

LESSON 2

ASK ABOUT PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

1 VOCABULARY Public transportation



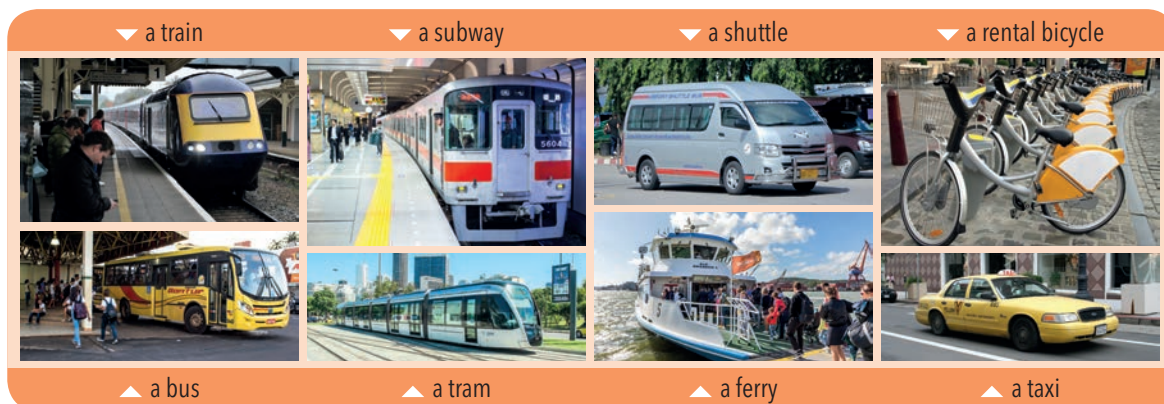
A 07-10 Listen. Then listen and repeat.



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Just listened to a nice podcast on getting around NYC. New York, I'm here! Let's go!



B PAIRS What kinds of transportation do you use? Which don't you like? Why?

A: I use trains, buses, and taxis. How about you?

B: I do, too. But I don't like buses. There are too many people on them.



2 GRAMMAR *There is / There are:* Review

Affirmative statements			
There	Be	Noun	
There	is	a ferry	to New York.
		information	online.
	are	trains	to New Jersey.

Negative statements			
There	Be + no	Noun	
There	is no	train	from here.
		money	in the ATM.
	are no	bicycles	for rent.

Yes / no questions			
Be	There	Noun	
Is	there	an ATM	near
Are		any stores	here?

Short answers					
Affirmative			Negative		
Yes,	there	is.	No,	there	isn't.
		are.			aren't.

Notes

- Remember that non-count nouns take singular verbs.
Is there time to eat before our flight?
- You can also make negative statements with *There isn't a / any* or *There aren't any*.
There isn't a train from the airport. **There isn't any** food on the ferry.
There aren't any bicycles for rent.
- In affirmative statements, we almost always use the contraction *there's*.
- In negative statements, we almost always use the contractions *isn't* and *aren't*.
- Use the full form, not the contraction, in short answers with Yes.
A: Is there a post office near here? **B:** Yes, there is. NOT Yes, *there's*.
- Use *there are*, NOT: *there're*.

Questions with
What / Which + noun
Which airport are you flying into?
What options do we have for transportation?



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3 LISTENING

- A** ▶ 07-12 Listen to the podcast. Complete the sentence.

The purpose of the podcast is to ____ about public transportation.

- a. tell a story b. provide information
c. show emotions

- B** ▶ 07-13 Listen again. Then look at the map of New York City. How can you get from Times Square to the Statue of Liberty? Circle the route on the map.

- C PAIRS** Ask and answer questions about how to get to different places on the map.

A: I'm at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Is there a bus to the Empire State Building?

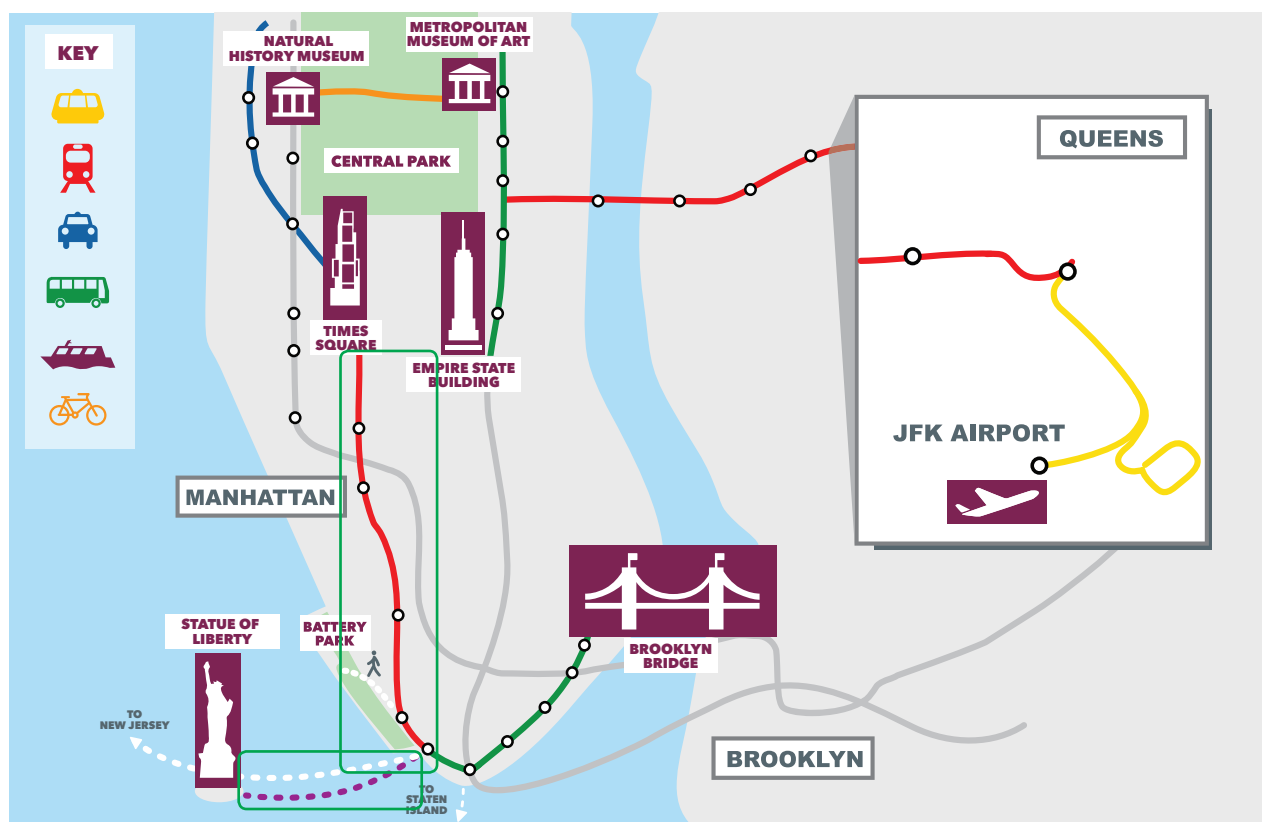
B: Yes, there is. ...

LISTENING SKILL Think about the purpose

When you listen, think about the purpose of the conversation. This will help you understand. For example, does a podcast tell a story? Does it provide information? Does it show an emotion?



Times Square



4 TRY IT YOURSELF

GAME Student A: Think of a famous place in your city. Students B and C: Ask questions about the public transportation you can take from your school to the famous place. Then guess the place.

B: Is there a bus from here to the place?

C: Which bus is it?

B: Where do you get off the bus? ...

A: Yes, there is.

A: It's the 12.

■ I CAN ASK ABOUT PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION.

