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2  5.1 Read and listen to the text about transport statistics.

Transport statistics

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is the number of hours it takes to travel from London to New York by plane.

44

is the number of platforms at New York's Grand Central Terminal station. About 700,000 people use the station every day.

300

kilometres an hour is the speed of the Spanish AVE train, which goes from the capital city Madrid to Seville, in the south of Spain, a distance of 470 kilometres. The journey takes about two and a half hours.

524

is the number of passengers who can travel in a Boeing 747-400 plane. It can fly for more than 13,000 kilometres without stopping. That's from London to Tokyo and back again.

9,288

kilometres is the distance of the Trans-Siberian railway, which goes from Moscow to the town of Vladivostok in eastern Russia. The journey takes about seven days.

60,000

is the number of taxis in Mexico City.

6,300,000

is the total kilometres of roads in the United States.

70,000,000

is the number of people who travel through London Heathrow Airport every year.

3 Read the text again and answer the questions.

1 How long does it take to travel from Madrid to Seville by the AVE train?

Two and a half hours.

2 Where does the Trans-Siberian railway begin?

3 How many people can travel on a Boeing 747-400?

4 Which country has 6,300,000 kilometres of road?

5 How many people pass through Heathrow Airport every year?

6 Which city has 60,000 taxis?

7 Which railway station has forty-four platforms?

8 How long does it take to fly from London to New York?

