

LANGUE VIVANTE 1 : ANGLAIS

Cette épreuve comporte deux (02) pages numérotées 1/2 et 3/3.

PART ONE : READING (8 points)

Read the text below and do all the activities that follow it on your answer sheet

WHAT MEANS OF TRANSPORT DO YOU CHOOSE FOR YOUR TRIP?

When you are on holiday and intend to go to seaside or travel abroad as a tourist, you should first of all decide on the means of travelling.

You can travel by train, by car and of course by plane. Travelling by plane is more comfortable, more convenient and quicker than any other method. But not everybody likes it. Some people say they do not see very much of the country they go to. Trains are good enough for them. They enjoy the movement and the excitement of railway stations, the shouts of porters and pushing luggage along the platforms and the sight of trains ready to start.

Some holiday-makers are all for travelling by sea. Of course one can watch the sun rise and set, which is unforgettable sight. For people who get seasick, a sea voyage is out of the question. If you go by car, you may spend part of your holiday moving from place to place. You can stop wherever you like.

Whatever means of transport you choose, it is advisable to book accommodation in advance. You can book tickets yourself or do that through telephone.

Source: <http://language123.blogspot.com/2008/04/what-mean-of-travelling-you-choose-for.html>

COMPREHENSION CHECK

A- VOCABULARY: All the words in column A are from the text. Match each of them with its definition in column B. Number nine is an **example**. One word is not concerned in column B.

Example: 1-D

Column A

- 1- tourist (line 1)
- 2- to travel (line 1)
- 3- convenient (line 4)
- 4- excitement (line 6)
- 5- luggage (line 6)
- 6- to book (line 11)
- 7- holiday-makers (line 8)
- 8- to spend (line 10)
- 9- unforgettable (line 9)

Column B

- A- people going for vacation
- B- to make a reservation
- C- hardworking
- D- a person who travels to make some discoveries
- E- to go on a journey; to voyage
- F- appropriate
- G- memorable
- H- baggage
- I- happiness
- J- to pass

B- COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

Give short answers to the following questions. (Two lines maximum)

- 1- Name two means of transport mentioned in the text.
- 2- What is the best means of transport according to the author?
- 3- What is the advantage of travelling by car according to the text?
- 4- How can travellers book tickets?

PART TWO : LANGUAGE IN USE (06 points)

TASK 1: The passage below is about means of transport. Choose the suitable preposition from the box to fill in the gaps. One preposition is not concerned. Number 1 is given as an example.

At- by- in- on-out

Example: 1 – by

Jane came yesterday **1** by plane .So, I had to meet her **2**..... the airport. I decided not to go **3** foot, I went there by taxi instead. The taxi was too slow so I got out of it and walked to get on a train. 10 minutes later, I arrived at the station and got **4**..... the train to meet Jane. We returned home by taxi.

TASK 2: The sentences below are from the text. Write the correct form of the adjectives between brackets in order to express comparatives of superiority or superlatives. Number 1 is an example.

Example: 1= more comfortable

- 1- Travelling by plane is (**comfortable**) than any other method.
- 2- Booking accommodation in advance is (**advisable**) thing to do.
- 3- Trains are (**good**) means of transport for those who want to discover the landscape.
- 4- Travelling by plane is (**quick**) than travelling by car.

PART THREE : WRITING (06 points)

Do the task below:

Your American Friend John who lives in New York wants to come to your country next holidays for a visit. He wants to get informed about the means of transport available there in order to make a choice. Write him a letter in which you:

- List the means of transport available in your country.
- Tell him which means of transport you prefer and give the reasons.
- Say which means of transport you dislike and give the reasons.

(12 lines maximum)