# UNIT 3: TRANSPORTATION

## C READING

## YES – NO – NOT GIVEN

1. **An opinion does not have to be based on fact or knowledge and we cannot prove it right or wrong. Read the statements a – d and write F if the statement is a fact or O if it expresses an opinion.**
   a. Noi Bai International Airport serves the most international destinations. _____
   b. MaySchool is one of the best English centers in Vietnam. _____
   c. Hanoi is the capital of Vietnam. _____
   d. Cao Bang is well worth a visit. _____

2. **Read the short text and decide which statement is Yes, No or Not Given.**

Some urban planners still believe that the best way to ease traffic jams is to build more roads, especially roads that can take drivers around or over busy city streets. But such techniques do not really keep cars off the road; they only accommodate more of them.

a. _____ Not getting cars off the road but accommodating more of them will increase road traffic injuries.
b. _____ The solution to ease traffic congestion by having more roads around and over busy streets is not really a solution.
c. _____ Constructing more roads around the edge of the city or over the crowded streets helps to reduce the number of cars.

3. **Decide if the following statements are Yes (Y), No (N), or Not Given (NG).**

**A Special Journey**

Some children moan about having to get a bus to school. Six teenagers on a remote Scottish island, Papa Westray, however, have the rather more exciting prospect of going to school by plane on what is believed to be the world's shortest **domestic flight**.

The journey from Papa Westray to Westray in the Orkney Islands takes 96 seconds, covering a distance of just over a **mile**. With a tail wind, it can take as little as 47 seconds. Normally the teenagers go by **ferry** but when it was taken out of service for **refurbishment**, Loganair, an airline company, stepped in and **offered** to fly them to Westray Junior High.

Six teenagers, all aged 13 – 14, will be flown to and from school until the end of the year when the ferry, the Golden Mariana, is scheduled to return, Loganair said. They take the

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flight every Tuesday morning, stay with host families for two nights and then catch a return flight on Thursday after school.

Willie McEwen, acting head teacher at Westray Junior High, said: "We're delighted that Loganair airline has come forward with this situation. Our children will enjoy the flying especially as, at this time of the year, it can be quite rough on a boat."

The Guinness World Records said that it did not recognize the world's shortest scheduled domestic flight. "The category is currently under researched," a spokesman said.

**Part 1: Match the words in bold to their definition.**

| | |
|---|---|
| **1.** refurbishment | **a.** a unit of distance equal to 1.6 kilometers |
| **2.** domestic flight | **b.** a boat or ship that carries people, vehicles and goods across a river or across a narrow part of the sea |
| **3.** mile | **c.** a journey in an aircraft, where the departure and the arrival take place in the same country |
| **4.** ferry | **d.** the act or process of cleaning and decorating something in order to make it look new again |
| **5.** offer | **e.** to ask someone if they would like to have something or if they would like you to do something |

**1 -** **2 -** **3 -** **4 -** **5 -**

**Part 2: Read then decide if the following statements are Yes (Y), No (N), or Not Given (NG).**

**Yes:** the statement agrees with the views of the writer.

**No:** the statement contradicts the views of the writer.

**Not Given:** It is impossible to know from the text what the writer's point of view is.

1. The route between Papa Westray to Westray is officially the shortest scheduled domestic flight in the world. _____
2. There is more than a mile between Papa Westray to Westray. _____
3. The teenagers rarely take the ferry to Westray Junior High. _____
4. Loganair does not charge to fly Westray Junior High students to school. _____
5. It is uncomfortable to stay with host families so the six teenagers catch a return flight on Thursday. _____
6. Teenagers from Papa Westray island do not enjoy the flying. _____

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**4. Read then decide if the following statements are Yes (Y), No (N), or Not Given (NG).**

**The History of Cars**

Cars are the most popular type of motorized transportation. We use cars to go to work or school, to go shopping, and for vacation. There are family cars, fast sports cars, and special cars like police cars and taxis. We have only had cars for about 120 years. People laughed at the first cars. Two German engineers, Daimler and Benz, made the first car with a gasoline engine in 1885. It only had three wheels.

From about 1905, companies like Rolls-Royce started to make cars. They were very expensive because people made each car by hand. Then, in 1913, the Ford Motor Company started to make their Model T car in a special factory. Ford's factories produced cars quickly, so the Model T was less expensive than other cars. By 1927, there were more than 15 million Model T cars on the roads. In America, drivers preferred large cars but in Europe and Asia, small cars were popular because they were better in city traffic.

1. All people dislike cars. _____
2. Daimler and Benz made the first car in 1885 and it was slow and noisy. _____
3. The Ford Model T was costly to produce. _____
4. About 15 million Model T cars appeared between 1913 and 1927. _____
5. Gasoline in the USA was cheap and people wanted to travel long distances, so American drivers liked large cars. _____
6. Small cars are European and Asian favourite because of their convenience. _____

## D LISTENING

# FORM COMPLETION

**1. Track 5 Listen and circle the numbers you hear. Then write their written forms.**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1. _____ | a. 18 | b. 80 |
| 2. _____ | a. 30 | b. 13 |
| 3. _____ | a. 18 | b. 80 |
| 4. _____ | a. 40 | b. 14 |
| 5. _____ | a. 15 | b. 50 |

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2. **Track 6** **Listen to these sentences and write down the numbers you hear.**

1. _____ 4. _____

2. _____ 5. _____

3. _____

3. **Track 7** **Listen to the following conversations and choose the correct answer.**

1. a. McKeon b. McEwan c. MacKeon

2. a. Westborne b. Westerborne c. Westbourne

4. **Track 8** **Listen and write down the names you hear.**

1. _____ 4. _____

2. _____ 5. _____

3. _____

5. **Track 9** **You will hear a telephone conversation between a hotel receptionist and a caller making a reservation. Complete the form below. Write NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS AND/OR A NUMBER for each answer.**

| Sunflower Hotel | |
|---|---|
| **Number of nights** | **1** |
| **Type of room (choose one)** | (1) Single / Double – twin beds / Double – king-sized bed |
| **Name** | (2) _____ |
| **Home address** | (3) _____ Avenue Cambridge |
| **Postcode** | (4) _____ |
| **Transport** | (5) _____ |
| **Meals** | (6) _____ |
| **Date of arrival** | (7) _____ |

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6. Track 10 **You will hear a telephone conversation in which Sam is booking a taxi. Listen and complete the form. Write NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS AND/OR A NUMBER for each answer.**

| Grab Taxi | |
|---|---|
| **Name of passenger** | Sam Williams |
| **Pick-up date and time** | Wed 6th July (1) _____ |
| **Pick-up point**<br>**- No. & Street**<br>**- Town**<br>**- Postcode** | (2) _____ Willowside Bank<br>(3) _____<br>(4) _____ |
| **Mobile number** | (5) 07789_____ |
| **Destination** | Heathrow-Terminal 5 |

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