UNIT 4 TRANSPORT 1

A. VOCABULARY

1. Complete the following sentences using the words/ expressions in the box:

appetising	suppressed	adage	appeal	validity	inherent	diminish
aversion to	dictate	intermingle	spectrum	insatiable	appetite for	dominant

The tasting menu spans a broad _____ of flavours, from the delicate sweetness of steamed crab to the sharp acidity of pickled vegetables.

The chef adds a squeeze of lime to balance the_____ richness of the coconut milk.

Despite her _____ raw tomatoes, she happily eats them when they're slow-roasted with garlic and olive oil.

Although the broth contains several spices, star anise remains the _____ flavour.

The chef follows the old _____ that we eat with our eyes, arranging even the simplest dishes with care.

Driven by her _____ curiosity about regional cooking, she asks market vendors how they prepare ingredients she's never seen before.

The success of the night market reveals a growing _____ affordable alternatives to chain restaurants.

The soup looked far more _____ once it was topped with fresh herbs and a swirl of chilli oil.

Adding delicate herbs too early can _____ their aroma, so stir them in just before serving.

At this restaurant, the seasons _____ what goes on the menu, so even regular customers can expect something new.

The chef questioned the _____ of the taste test because some diners knew which dishes contained the more expensive ingredients.

As the curry simmers, the aromas of ginger, lemongrass and toasted spices _____.

The café's _____lies partly in its simplicity: it serves a handful of dishes and does them all well.

The tasters found that the extra sugar _____ the grapefruit's bitterness without completely masking it.

LIVEWORKSHEETS

2. **Match the definitions with the words in the box:**

passenger	liner	catastrophic	arrival time	balloon	tram
platform	fatalities	livelihoods	coach	ferry	trauma
conductor	travelling companion	departure time	swell	potholed	yacht

a comfortable bus for carrying passengers over long distances: _____

a person who is travelling in a car, bus, train, plane or ship and not driving it or working on it: _____

a person whose job is to collect money from passengers on a bus or train or check their tickets: ____

a vehicle driven by electricity that runs on rails along the streets of a town and carries passengers: _____

a large boat with an engine and a place to sleep on board, used for pleasure trips: _____

a large ship that carries passengers: _____

someone who shares all or part of a journey, trip, or expedition with you: _____

an aircraft made of strong material that is filled with hot air or gas to make it rise in the air, usually carrying a basket for passengers: _____

a boat or ship that carries people, vehicles and goods across a river or across a narrow part of the sea: _____

describing a road that is damaged, with dents and hollows in it: _____

deaths as a result of an accident: _____

the specific time when a person, vehicle, package, or public transport service reaches its destination: _____

a severe injury caused by an accident: _____

A raised strip beside railway tracks where passengers wait to board or exit trains: _____

causing sudden or great harm or destruction: _____

the scheduled time when a train, bus, plane, or other form of transport leaves its starting point or gate: _____

to increase or make something increase in number or size: _____

ways of earning money in order to survive: _____

LIVEWORKSHEETS

B. READING

You are going to read an article about cycling. For questions **43–52**, choose from the cyclists **(A–D)**. The cyclists may be chosen more than once.

I love my bike

Four young Dubliners talk about the joys of cycling in the city

A Erin

This old second-hand bike gets me from A to B all right because you don't need flashy sets of gears or anything like that in a city this size and it makes it less of a target for thieves. But having said that, mine's a very bright colour – it cheers me up, especially when I have to cycle home in the pouring rain. I've always thought that the bike was a good reflection of the real me actually, and I usually wear jeans when I'm cycling. I might need to rethink that though because I've just started my own company, and my outlook on life has changed a little. There may be times when I need to turn up looking a bit more elegant! I'd say to anyone thinking of getting a bike, make sure the saddle's right before you part with your money. If you're going to use it a lot, you don't want to get sore.

B Luke

I bought my bike from an Internet auction site and had to have it shipped from Germany in pieces. I then paid to have it assembled here in Dublin – but it was worth it. I use it every day and tend to wear everyday clothes and try and dodge the showers. I cycle all over the city because it's much quicker than walking and you don't get snarled up in the traffic, which can be a pain in a motor vehicle. At least on a bike you can keep moving. The only tip I'd give to novice cyclists round here is keep a lookout for drivers turning left, it's easy for them to miss you because you can see what they're doing but they can't necessarily see you. I worked briefly as a cycle courier — delivering letters and stuff. It was fun, but I wouldn't recommend making a career out of it!

C Claire

My parents picked this bike up for me in New York. It's a red and black cruiser with a burger-shaped bell — some of my friends think that's a bit uncool, but I don't really go along with that idea. I've got two helmets, a summer and a winter version but I still get too hot on really sunny days. Still, you can't really do without one, can you? I cycle down to college in no time at all, but the uphill trek home takes me around

When talking about their bike, which cyclist

43 accepts the need to wear uncomfortable safety equipment? _____

44 advises people to make sure a new bike is comfortable to ride? _____

45 believes that false information was given by the seller? _____

46 disagrees with other people's opinion of one of the bike's features? _____

47 hopes not to get caught in bad weather on the bike? _____

48 feels that cycling is less frustrating than driving? _____

49 finds some cycle journeys easier than others? _____

50 feels that the bike matches the owner's character? _____

51 was once the victim of bike crime? _____

52 was a professional cyclist for a short time? _____

LIVEWORKSHEETS

thirty-five minutes. I only take the bus if it's wet. It's quicker, but on the bike I can make my own mind up about when I travel. I cycle in high heels, which you might think would be tricky, but is actually easier than walking any distance in them. But I wouldn't really recommend them to other cyclists.

D Kieran

My bike's an early 1980s racer and I bought it off an old man who sells junk out of his garage. He reckoned it had once belonged to a professional cycling champion, but I think he was making it up. I was looking for old cameras, but when I saw it I couldn't resist it. It did get stolen on one occasion, but then later that week I saw someone riding it up my street. I grabbed him and gave him his taxi fare home so that I could take it back. My advice to cyclists would be to wear fluorescent armbands, especially at night or in poor weather conditions. They're less uncomfortable than the waistcoats or jackets in the same material. I've just invested in special raingear actually, but I don't find it very comfortable, to be honest, because as soon as the sun comes out, you feel overdressed.

43 accepts the need to wear uncomfortable safety equipment? _____

44 advises people to make sure a new bike is comfortable to ride? _____

45 believes that false information was given by the seller? _____

46 disagrees with other people's opinion of one of the bike's features? _____

47 hopes not to get caught in bad weather on the bike? _____

48 feels that cycling is less frustrating than driving? _____

49 finds some cycle journeys easier than others? _____

50 feels that the bike matches the owner's character? _____

51 was once the victim of bike crime? _____

52 was a professional cyclist for a short time? _____

LIVEWORKSHEETS

C. **WRITING:** In your English class, you have had a discussion about fast food.

Here are two comments from your friends:

''I don't think fast food is good for you – it's not 'real' food.''

''Fast food is great – I don't have to cook!''

Write an article for your teacher, giving your views. The comments above may give you some ideas, and you should try to use some ideas of your own.

Your article should be between 150 and 200 words long. You will receive up to 10 marks for the content of your article, and up to 9 marks for the style and accuracy of your language.

LIVEWORKSHEETS