on the line.



I live in White Plains. I need a train that will arrive in New York City around 9:00 A.M. Could I take the 8:22 express?

1. Yes, you could _____ take the 8:22.



I live in Scarsdale. I need to shop for a new laptop in New York City. Most computer stores open at 10:00 A.M. What time should I be at the Scarsdale train station?

3. _____

Metropolitan Railroad			
	Local	Express	Local
White Plains	7:25	8:22	9:05
Scarsdale	7:42	-	9:22
Bronxville	8:05	-	9:40
Harlem 125th St.	8:24	-	9:59
Grand Central—New York City	8:30	8:59	10:06



I live in White Plains. I'm meeting my boss at Grand Central Station at 8:45 A.M., and I can't be late. Which train should I take?

2. _____



I'm in White Plains. I want to go to Bronxville. Could I take an express train? I want to get there quickly.

4. _____