

Lesson 09: Taking a Taxi

Hi! How are you today?

Today's lesson is about "***Taking a Taxi.***"

Have fun learning English!

Warm-up | Useful Expressions

Directions: Listen and repeat.

- **Where are you headed?**
- **How long would it take to get there?**
- **How long does it take to get there?**
- **How much should I pay?**
- **You may keep the change.**

Activity 1 | Dialogue 1

Directions: Read the dialogue aloud with your teacher.

A lady is trying to catch a taxi to go downtown.

Lady: Hey, taxi!

Taxi Driver: **Where are you headed**, Madam?

Lady: I'm going downtown. Can you take me to Diamond Shopping Square at Green Cove Street?

Taxi Driver: Sure, I can.

Lady: **How long would it take to get there?**

Taxi Driver: It won't take that long, about fifteen to twenty minutes. The traffic isn't that heavy yet.

Lady: **How much do you think the fare would be?**

Taxi Driver: Most probably around twenty-five dollars.

Lady: Okay.

(After 17 minutes)

Taxi Driver: Here we are.

Lady: **How much should I pay?**

Taxi Driver: That will be \$23.00.

Lady: Here's twenty-five dollars. **You may keep the change.**

Taxi Driver: Thank you! Have a nice day.

Lady: You're welcome. Have a good day, too!

Check your understanding: Answer the following questions.

1. Where was the lady headed?
2. According to the driver, how long does it take to get there?
3. How long did it take for them to reach downtown?
4. How much did the fare cost?
5. How much did the lady give to the taxi driver?

Activity 2 | Dialogue 2

Directions: Complete the dialogue by using the sentences listed below.

Man: Hey, taxi!

Taxi Driver: _____, Sir?

Man: I'm going to go to the City Hall. Could you take me there?

Taxi Driver: Sure. I can.

Man: _____?

Taxi Driver: _____, so it may take a while.

Man: _____.

Taxi Driver: _____.

Man: Okay.

(After 20 minutes)

Taxi Driver: _____.

Man: _____.

Taxi Driver: That will be \$32.00.

Man: _____. You may keep the change.

Taxi Driver: Thank you! Have a nice day.

Man: You're welcome. Have a good one, too!

Sentences

- Where are you headed ...
- How long would it take to get there?
- The traffic is quite heavy.
- How much do you think it will cost?
- It will probably be about ...
- This is it.
- How much is it?
- Here you go.

Activity 3 | Free Conversation

Directions: Take turns with your teacher in answering the questions

1. How often do you take a taxi?
2. Is it necessary for you to take a taxi? Why or why not?
3. How much does it cost you to take a taxi from your house to your school or workplace?
4. Are taxi drivers in your country polite? In what ways?
5. Do you usually give a tip to taxi drivers?