

# WORKBOOK UNIT 4

## Lesson 3 and 4

### LESSON 3

11 Complete each sentence with a car type from the box.

a convertible a minivan an SUV a luxury car a compact car

1. Mavis loves hiking. She has \_\_\_\_\_ with four-wheel drive that she can drive on rough roads when she takes a trip to the mountains.
2. If you just need a car that's small and easy to park, \_\_\_\_\_ would be great for you.
3. Mrs. Jeter drives \_\_\_\_\_ to take her husband to work and their five children to school every morning.
4. Peter thinks that owning \_\_\_\_\_ is really cool. He said, "You can have the roof down and enjoy the sun, wind, and beautiful sky when the weather is nice."
5. Jack is the president of a big company, and he drives \_\_\_\_\_ with expensive leather seats.

12 Read the phone conversation. Then complete the rental form.

Agent: Good afternoon. L & M Car Rental. How can I help you?

Renter: Hello. I'd like to make a reservation for June 10<sup>th</sup>.

Agent: Certainly. What type of car do you need?

Renter: A compact car.

Agent: Let's see . . . I'm afraid I don't have a compact available for that date. Is a full-size sedan OK?

Renter: That's fine.

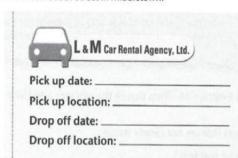
Agent: How long do you need the car for?

Renter: For eight days. Can I pick up the car here in Middletown and return it at Bradley Airport?

Agent: Yes, that's fine. But there is a drop-off fee for one-way rentals.

Renter: All right. One last question. Where are you located?

Agent: We're at 355 South Street in Middletown.



### LESSON 4

13 Read *Six Tips For Defensive Driving* on page 46 of the Student's Book again. Then read the statements and write A for aggressive driving, or B for inattentive driving.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ tailgating to make others go faster
2. \_\_\_\_\_ following the "3-second rule"
3. \_\_\_\_\_ multitasking while driving
4. \_\_\_\_\_ checking your mirrors frequently
5. \_\_\_\_\_ slowing down in bad weather
6. \_\_\_\_\_ pulling over to avoid a bad driver
7. \_\_\_\_\_ cutting other drivers off
8. \_\_\_\_\_ talking on the phone while driving

14 Read the article about renting a car in the U.S.

#### Driving in the U.S.A.

Planning a trip to the U.S.? Have you thought about how you'll get around? If you're going to stay in a big city such as New York, Chicago, or San Francisco, public transportation is the most convenient option. However, to travel almost anywhere in the U.S., you'll need a car.

**Car Requirements:** Most car rental agencies require drivers to be at least 21 years old. Some allow younger drivers, but may charge a higher rate. To rent a car in the U.S., you will need a credit card and driver's license. Visiting car rental agencies online is a good way to get a car rental. However, if your license is in a language that doesn't use the Roman alphabet, you should obtain an international driving permit.

**Cost:** Car rental rates change often, and you can usually save money by shopping around for the best price. Be sure to check travel and rental agency websites for special deals and package deals. Many package deals offer car rental and airfare or hotel for one low price. If your schedule is flexible, compare prices for different travel dates. It is often cheaper to rent a car on weekends or for a full week rather than a few days.



**Hidden charges:** Always read the small print on your rental agreement carefully—to check for hidden charges such as taxes, airport surcharges, and drop-off fees (an extra charge to return a car to the rental agency where you picked it up). Make sure that you drop off the car with a full tank of gas. Rental agencies charge a fill-up fee and high gas prices if they have to fill up the gas tank.

**Safety:** Before you get in the car, inspect the car carefully for damage and make sure everything is working properly. Ask the agent to note any problems on the rental form. Take a few minutes to become familiar with the car. Adjust your mirrors, seat, and location controls. Turn the lights, turn signals, and windshield wipers. Then, buckle up! Wear your seat belt, and ask your passengers to do the same. Most states have seat belt laws. In many states, children and babies sit in the back seat in special child seats. When you're ready, follow the traffic laws for the states you'll be driving in. If you're not sure, check with car rental staff before you hit the road.

Find and circle the phrases in the article in Exercise 14. Then match the phrases and their meanings. Write the letter on the line.

1. _____ get around	a. extra costs that are not clearly stated
2. _____ package deals	b. fasten your seat belt
3. _____ hidden charges	c. travel from place to place
4. _____ fill-up fee	d. begin a car trip
5. _____ buckle up	e. specials that offer two or more services for one price
6. _____ hit the road	f. an extra charge for returning a car without a full tank of gas

15 Answer the questions about renting a car in the U.S. Use information from the article in Exercise 14. Explain your answers.

1. I am 23 years old. Can I rent a car? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Do I need an International Driving Permit to drive in the U.S.? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Where can I get the best price for a car rental? \_\_\_\_\_
4. I want to pick up a car in New York and drop it off at Los Angeles International Airport. What hidden charges should I check for? \_\_\_\_\_
5. We are traveling with small children. Are there any special requirements? \_\_\_\_\_

### GRAMMAR BOOSTER

A Complete each sentence in your own way. Use the past continuous or the simple past tense.

1. They were having dinner when \_\_\_\_\_.
2. While \_\_\_\_\_, it started to rain.
3. While Marie was watching TV, her husband \_\_\_\_\_.
4. When \_\_\_\_\_, I was leaving my office.
5. He had an accident while \_\_\_\_\_.

C Put the words in order and write sentences. If a sentence can be written in two ways, write it both ways.

1. dropped / Margo / off / the car  
Margo dropped off the car. OR Margo offed the car.
2. up / it / Sam / picked  
Sam up it. OR Sam picked it up.
3. the tank / filled / I / up  
I up the tank. OR I filled up the tank.
4. can't / turn / on / Sue / the headlights  
Sue can't turn on the headlights. OR Sue turned on the headlights.
5. turn / off / I / can't / them  
I can't turn off them. OR I turned off them.
6. like / He'd / it / to / drop / off / at noon  
He'd like drop off it at noon. OR He'd like it drop off at noon.
7. I / to / need / up / it / fill  
I need up it fill. OR I need it up fill.
8. picked / the car / William / up / has  
William has picked up the car. OR William has the car up picked.