

## Vehicles: Cars, Motorbikes, Planes

### Warm up

- Do you have a car, a bike, or a motorbike? What type?
- Do you like fast, expensive cars like Ferraris or Porsches? Why or why not?
- What was the first vehicle you ever owned?
- Is it easy to get your license in your country? What do you have to do?
- Do you enjoy driving? Why or why not?



### 1. Match the vehicle names in the box to the pictures below

car <i>9</i>	boat <i>6</i>	truck <i>8</i>	helicopter <i>2</i>	bike <i>5</i>
motorbike <i>7</i>	van <i>10</i>	bus <i>1</i>	scooter <i>4</i>	ambulance <i>3</i>

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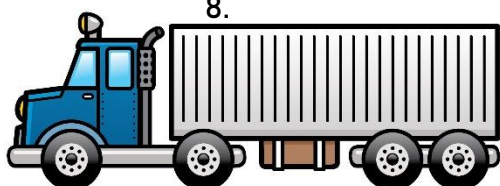
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2. Different verbs are used for different vehicles. For example, for bikes, motorbikes, and scooters, we say “ride.” Complete the table below

Vehicle	Verb	Past Simple Verb
General travel/movement	Go	<i>went</i>
Cars, Trucks, Vans	Drive	<i>Drove</i>
By foot	Walk / Run	<i>walked / ran</i>
Buses, Trains	<i>catch / take</i>	Caught / Took
Motorbikes, Scooters, Bikes	Ride	<i>rode</i>
Planes, helicopters	Fly	<i>flew</i>
<i>Boats/ships</i>	Sail	Sailed



3. Complete the dialogue below using the correct verb and then read it with a partner.

**Emma:** What did you do for your holiday Liam?

**Liam:** My family and I *drove* to France with our camper van, it was so nice!

**Emma:** You *drove* there?? Why didn't you *fly* there? Flights are very cheap at the moment.

**Liam:** Well, we bought a new van a few months ago and I wanted to *drive* it long distance. On top of that my wife hates to *fly*, she gets really scared.

**Emma:** Ok that makes sense. What did you do in France?

**Liam:** My wife and I just relaxed, we camped near a beach and *walked* along the beach together every morning, it was quite romantic.

**Emma:** And your son?

**Liam:** Well, he took his mountain bike, and he *rode* that basically every day. He's really into mountain biking at the moment, and there were some good paths near our camp, so he had a great time.



4. Read the advertisements for the vehicles and write the underlined words on the picture of the car below.

a) For sale, small fun Toyota Corolla, 228,000 km, perfect for first-time driver, there is a crack in the windshield which may need to be replaced. \$7,200 or nearest offer.

b) For sale, Ford Focus, some minor scratches but no accidents. 152,000 km, engine checked and oil replaced frequently. \$5,000 (car is manual, not automatic!)

c) For sale, 2010 classic VW camper van in great condition except for the brakes, which need to be replaced. It has four-wheel drive (4WD), so it's perfect if you want to go off road! \$17,000, no negotiation please, the price is final!

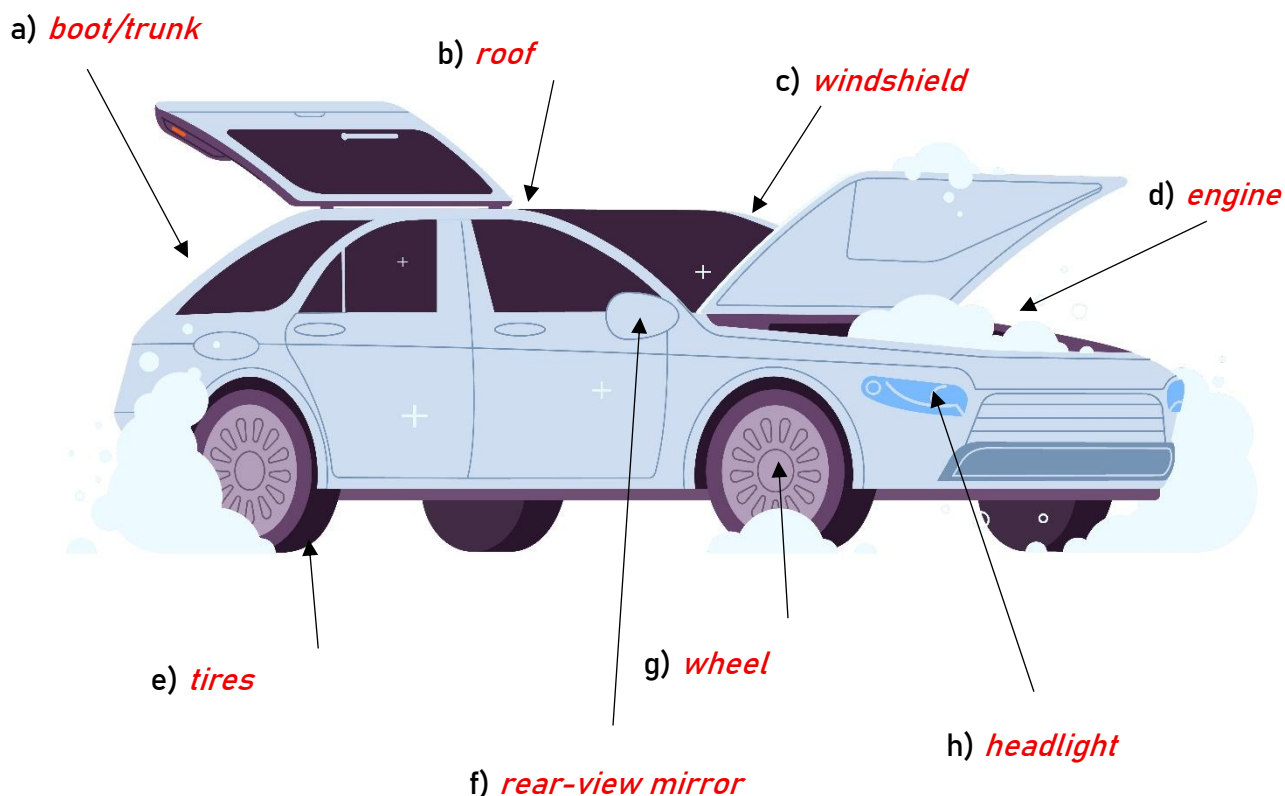
d) For sale, 2015 sports convertible Mazda MX, the roof comes down so you can enjoy the sun! Great, fun, speedy little car! \$13,000 or nearest offer.

e) For sale, Yamaha off-road motorbike, lots of damage but still a very fun motorbike for weekend adventures! Both tires are flat and will need to be pumped up. \$4000.

f) For sale, 2021 model Mini Cooper, with only 15,000 km! Great reliable car, but quite small and no boot, so don't buy if you need a lot of storage space! \$29,000.

g) For sale, 2017 automatic Vespa scooter, a modern scooter with a retro design! Some scratches and a missing rear-view mirror from an accident. \$11,000, and it comes with a cool helmet!

h) For sale, medium-sized 2013 Chevy workers truck (6 meters long, lots of storage space), plenty of power and customized extra bright headlights, so perfect for working at night! \$16,000.



I would / I would not

The word 'would' is often used to say what our actions 'would' be in an imagined (not real) situation.

For example: *"I would buy that car, that's a very good price."* Or *"I would not buy that car because it does not have air conditioning."*

The structure is 'would' + 'base verb' (would + buy).

'I would' is often shortened to "I'd", and 'I would not' is often shortened to 'I wouldn't.'

For example: *"I'd buy the motorbike."* Or *"I wouldn't buy the motorbike."*



5. Make a sentence for each vehicle in exercise 2 saying if you would or would not buy it and explain why.

For example: *"I wouldn't buy the Toyota Golf because it has 228,000 km."*

a) .....

b) .....

c) .....

d) .....

e) .....

f) .....

g) .....

h) .....



6. Read, compare, and discuss your list with a partner. What differences do you have and why?



**7. Ask and answer the questions with a partner.**

- a) When was the last time you caught a train or a bus?
- b) How often do you drive in your daily life?
- c) Would you feel comfortable in a self-driving car?
- d) If you had a million dollars, how much money would you spend on a vehicle? What type of vehicle would you buy?
- e) Would you ever ride a motorbike? Why or why not?
- f) Do you enjoy flying? Why or why not?
- g) What is the longest trip you have ever been on? How did you travel?

