



## TRAVEL PROBLEMS

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## TALK TO YOUR PARTNER

**Student A:** Ask questions 1–6.**Student B:** Answer, then ask your questions 1–6.

| Student A – Ask your partner                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Student B – Ask your partner                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| 1. Do you prefer travelling by bus, train, car or plane?<br>2. What would you do if you got on the wrong bus?<br>3. Have you ever missed a train or bus?<br>4. How do you find your way around a new city?<br>5. Would you ask a stranger for directions?<br>6. What is more stressful: driving in a new city or using public transport? | 1. What is the best way to travel around your city?<br>2. Have you ever bought the wrong ticket?<br>3. What would you do if your train was suddenly cancelled?<br>4. Do you usually check transport information before travelling?<br>5. Would you rather wait one hour for a bus or walk for 40 minutes?<br>6. What is the biggest problem with public transport where you live? |

## 1. Travel Problems

Choose the best answer.

- Your train is cancelled. What do you ask?
  - What other train can I take?
  - Where is my passport?
  - Is breakfast included?
- You are on the wrong bus. What do you ask?
  - Does this bus go to the city centre?
  - Is my flight delayed?
  - Can I check in?
- You bought the wrong ticket. What do you ask?
  - Could I change this ticket, please?
  - Where is my luggage?
  - What time is breakfast?
- You don't know where to get off. What do you ask?
  - Could you tell me when we arrive at Central Station?
  - Can I change my hotel?
  - Is my passport ready?

Travel Problems -  
What would you ask?

Use these phrases to ask for help when travelling – B1 English Speaking Lesson

## 1. Your train is cancelled



Excuse me, when is the next train to...?



## 2. You are on the wrong bus



Sorry, does this bus go to...?

## 3. You bought the wrong ticket



I think I bought the wrong ticket, can I change it?

## 4. You don't know where to get off



Could you tell me where to get off for...?

## 2. Complete the Conversation

Use the words: **cancelled – change – station – ticket – next – arrive**

**Passenger:** Excuse me. Is this the train to Chiang Mai?

**Staff:** No. This train goes to Lampang.

**Passenger:** Oh no! I have the wrong \_\_\_\_\_.

**Staff:** Where do you need to go?

**Passenger:** Chiang Mai.

**Staff:** You can \_\_\_\_\_ your ticket and take the \_\_\_\_\_ train.

**Passenger:** Where do I get off?

**Staff:** Chiang Mai \_\_\_\_\_.

**Passenger:** What time will we \_\_\_\_\_?

**Staff:** Around 6:30 p.m.

## 4. The Travel Problem Challenge

Choose **one** problem.

- A.** Your train is cancelled.
- B.** You are on the wrong bus.
- C.** You bought the wrong ticket.
- D.** You are going to the wrong station.

Talk with your partner.

**You must:**

- ☐ explain the problem
- ☐ ask at least two questions
- ☐ listen to the answer
- ☐ suggest a solution
- ☐ agree on what to do

## 3. Ask for Help

Work with a partner.

Student A asks the questions.

Student B gives an answer.

### Situation 1

You are at a train station.

**You need to know:**

- which platform to use
- what time the train leaves
- what time it arrives
- if the train stops at your destination

### Situation 2

You are on a bus.

You are not sure if you are on the correct bus.

**Ask:**

- Does this bus go to the city centre?
- How many stops are there?
- Where should I get off?

Change roles.

## REAL ENGLISH BOX

**These phrases are very useful when travelling:**

“Does this go to...?”

“Where should I get off?”

“Could you point me in the right direction?”

“Am I on the right train?”

“What are my options?”

## Teacher's Key

### 1. Travel Problems

1-A

2-A

3-A

4-A

### 2. Complete the Conversation

ticket

change

next

station

arrive

**Activity 3:** Open speaking activity. Accept natural answers.

**Activity 4:** Open speaking activity. Students should complete all five requirements.