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Paul is a very successful businessman. He owns several restaurants. All of them are doing well. In fact ,they are very profitable.To be profitable means that their income is more than their expenses. As a result, he is making a lot of money. Paul wants to buy a new car. He is trying to decide which car to buy. He has plenty of money. As a result, he isn't worried about the cost. He can afford an expensive car. On the other hand, he doesn't want to waste money. He wants a car he can rely on.It has to be safe and reliable, especially in cold winter weather. If a car breaks down in bad weather, it can be very dangerous.

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Paul wants to help reduce pollution and smog.He would like to buy a clean car, something good for the environment. He's thinking about buying a Texla.The Texla is an all electric car.It use batteries instead of gasoline.There is no exhaust,so it doesn't pollute the air.However, the car can't go very far without recharge the battery.To charge the battery,you can plug it into an electrical outlet.Recharging the battery takes time.One of Paul's friends has one and is quite happy with it.He says it's reliable and well-engineered.There are also several charging stations near Paul's office.So he isn't worried about that.The cost for charging the battery is low.It's less expensive than buying gasoline.His wife, Kathy, also like the idea of buying an electric car.She likes the idea of driving a clean car.So it makes sense.

In the future,there may be driverless cars.These may be very safe,but Paul doesn't like them.He enjoys driving.He likes to be in control the car.

Vocabulary:Spatial Relations & Needs

The man in the middle is the heaviest.The man in the middle is heavier than the other two.The woman on the left is smarter than the man on the right.The man isn't as smart as the woman is.The woman is standing under a bridge.The bridge is above the woman.There is a bridge over the river.The river is flowing beneath the bridge.The water is flowing over a waterfall.The waterfall is very

high and beautiful.

People need passports to travel internationally. Without a passport you cannot leave your country or enter another country. You need a driver's license to drive a car. It is against the law to drive without a driver's license. Many people use credit cards to buy things on credit. When you have a credit card you don't need to carry cash. Smart Phones are very useful and can do many things. You can use them to make phone calls, play games or go shopping on internet. We need to buy tickets in order to take a train or watch a sports event. You can often buy tickets online, and sometimes you can get a discount.

Vocabulary: Places of Business

Banks are where people can deposit or withdraw money. You can also use online banking to pay bills, such as your credit card bill. Hotels are where travelers can stay overnight or for several days. If you plan to stay at a hotel, you should make a reservation. Restaurants are where people go to eat with friends or family. There are many different kinds of restaurants, such as Indian, Italian or Chinese restaurant. Repair shops are where people go to fix things which are broken or not working right. This repair shop fixes cars and can check to see if it is safe to drive. Coffee shops are very favorite place to meet new people or take a break from the office. They are usually less expensive than restaurants.