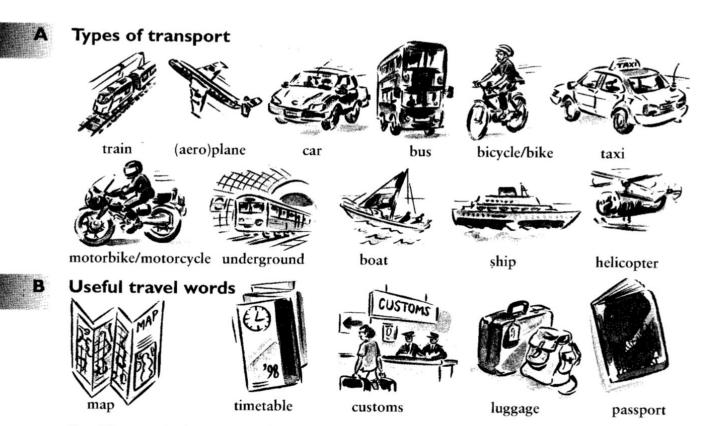
# 41 Travelling



Can I have a single/return (ticket) to Barcelona please? (single = Madrid → Barcelona; return = Madrid ⇌ Barcelona)

I'd like to book/reserve a seat in advance. (to make sure you have a seat)

How much is the (train / bus / taxi / air) fare?

Was the journey long? [NOT Was the travel long?]

### By train

The train arriving at platform 3 is the 16:50 train to Paris. The Edinburgh train departs/leaves from platform 6.

Is there a buffet/restaurant car on this train?

Do I have to change trains for Toulouse? (= get off one train and go onto another)

#### By plane

You have to check in an hour before the plane takes off (= leaves the ground).

I went through customs but nobody checked my passport. [NOT controlled my passport] (See Unit 27.)

Give your boarding card to the flight stewards when you get on the plane.

Have a good flight.

The plane landed in New York at 5.30.

#### By car

We hired a car for a week. We had to fill it up with petrol. Can I give you a lift? I'm going into town.

Unit 14 (Moving) has some more useful words about travelling.

## **Exercises**

#### 41.1 Match the words on the left with their definitions on the right. Draw lines.

1 land a a place to eat on a train

2 fare b bags and suitcases

3 buffet car c it says when trains depart and arrive d what you must pay when you travel

5 timetable e planes do this at airports

6 platform f it travels on water e.g. the *Titanic* 

7 luggage g where you stand when you are waiting for a train

#### 41.2 Can you answer these questions about the vocabulary of travel?

- 1 What is the difference between a single ticket and a return ticket?
- 2 What does a customs officer do?
- 3 Does a plane take off at the end of a journey?
- 4 What do you do with a boarding card?
- 5 What is the difference between hiring a car and buying a car?
- 6 If you ask someone for a lift, do you want to go to the top floor?

#### **41.3** Here are instructions to get to John's house from the airport.

When you arrive at the airport, take a number 10 bus to the railway station. Then take a train to Bigtown. The journey takes half an hour and you get off the train at the second stop. Take a taxi from the station to John's house.

Now write instructions for someone to get to your house from the airport.

# 41.4 Make cards to test yourself. Write the word on one side of the card and a picture (or a definition or translation) on the other side. Look at the pictures (or definitions or translations). Can you remember the English words?

#### **41.5** Complete the crossword.

