

Text A: "Eco-friendly transportation"

a) Answer the following questions.

1. Why were Mr and Mrs Dizvolitsis tired of visiting family or going to the grocery store?

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2. Which phrase between lines 1 and 6 shows that Mr and Mrs Dizvolitsis were forced to use a car at times?

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3. How did the authors assume George would be?

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4. What was George's main reason for joining the car-share programme?

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5. Which word between lines 7 and 14 is closest in meaning to "sudden realization"?

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b) Some phrases have been removed from the text between lines 15 and 31. Which phrases go in the gaps? Choose the appropriate phrase.

Eco- friendly transportation alternatives

15 In George's case, the decision to car –share came down to money and convenience .But surely there are other reasons to ditch and drive? Driving is one of the single biggest polluting acts a person can make. Yet, three quarters of us (-6-)..... even when we could easily use another form of transportation. We get it, the True North, Strong and Free, with its inclement weather and massive size, feels like it was built for a car. But maybe we can start by cutting back on our car usage?

7 Tips for eco-friendly transportation

1. (-7).....catching on in Ottawa and other cities, where children walk together in groups with parental supervision.
2. Check out car-sharing companies available in your town or city.
3. Bike-sharing options are popular at several universities across Canada, while the Bixi bike-sharing program is rolling in Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver.
4. (-8)....., invest in an e-bike or scooter for quick, inter-city trips.
5. Challenge yourself by leaving the car at home for a week. By week's end, you'll appreciate your wheels and pinpoint places where you can use (-9).....
6. Rural Canadians can scout out local bus and charter companies to get across back-country roads.
7. (-10)....., plan ahead and carpool with neighbours or nearby families.