

Test

- COMPREHENSION OF ORAL TEXTS

Exercise: [skimming and scanning]

Listen to the four audios talking about transport.

Skimming exercise: Match each message with the means of transport described.

Message 1



Message 2



Message 3



Message 4



Scanning exercise: Answer the following questions about the listening dialogues:

1. How is Elsa travelling to New York?
2. How often does the train leave from the airport?
3. Why doesn't Adam recommend the taxi?
4. Which is the slowest way to go from the airport to Adam's house?
5. Where are Adam and Elsa meeting on Thursday?
6. Which means of transport is Adam taking to work?

• **COMPREHENSION OF WRITTEN TEXTS**

Driverless cars

Imagine arriving at work without _____, getting out of your _____ and saying "Thank you!", and your car replying, "You're welcome!" This may sound unreal, but in fact many car companies are already testing robotic cars, or 'driverless cars', on the roads today.

In the 1980s, Germany and the United States tested the first driverless cars, and by 2022 companies such as Volvo, GM, Nissan and BMW plan to sell driverless cars. Driverless cars are not really 'driverless' – the 'drivers' are computers that use radar, computer _____ and other modern technology. They offer many advantages. Perhaps the most important of these is fewer deaths caused by road _____. For example, in 1968 more than 53,000 people lost their lives in car accidents in the U.S.A. This number has fallen to less than 33,000 but it is still a high number. In addition, people will spend less time stuck in _____ and there will be no need for people to have a driving _____. One of the major disadvantages of the new technology, however, is the cost. They are much more expensive than standard cars. \$5,000 to \$10,000 is added to the price of a new car. Nevertheless, at some time in your life, you will probably be sitting in a robotic, driverless car on your way to work or on your way to school. The future is almost here. Are you ready for it?

(Adapted from https://www.allthingstopics.com/uploads/2/3/2/9/23290220/lesson-driving-roboticcars2_6_.pdf)

Exercise(s): [skimming&scanning]

Skimming exercise: Fill in the gaps in the text with the following words:

car	maps	driving	traffic jams
license		accidents	

Scanning exercise: Write 'T' (True) or 'F' (False) next to each statement and correct the false ones.

1. Car companies have already lunched robotic cars.
2. The first driverless cars were tested in the 1980s.
3. The driver of a driverless car is a computer.
4. Driverless cars cause more accidents than standard cars.
5. Driverless cars are the cheapest cars.

• **PRODUCTION OF WRITTEN TEXTS**

Exercise(s): Which is your favourite means of transport? And the one that you hate the most? Write a text of 80-100 words comparing both means of transports explaining why you love one and why you hate the other. Remember to use the vocabulary and grammar learnt in this unit:

- Vocabulary about transportation (session 1 and 3).
- Comparatives and superlatives (session 2).