

A QUESTION OF TRANSPORT

- 1 What stops people using public transport most?
 - a The cost.
 - b That it doesn't run frequently enough.
 - c The amount of crime you get on the buses and trains.
 - d The fact that it's filthy and run-down.
 - e The fact that it's so crowded.
- 2 Which of these do you think is a real problem with transport?
 - a The shortage of parking spaces in the city centre.
 - b The lack of investment in cycle lanes and facilities.
 - c The fact that public transport is badly co-ordinated.
 - d The speed limits that are imposed on drivers.
 - e The **sheer number** of cars on the roads
- 3 Which single thing would most improve your town or city?
 - a Introducing a charge for vehicles to enter the centre of town.
 - b The introduction of stricter speed limits.
 - c Reducing the number of bus stops.
 - d Creating a new underground line.
 - e **Getting rid of** all parking restrictions.
- 4 Which of these is the scariest?
 - a Being in a car when the driver texts while they're driving.
 - b Being in a car when the driver overtakes on a corner.
 - c Being on a very bumpy flight.
 - d Cycling in the city on a busy main road.
 - e Being stuck in a tunnel on a train.
- 5 What bad driving habit do you find most annoying?
 - a When people stick to the middle lane on the motorway.
 - b When people drive too slowly.
 - c People not indicating before they pull out or turn.
 - d Drivers not giving enough space to cyclists.
 - e Drivers not stopping to let **pedestrians** cross the road when they're waiting at a **crossing**.
- 6 What do you like best about train travel?
 - a That you can work during the journey.
 - b The fact you can relax and sleep.
 - c The amount of space you have.
 - d The fact that you get to meet new people.
 - e That I hardly ever have to do it.
- 7 Which behaviour do you find most strange?
 - a Standing in the queue to board a plane an hour before it starts boarding.
 - b Leaping up to get off the plane as soon as it lands.
 - c People wearing masks when cycling or walking to work.
 - d Parents taking their kids to school by car.
 - e People taking cabs when there's perfectly good public transport available.
- 8 Which concerns you most?
 - a The amount of pollution caused by traffic.
 - b The number of accidents on the roads.
 - c The high rate of bicycle thefts.
 - d Oil running out sometime in the not-too-distant future.
 - e The ever-increasing number of aeroplanes in the skies.



▶ 60 Listen to two friends talking about driving experiences. Lily is from Britain and Sanjar was born in Iran. Answer the questions.

- 1 What laws did Lily break?
- 2 What's her punishment?
- 3 How did she feel about driving in Paris, and why?
- 4 What's driving in Tehran like?

▶ 60 Listen again. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

- 1 Lily went over the time she'd paid for on the machine.
- 2 Lily argued with a police officer about it.
- 3 Lily's not going to appeal against the fine.
- 4 She was stopped by the police for speeding.
- 5 Sanjar doesn't think speeding is a problem in Britain.
- 6 Some other drivers didn't like Lily's driving when she was in France.
- 7 Sanjar was surprised that pedestrians in Britain weren't more careful.
- 8 They both agree that drivers are more polite in Britain.