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**How do you get to work?**

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**Reading**

**1. Underline the disadvantages of this means of transportation.**

**2. What is the only advantage mentioned in the description?**

**R:** *The only advantage od this means of transportation is the cost. It is very cheap.*

**IN PAKISTAN** most people travel by bus to get from one town another. In the less populated parts of the country many journeys take a day and there is a bus only once or twice a week. It is a dangerous means of transportation, and the buses sometimes break down. The roads are often in bad condition and the journeys are very slow and uncomfortable. It is a good idea to take food and drink because there are not always restaurants or stores on the route. The buses are usually very crowded with whole families traveling together. Many people sit on the roof where it is very hot in the summer and cold in winter. The only advantage od this means of transportation is the cost. It is very cheap.

**Grammar**

1. Match these questions with the sentences below.

1. How long is John’s working day? ( 3 ) I go to work by bus.

2. What does Helen do? ( 4 ) She always goes to the office by bike.

3. How do you go to work? ( 6 ) It’s about half an hour.

4. How does Mary go to work? ( 5 ) He takes it twice a week.

5. How often does Paul take a taxi? ( 2 ) She is a secretary.

6. How far is it? ( 1 ) He works eight hours a day.

**2. Write questions for these answers.**

a. R: *How long does it take* ?

It takes about an hour.

b. R: *How do you travel* ?

I go by car.

c. R: *How much does it cost* ?

Fifty cents.

d.R: *How far is it* ?

It’s about thirty miles.

**3. Answer the following questions with your own answers.**

a. Where do you live?

R: *I live in Jales, São Paulo.*

b. Where do you study?

R: *I study at Fatec Jales University.*

c. How do you get to college?

R: *I go to college on foot.*

d. How far is it?

R: *The college is about two blocks from home.*

e. How long does it take?

R: *It takes me about five minutes to get there.*

**4. What are the new vocabulary for you in the passage?**

**R:** *blocks, dangerous, crowded, traveling together, cheap.*

**5. When we talk about transportation, what are the appropriated prepositions for these?**

a. *by* car b. *on* foot c. *on* horse d. *by* bus e. *by* van f. *by* cab

**6. Write the sentences in a different way, but DON’T change the meaning.**

a. Lucy goes to school by motorcycle.

R: *Lucy uses a motorcycle to go to school.*

b. I walk to college

R: *I commute to college by walking.*

c. I get to work by bus.

R: *I reach work using a bus.*

d. They travel to work by van.

R: *They use a van for their work commute.*

e. John takes a taxi to get to work.

R: *To get to work, John relies on a taxi.*

f. Josh takes the bus to work.

R: *Josh commutes to work via the bus.*

g. My friends go to work by plane.

R: *My friends travel to work via plane.*

h. Students in Amazonia get to school by boat.

R: *In Amazonia, students travel to school on boats.*

**7. What’s your favourite means of transportation?**

R: My favourite means of transportation is a motorcycle.

**8. Put these activities in order. Number the parentheses.**

( 5 ) have lunch

( 7 ) go to bed.

( 4 ) finish school

( 2 ) have breakfast

( 3 ) start school

( 6 ) have dinner

( 1 ) get up

**9. Answer the following questions about people in your country.**

a. What time do children go to school?

R: *It varies, but children usually go to school in the morning, around 7:00 or 8:00 a.m.*

b. When do most people finish work?

R: *It depends, but many people finish work around 5:00 or 6:00 p.m.*