

PET Listening Part 3 – Self-Driving Cars

You will hear a student giving a short presentation about self-driving cars.
For each question, choose the correct answer: A, B or C.

Questions

1. Why are self-driving cars becoming more common?

- A. They are cheaper than ordinary cars.
- B. New technology is making them more advanced.
- C. Most people prefer travelling alone.

2. What is one problem pedestrians may have with autonomous cars?

- A. They cannot always understand what the car intends to do.
- B. They cannot hear the car approaching.
- C. They do not know how to use traffic lights.

3. How do people usually communicate with human drivers?

- A. By using mobile phones.
- B. By using eye contact and gestures.
- C. By standing in the middle of the road.

4. What can an autonomous car use to communicate with pedestrians?

- A. Lights or screens.
- B. Loud music.
- C. A human passenger.

5. Why can jaywalking be difficult for a self-driving car?

- A. The pedestrian may behave unexpectedly.

B. The pedestrian may be difficult to see at night.

C. The pedestrian may not know the traffic rules.

6. What are researchers mainly trying to improve?

A. The appearance of autonomous cars.

B. The speed of robotaxis.

C. Communication between cars and people.



Listening – Complete the Summary

Listen to the talk about self-driving cars and complete the summary.

Self-Driving Cars

Self-driving cars, also called **(1)** _____ **cars**, are an important new technology. However, there are some concerns from **(2)** _____ such as pedestrians and cyclists.

With a human driver, people can use **(3)** _____ and gestures to understand the driver's intention. Autonomous cars need other ways to **(4)** _____ with people, such as lights, screens or animations.

Another challenge is dealing with unexpected situations, such as **(5)** _____. Cars need to use cameras and sensors to identify a **(6)** _____ and react quickly.

Researchers are **(7)** _____ ways to make autonomous cars safer and easier for people to understand.