

Activity Type

Vocabulary Game:
guessing, gap-fill (pair
work)

Focus

Transport vocabulary

Aim

To practice transport-
related verbs, adjectives,
and nouns.

Preparation

Make one copy of the
game board and cards
for each pair of students.
Cut the cards out as
indicated.

Level

Pre-intermediate (A2)

Time

25 minutes

Introduction

In this transport vocabulary game, students complete sentences with transport-related verbs, adjectives, and nouns.

Procedure

Before starting the game, preview the vocabulary on the game board and pre-teach some of the less familiar words, such as *due* or *customs*, if necessary.

Next, divide the students into pairs (Student A and B).

Give each pair a copy of the game board and a set of cards.

Ask the students to shuffle the cards and place them face-down on the table.

Students then take turns picking up a card and reading out the gap-fill sentence to their partner using the word 'blank' for the missing word.

Their partner then has one chance to guess the missing word by choosing a transport-related verb, adjective or noun from the game board and saying it in its correct form.

If the student guesses the correct transport word in its correct form, they give themselves one point and write it in the appropriate column on the game board.

If the student guesses the wrong word or gives the wrong word form, no points are awarded for that turn.

Play continues until all the cards have been read out and guessed.

Afterwards, students add up their points.

The student with the most points wins the game.

Note: There are a few extra words in the word boxes to make the game more challenging.

Verbs						
depart	book	catch	change	land	reserve	take
	get in	ride	check in	fly		
Adjectives						
quick	return	due	international	full	empty	cheap
	free	expensive				
Nouns						
directions	wheel	flight	fare	bicycle	traffic	platform
engine	boat	ship	seat	customs	ticket	coach
						motorcycle

Student A	
Turn	Score
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	
7.	
8.	
9.	
10.	
11.	
12.	
13.	
14.	
Total:	

Student B	
Turn	Score
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	
7.	
8.	
9.	
10.	
11.	
12.	
13.	
14.	
Total:	



If your car won't start, you should check the

Answer: engine

The bus was so that I couldn't get on.

Answer: full

My first trip was from New York to London.

Answer: international

There were only three people on the bus. It was almost

Answer: empty

The train was at 3 p.m., but they told us it was going to be late.

Answer: due

It's important to flights as early as possible if you want good prices.

Answer: book

The from England to Australia takes more than 20 hours.

Answer: flight

I rented a small to get to the island.

Answer: boat

When the taxi arrived, I as quickly as possible because it was raining.

Answer: got in

When I arrived at the airport, I gave them my passport to

Answer: check in

I'm going to the city today and coming back tonight, so I'll need a ticket.

Answer: return

The bus went up, and now it's very expensive.

Answer: fare

My on the plane was very uncomfortable.

Answer: seat

I ride my to work because it uses less petrol than my car.

Answer: motorcycle



When you buy bus tickets online, they ask if you want to a specific seat.

Answer: reserve

Many people don't like to the bus because it takes a long time.

Answer: ride

Cities want people to use to get around because they don't affect the environment.

Answer: bicycles

We decided to travel to London by because although it was slower, it was much cheaper.

Answer: coach

The on my bike was making a strange noise, so I took it to the shop.

Answer: wheel

We are going to sail on a with 3000 other passengers.

Answer: ship

The plane was supposed to leave at 4 p.m., but it will now at 6 p.m.

Answer: depart

The officer looked through my bags when I passed through at the airport.

Answer: customs

After 12 hours of flying, the plane finally

Answer: landed

I waited on the for almost 20 minutes before the train arrived.

Answer: platform

To get to the centre of London, I had to trains twice.

Answer: change

I need to the bus at 8 a.m. if I want to arrive on time.

Answer: catch

When I got on the bus, there was only one seat, so I left it for someone else.

Answer: free

We arrived late because there was a lot of on the road.

Answer: traffic