

## VOCABULARY & NEW EXPRESSIONS

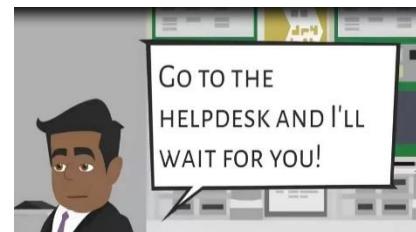
### Either this or that

- ⇒ We use this expression when we are confused between two possibilities.
- ☞ There is a problem with the card.  
1<sup>st</sup> possibility: the problem is with the card.  
2<sup>nd</sup> possibility: the problem is with the machine.
- ☞ Sonia says:  
*"The card is not working. It's either the card or the machine."*



### The helpdesk

- ⇒ A desk or an office we go to if we have a problem with something.
- ☞ When Sonia faces a problem with the metro card, Gareth advised her to go to the **helpdesk**.



### The platform

- ☞ Sonia agrees to visit the **helpdesk** and suggests to catch up with Gareth at the **platform** after solving her problem.



### To run out of something (water, time, credit, ...)

- ⇒ Means you don't have enough of it.
- ☞ Sonia doesn't have enough credits in her metro card.
- ☞ We say:  
*"The card ran out of credits."*
- ☞ In this case we use the verb (**to run out**) in the past simple (**ran**)



**To top-up something (account, card, ...)**

- ⇒ To put money in it to get credits.
- ⇒ After her card runs out of credits, now Sonia has to **top-up** her metro card again.
- ⇒ She has to **top-up** at least 10 dollars which is the minimum requirements.



**To take you forever somewhere.**

- ⇒ To stay somewhere for a long time.
- ⇒ Sonia **took her forever** at the helpdesk.



**The metro train is leaving**

- ⇒ To leave means to move from where you are.
- ⇒ Now, Gareth is waiting for Sonia at the platform.
- ⇒ Sonia **took her forever in the helpdesk**.
- ⇒ Now they are running late. And the metro train is leaving.



## HOMEWORK

Task: Re-read / re-watch the video and answer the following questions.

Q01: What means of transport do Gareth and Sonia use?

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Q02: Why Sonia can't use the metro? (use "either ... or ...")

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Q03: Where did Sonia go to get help? And where did Gareth wait for her?

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Q04: Did Sonia have enough credits in her metro card? →

**Q05:** How long did it take her at the helpdesk?



**Q06:** Did they miss the metro train eventually?

