

Choosing the Right Transport

Chapter 5: Means of Transport · Topic 2

Key Concept

For a short distance, like going to a nearby shop, walking or cycling might be best, while a longer distance might need a bus, car, or train.

Cost also matters - public transport like buses and trains is often cheaper than private transport like taxis or aeroplanes for many people.

Speed is important for urgent travel - an ambulance uses a fast vehicle to reach a hospital quickly, while a leisurely trip might use a slower, more comfortable option.

Thinking about distance, cost, speed, and the number of people travelling together helps us choose the most suitable mode of transport for each situation.

Quick Revision Notes

- Distance affects our transport choice.
- Walking or cycling suits short distances.
- Buses or trains suit longer distances.
- Public transport is often cheaper than private transport.
- Speed matters for urgent situations, like ambulances.
- A leisurely trip might use a slower, comfortable option.
- The number of travellers also affects transport choice.
- We consider several factors to choose the best transport.

Practice Questions

- 1 Discuss how you would travel to a nearby friend's house.
- 2 Discuss how you would travel to a city far away.
- 3 Compare the cost of a bus and a taxi, if you can find out.
- 4 Discuss why an ambulance needs to be fast.
- 5 Plan a trip and decide the best transport for it.
- 6 Explain your transport choice for a family outing.