

**Means of transportation**

*Bob: Hello! I'm sorry to bother you, but I'm a little late. Can you help me?*

Mark: Sure, no problem! How may I help you?

*Bob: When is the next train to Ansonia?*

Mark: Hmm, I'm not too sure, but I think the next one leaves tomorrow at **8:00** pm.

*Bob: What! I can't wait that long! What time is the next bus?*

Mark: It should go by in about two hours. It leaves the bus station at about **5:30** pm.

*Bob: Well, I don't know. Isn't there any other option?*

Mark: You could take a taxi ...

*Bob: What's faster, the bus or the taxi?*

Mark: The taxi, of course! All you have to do is to call, ask for a taxi and it will come immediately.

*Bob: Well, yes you're right, but which is the cheapest one?*

Mark: The cheapest means of transportation I know of is the subway (metro).

*Bob: Yeah, but when have you ever seen a subway here in Connecticut?!*

Mark: You're right. But anyways, why don't you just go walking? It only takes about **25** minutes away from here.

*Bob: Oh, yeah. You're absolutely right. Thanks for your help.*

PART ONE: A/ READING COMPREHENSION (07 pts)

Activity one: complete the table with information from the conversation: (03pts)

Means of transportation	Time of departure
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Activity two: Answer the following questions: (02pts)

1/ Is the taxi faster than the bus? → .....

2/ Did Mark refuse to help Bob? → .....

Activity three: a/ Find in the dialogue words that are closest in meaning to the following:

aid = .....

departs = .....

b/ Find in the dialogue words that are opposite in meaning to the following:

early ≠ .....

wrong ≠ .....

B/ MASTERY OF LANGUAGE (07pts )

Activity one: Supply the punctuation and capital letters where necessary: ( 02pts)  
next holiday I'm going to visit paris

Activity two: Choose (a), (b), (c) or (d) to complete the following sentences (03pts)

1/ A flight is .....

- a) a trip by air                      b) a trip by sea                      c) a trip by train                      d) a trip by car

2/ A flight attendant is ..... who serves meals.

- a) an airline employee              b) a train employee              c) a ship employee              d) a metro employee

3/ A hotel guest is a person who .....

- a) works in a hotel              b) stays at a hotel              c) recommends hotels              d) leaves the hotel

Activity three: Pick out from the conversation four (04) words and classify them according to the following sounds : (02pts)

/ i / sister	/ i: / meet
1.....	1.....
2.....	2.....

PART TWO : WRITTEN EXPRESSION (06pts )

You surely travelled by train, car, bus, boat or plane and you were very pleased.

In a short paragraph, write about your favorite means of transport.

- ➔ Mention the means of transport ( car, train ,bus, plane, ship or boat , ...)
- ➔ Describe it ( fast , comfortable, cheap , secure, clean, slow, dirty , expensive, ... )
- ➔ Your feelings ( enjoyed , liked, disliked , ...)

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Good luck