

UNIT 7 – LESSON 6

Exercise 1: Listen and complete the text about traffic. (Track 13)

TRAFFIC

There is too much traffic on our roads. In (1) , it may take 20 minutes to go through a 02-kilometer road by (2)

Everyone agrees that something has to be done to solve this problem. No one likes to spend much time going to school or the (3) Going home takes even more time.

It is not easy to build more or (4) the roads because it is expensive. So, the answer here is to reduce the number of vehicles.

(5) may be the solution to the traffic jam.

The problem is that time is golden, so not everyone agrees to wait for (6) of public transport such as buses or (7) Another problem is that they may not like to be (8) in a (9) bus. The last problem is that the buses cannot go in a small road, so some people who work in a small road will have to walk for a while.

The answer to (10) has not been found out.

Exercise 2: Read the passage and choose the best option to answer each of the following questions.

In the UK, bus journeys are just boring and simply a necessity. This public means of transportation is often convenient when you live or work in the city centre, as you can avoid traffic jams by moving very quickly in the bus lanes, and do not have to pay to park the car. After all, though, taking the bus is just a necessary and **tedious** part of life: you board the bus, pay the driver and sit down or find a place to stand. Very boring.

In Latin America, however, bus trips can be very lively. For a start, long-distance buses **put on** films so that you have entertainment for at least some of the journey. Naturally, local transport does not show films but drivers usually switch on the radio and that can be a great way to hear new songs and new styles of music. Therefore, taking the bus doesn't sound like fun but it is much more exciting than any UK bus journey.

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1. What is the main idea of the passage?
A. Buses in the UK are very convenient.
B. Bus journeys are different in the UK and in Latin America.

C. Bus journeys in the UK are boring.

D. Films are shown on long-distance buses in Latin America.

2. Public transport in the UK is convenient because you can avoid _____.

A. traffic accidents B. policemen C. traffic jams D. bus lanes

3. The word “**tedious**” in line 3 means _____.

A. not interesting B. exciting C. wonderful D. important

4. The phrasal verb “**put on**” in the first sentence of the second paragraph can be replaced with “_____”.

A. close B. wear C. play D. open

5. Which of the following statements is NOT MENTIONED about bus journeys in Latin America?

A. Passengers can entertain during their trip by watching films.

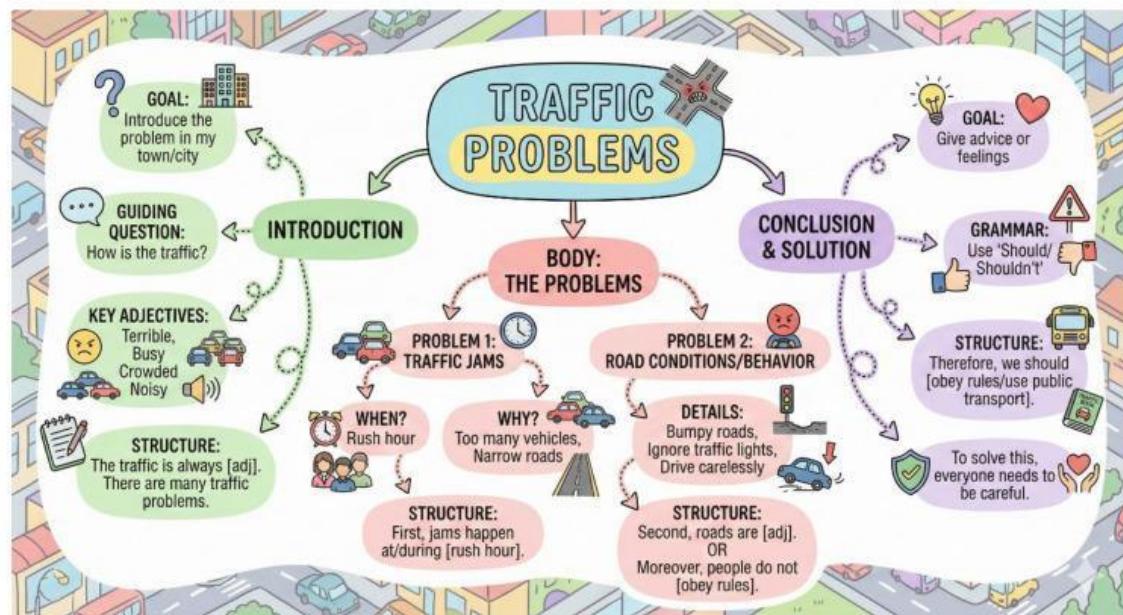
B. Drivers play new styles of music on the radio.

C. They are more exciting than bus trips in the UK.

D. They are more expensive than bus trips in the UK.

Exercise 3: Write a paragraph of about 70 words about the traffic problems in your town / city.

Outline:



Answer: