

History: transport

1 **2.4** Read and listen to the text. Match the pictures to the correct paragraphs.

2 a Make a list of all the forms of transport in the text.

b Put the information in a chart like this.

form of transport	date	inventor
	1817	

3 What are these things?

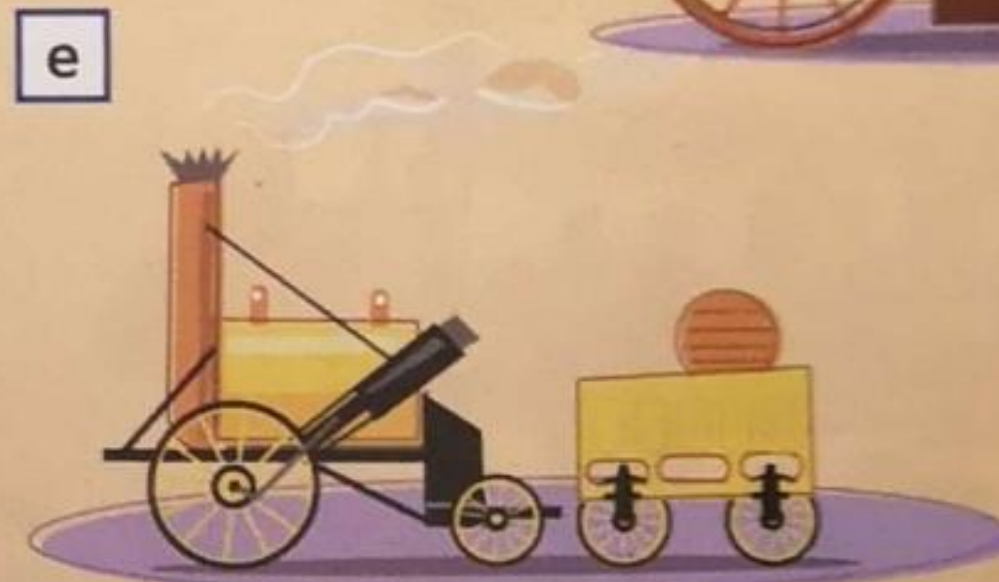
Rocket Kitty Hawk the Model T
a penny farthing an omnibus

TRAVEL

1 Today you can travel from one side of the world to the other in one day. Travel in the past was dangerous and journeys took months or even years. At first people walked everywhere. Then, over 10,000 years ago they started to use boats, and, about 4,000 years ago, they started to use animals, such as horses, camels or elephants. After that things didn't change until the nineteenth century, when people invented new forms of transport.

2 In 1817 Baron von Drais made the first bicycle in Germany. It was a heavy, wooden bike with no pedals. You pushed it with your feet. Later bikes had pedals, but some of them, like the Penny Farthing, with its large front wheel, were very dangerous.

3 In 1885 Karl Friedrich Benz made the first car and Gottlieb Daimler designed the first motorcycle. Early motor vehicles were very expensive and only rich people could buy them. Henry Ford changed that. In 1908 he started to build good, cheap cars, like the Model T, in his factory in the USA. Soon ordinary people had their own car.



4 Only ten years after the first car, the first motor bus appeared. People called it an 'omnibus' (This means 'for everybody' in Latin.) or 'bus' for short.

5 The bus wasn't the first form of motor transport 'for everybody'. That was the train. George Stephenson opened the first railway between Liverpool and Manchester in 1830. He built the first train, too. It was called Rocket and it could travel at 45 kph. Soon people could travel hundreds of kilometres in just a few hours.

6 Today planes fly thousands of kilometres and they carry hundreds of passengers. The first aeroplane, however, carried only one person. The Wright Brothers' plane, Kitty Hawk, flew for the first time in the USA in 1903. It flew for just 12 seconds and travelled 36 metres!

Past simple

1 a Complete the story of Jenny's holiday. Put the verbs in brackets into the past simple tense.

Jenny ¹was (be) very happy. It ²_____ (be) the first day of her holiday. She ³_____ (pack) her suitcase and ⁴_____ (put) her ticket and passport in her rucksack. She ⁵_____ (leave) the luggage in the hall and ⁶_____ (phone) for a taxi. Then she ⁷_____ (wait), but the taxi ⁸_____ (be) late. When the taxi finally ⁹_____ (arrive), Jenny ¹⁰_____ (rush) to the door. She ¹¹_____ (forget) that her suitcase and rucksack ¹²_____ (be) in the hall. She ¹³_____ (trip) over them, ¹⁴_____ (fall) and ¹⁵_____ (break) her arm. The taxi driver ¹⁶_____ (not take) Jenny to the airport. He ¹⁷_____ (take) her to the hospital. So Jenny ¹⁸_____ (not go) on holiday. She ¹⁹_____ (stay) at home for two weeks. And the weather ²⁰_____ (be) terrible. It ²¹_____ (rain) every day. Jenny ²²_____ (not be) happy.

b Put the pictures in the correct order.



Past simple: questions

2 a Use the cues. Make questions to complete the conversation.

- You / away / last week?
Yes, I was. We were on holiday.
Were you away last week?
- Where / you / go?
We went to Italy.
- You / have / a good time?
Yes, we did. It was really good.
- The weather / good?
Yes, it was very nice.
- You / stay in a hotel?
No, we didn't. We were in an apartment.
- There / other young people there?
Yes, there were. I made a lot of new friends.
- What / you do / there?
We spent most of the time on the beach.

b Read the conversation with a partner.

Vocabulary

3 What are these travel things?

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| 1 a kittec | 6 a gresapsen |
| 2 a nett | 7 a aciustes |
| 3 gaguleg | 8 a mapstice |
| 4 a leyrlot | 9 a cuskcrak |
| 5 a balle | 10 a sprotsap |

4 a 2.5 Listen. Where were the people last weekend?

Sarah	
Tom and Steve	
Judy	
Alice and Mary	
Chris	

b Write a sentence about each person / pair.