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UK might ban food on public transport

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1910/191012-public-transport.html>

The United Kingdom's government is thinking about banning all food and drink on public transport. The UK's plan to ban people eating and drinking on trains and buses is not popular with people. They say the government should not control whether or not people can eat and drink on public transport. Many people said the plan was another example of the UK becoming a "nanny state". This is a country that wants to control everything people can and cannot do. The UK's Chief Medical Officer, professor Sally Davies, said the plan was necessary to help reduce obesity. She said it was part of a plan to halve obesity in children by 2030 and to help people make healthier lifestyle choices.

Professor Davies reported that there are twice as many overweight schoolchildren today as there were 30 years ago. She said: "Today's children are drowning in a flood of unhealthy food and drink options." She said this is made worse because of "insufficient opportunities for being active". She said children do not get enough exercise. She added: "We must go further and faster." Ms Davies also wants to stop fast food being sold at soccer games. Many travelers are angry about the plans. A nurse, Nicky Paxton, said the transport ban would make her life worse. She said: "I often work 12 hours without a break and I need a sandwich on the train on my way home from work."

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WARM-UPS

1. PUBLIC TRANSPORT: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about public transport. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

thinking / food / drink / trains / buses / popular / control / public transport / obesity / twice / schoolchildren / options / exercise / soccer / games / ban / a break / work

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. NO EATING: Students A **strongly** believe no one should eat on trains and buses; Students B **strongly** believe otherwise. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. FOOD AND DRINK: Is it OK to eat or drink in these places? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Is It OK?	Why / Why Not?
Trains		
Airplanes		
The Street		
Parks		
Shopping malls		
Gyms		

5. POPULAR: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "popular". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. ON THE TRAIN: Rank these with your partner. Put the things that are OK to eat on a train at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Sandwiches
- French fries
- Garlic curry
- Ramen
- Pizza
- KFC
- Onigiri
- Nuts

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|----------------|--|
| 1. ban | a. The power to influence or direct people's behavior or the course of events. |
| 2. popular | b. Officially stop something or stop people doing something. |
| 3. control | c. A government that tries to control people's lives and personal choices. |
| 4. nanny state | d. Needed; essential. |
| 5. necessary | e. Liked, admired, or enjoyed by many people or by a particular person or group. |
| 6. obesity | f. Divide into two parts of equal or roughly equal size. |
| 7. halve | g. The problem of being overweight / too fat. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|-------------------|--|
| 8. twice | h. Having a bad time because there is too much of something. |
| 9. drowning | i. Not enough. |
| 10. flood | j. Two times. |
| 11. options | k. A very large quantity of things. |
| 12. insufficient | l. Chances to do things. |
| 13. opportunities | m. A thing that is or may be chosen. |
| 14. break | n. A pause in work for lunch or for a rest. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1910/191012-public-transport.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. The UK government passed a law banning eating on trains and buses. **T / F**
- b. People are very happy because they don't want to eat on trains. **T / F**
- c. People in the UK think the country is becoming a "nanny state". **T / F**
- d. A medical officer wants to cut child obesity in half by 2030. **T / F**
- e. A medical officer said there were more overweight children 30 years ago. **T / F**
- f. The medical officer said children were drowning in food options. **T / F**
- g. The medical officer said it was OK to eat fast food at soccer games. **T / F**
- h. A nurse said she needed to eat a burger on the train on the way home. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- | | |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| 1. thinking | a. direct |
| 2. banning | b. rest |
| 3. control | c. options |
| 4. reduce | d. obese |
| 5. choices | e. prevent |
| 6. overweight | f. prohibiting |
| 7. opportunities | g. commuters |
| 8. stop | h. considering |
| 9. travelers | i. chances |
| 10. break | j. cut |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. banning all | a. and cannot do |
| 2. becoming a nanny | b. home from work |
| 3. control everything people can | c. for being active |
| 4. part of a plan to halve obesity | d. state |
| 5. help people make healthier | e. without a break |
| 6. twice as many overweight | f. in children by 2030 |
| 7. drowning in a flood | g. food and drink |
| 8. insufficient opportunities | h. of unhealthy food |
| 9. I often work 12 hours | i. lifestyle choices |
| 10. on the train on my way | j. schoolchildren |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1910/191012-public-transport.html>

The United Kingdom's government is (1) _____ about banning all food and drink on public transport. The UK's plan to (2) _____ people eating and drinking on trains and buses is not (3) _____ with people. They say the government should not control (4) _____ or not people can eat and drink on public transport. Many people said the plan was another (5) _____ of the UK becoming a "nanny (6) _____". This is a country that wants to control everything people can and cannot do. The UK's Chief Medical Officer, professor Sally Davies, said the plan was necessary to help reduce (7) _____. She said it was part of a plan to halve obesity in children by 2030 and to help people make healthier lifestyle (8) _____.

popular
state
thinking
choices
whether
obesity
ban
example

Professor Davies reported that there are (9) _____ as many overweight schoolchildren today as there were 30 years ago. She said: "Today's children are drowning in a (10) _____ of unhealthy food and drink options." She said this is made (11) _____ because of "insufficient opportunities for being (12) _____". She said children do not get enough exercise. She added: "We must go further and (13) _____." Ms Davies also wants to stop fast food being sold at soccer games. Many travelers are (14) _____ about the plans. A nurse, Nicky Paxton, said the transport ban would make her (15) _____ worse. She said: "I often work 12 hours without a (16) _____ and I need a sandwich on the train on my way home from work."

active
angry
flood
break
twice
life
worse
faster

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1910/191012-public-transport.html>

- 1) The UK's plan to ban people eating and drinking on trains and buses _____
 - a. is not populace
 - b. is not populate
 - c. is not popular
 - d. is not poplar
- 2) Many people said the plan was another example of the UK becoming a _____
 - a. "nan knee state"
 - b. "nan misstate"
 - c. "nanny state"
 - d. "man knee state"
- 3) This is a country that wants to control everything people _____ do
 - a. can't and cannot
 - b. can and cannot
 - c. cannot and can
 - d. can't and can
- 4) She said it was part of a plan to _____
 - a. half obesity
 - b. have obesity
 - c. heave obesity
 - d. halve obesity
- 5) in children by 2030 and to help people make healthier _____
 - a. lifestyle choice
 - b. lifestyle choices
 - c. lifestyle choice is
 - d. lifestyle chooses
- 6) there are twice as many overweight _____
 - a. schools children today
 - b. schooled children today
 - c. schoolchildren today
 - d. school child today
- 7) Today's children are drowning in a flood of unhealthy food and _____
 - a. drank options
 - b. drunk options
 - c. drink options
 - d. dink options
- 8) She said this is made worse because of "insufficient opportunities for _____"
 - a. being active
 - b. being inactive
 - c. been inactive
 - d. been active
- 9) A nurse, Nicky Paxton, said the transport ban would make _____
 - a. her life worse
 - b. her life worsen
 - c. her life worsens
 - d. her life worst
- 10) She said: "I often work 12 hours _____"
 - a. without a broke
 - b. without a breaks
 - c. without a break
 - d. without a beak

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1910/191012-public-transport.html>

The United Kingdom's government (1) _____ banning all food and drink on public transport. The UK's (2) _____ people eating and drinking on trains and buses is not popular with people. They say the government should (3) _____ or not people can eat and drink on public transport. Many people said the plan was another example of the UK becoming (4) _____. This is a country that wants to control everything people can and cannot do. The UK's Chief Medical Officer, professor Sally Davies, said the plan was necessary to (5) _____. She said it was part of a plan to halve obesity in children by 2030 and to help people make (6) _____.

Professor Davies reported that there (7) _____ many overweight schoolchildren today as there were 30 years ago. She said: "Today's children (8) _____ a flood of unhealthy food and drink options." She said this is made worse because of "insufficient opportunities (9) _____". She said children do not get enough exercise. She added: "We must go (10) _____." Ms Davies also wants to stop fast food being sold at soccer games. Many travelers (11) _____ the plans. A nurse, Nicky Paxton, said the transport ban would make her life worse. She said: "I often work 12 hours (12) _____ and I need a sandwich on the train on my way home from work."

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1910/191012-public-transport.html>

1. What do people think of the possible ban?
2. Who did people say should not control what people eat on trains?
3. What did people think the UK is becoming?
4. Who is Sally Davies?
5. By when does a medical officer want to halve obesity in children?
6. How many more obese children are in the UK today than 30 years ago?
7. What are UK children flooded with?
8. At what sporting events does Sally Davies want to ban fast food?
9. How long does a nurse work without a break?
10. What does a nurse want to eat on the train on her way home?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1910/191012-public-transport.html>

- 1) What do people think of the possible ban?
 - a) they are so, so happy
 - b) they think it's great
 - c) they are furious
 - d) it is not popular
- 2) Who did people say should not control what people eat on trains?
 - a) train companies
 - b) the government
 - c) bus drivers
 - d) other passengers
- 3) What did people think the UK is becoming?
 - a) a granny state
 - b) an auntie state
 - c) a daddy state
 - d) a nanny state
- 4) Who is Sally Davies?
 - a) a train passenger
 - b) a fast food company boss
 - c) the UK's Chief Medical Officer
 - d) an overweight child
- 5) By when does a medical officer want to halve obesity in children?
 - a) 2050
 - b) 2025
 - c) 2028
 - d) 2030
- 6) How many more obese children are in the UK today than 30 years ago?
 - a) one million
 - b) quite a few
 - c) twice as many
 - d) many, many, many
- 7) What are UK children flooded with?
 - a) unhealthy food and drink options
 - b) soda and other unhealthy drinks
 - c) rain
 - d) information about food
- 8) At what sporting events does Sally Davies want to ban fast food?
 - a) Wimbledon tennis
 - b) children's sports days
 - c) soccer games
 - d) the Olympics
- 9) How long does a nurse work without a break?
 - a) 10 hours
 - b) 12 hours
 - c) 11 hours
 - d) 9 hours
- 10) What does a nurse want to eat on the train on her way home?
 - a) a sandwich
 - b) a burger
 - c) KFC
 - d) nuts

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Sandwiches

You think sandwiches are the worst things to eat on a train. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things are OK to eat on a train. Also, tell the others which is the best of these (and why): garlic curry, KFC or nuts.

Role B – Garlic Curry

You think garlic curry is the worst thing to eat on a train. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things are OK to eat on a train. Also, tell the others which is the best of these (and why): sandwiches, KFC or nuts.

Role C – KFC

You think KFC is the worst thing to eat on a train. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things are OK to eat on a train. Also, tell the others which is the best of these (and why): garlic curry, sandwiches or nuts.

Role D – Nuts

You think nuts are the worst things to eat on a train. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things are OK to eat on a train. Also, tell the others which is the best of these (and why): garlic curry, KFC or sandwiches.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1910/191012-public-transport.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'public' and 'transport'.

public	transport
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• all• popular• control• example• state• 2030	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• twice• flood• enough• games• nurse• work
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PUBLIC TRANSPORT SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1910/191012-public-transport.html>

Write five GOOD questions about public transport in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.

When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'public'?
3. Is it OK to eat food on public transport?
4. What are the rules about eating in public in your country?
5. Do you eat on trains and buses?
6. Should governments tell people where not to eat?
7. What is obesity like in your country?
8. How can we help people with obesity?
9. How healthy are the things you eat and drink?
10. How healthy are your lifestyle choices?

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PUBLIC TRANSPORT DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'transport'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. Why are children more overweight these days?
15. Whose fault is it that children are overweight?
16. What do you think of people eating on trains and buses?
17. Would you move if someone next to you on the bus ate smelly food?
18. Should fast food be banned at soccer games?
19. Are there foods which are OK to eat on trains and buses?
20. What questions would you like to ask the chief medical officer?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Professor Davies reported that there are (7) _____ as many overweight schoolchildren today as there were 30 years ago. She said: "Today's children are drowning in a (8) _____ of unhealthy food and drink options." She said this is made worse because of "insufficient opportunities for (9) _____ active". She said children do not get enough exercise. She added: "We must go further and faster." Ms Davies also wants to stop fast food being (10) _____ at soccer games. Many travelers are angry about the plans. A nurse, Nicky Paxton, said the transport ban would make her life (11) _____. She said: "I often work 12 hours without a break and I need a sandwich on the train (12) _____ my way home from work."

Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|--------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|
| 1. | (a) thinking | (b) thinks | (c) thought | (d) thoughtful |
| 2. | (a) populace | (b) populate | (c) popular | (d) poplar |
| 3. | (a) weather | (b) wither | (c) whether | (d) wander |
| 4. | (a) auntie | (b) daddy | (c) mummy | (d) nanny |
| 5. | (a) need | (b) needy | (c) necessary | (d) necessitate |
| 6. | (a) chosen | (b) choices | (c) choose | (d) chooses |
| 7. | (a) two | (b) twice | (c) twos | (d) double |
| 8. | (a) pond | (b) flood | (c) puddle | (d) ocean |
| 9. | (a) begin | (b) be | (c) being | (d) been |
| 10. | (a) sell | (b) sells | (c) selling | (d) sold |
| 11. | (a) worst | (b) worsens | (c) worsen | (d) worse |
| 12. | (a) at | (b) of | (c) in | (d) on |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. not olrpuap with people
2. eehrtwh or not people can eat
3. the plan was another peaxelm
4. chief caiemdl officer
5. a plan to halve oiesbty
6. make healthier lieftlyse choices

Paragraph 2

7. twice as many vhrietwog schoolchildren
8. unhealthy food and drink spooitn
9. insufficient ppritouitenso
10. We must go frrrhue and faster
11. 12 hours without a kebar
12. I need a ndiwahcs on the train

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1910/191012-public-transport.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () food being sold at soccer games. Many travelers are angry about the plans. A
- () a break and I need a sandwich on the train on my way home from work."
- () ago. She said: "Today's children are drowning in a flood of unhealthy food and drink
- () Officer, professor Sally Davies, said the plan was necessary to help reduce obesity. She said it was part
- () government should not control whether or not people can eat and drink on public transport. Many people
- () active". She said children do not get enough exercise. She added: "We must go further and faster." Ms Davies also wants to stop fast
- () Professor Davies reported that there are twice as many overweight schoolchildren today as there were 30 years
- () to ban people eating and drinking on trains and buses is not popular with people. They say the
- () of a plan to halve obesity in children by 2030 and to help people make healthier lifestyle choices.
- () wants to control everything people can and cannot do. The UK's Chief Medical
- () said the plan was another example of the UK becoming a "nanny state". This is a country that
- (**1**) The United Kingdom's government is thinking about banning all food and drink on public transport. The UK's plan
- () nurse, Nicky Paxton, said the transport ban would make her life worse. She said: "I often work 12 hours without
- () options." She said this is made worse because of "insufficient opportunities for being

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1910/191012-public-transport.html>

1. eat . Control can or people whether not
2. was the people another example . said plan Many
3. that country to wants A control everything .
4. reduce help plan necessary obesity . was The to
5. to obesity . a plan halve of Part
6. as many schoolchildren There twice are overweight today .
7. of and drink food A flood options . unhealthy
8. ban her make life The worse . would transport
9. break . I work without often a hours 12
10. sandwich on a need train . I the

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1910/191012-public-transport.html>

The United Kingdom's government is *thought* / *thinking* about banning all food and drink *on* / *in* public transport. The UK's plan to *ban* / *banned* people eating and drinking on trains and buses is not popular with people. They say the government should not control *weather* / *whether* or not people can eat and drink on public transport. Many people said the plan was *others* / *another* example of the UK becoming a "*nanny state*" / "*granddad state*". This is a country that wants to control everything people *can't* / *can* and cannot do. The UK's Chief Medical Officer, professor Sally Davies, said the plan was necessary to help reduce *obese* / *obesity*. She said it was part of a plan to halve obesity in children *by* / *at* 2030 and to help people make healthier lifestyle *choices* / *choice*.

Professor Davies reported that there are *twice* / *two* as many overweight schoolchildren today as there *were* / *are* 30 years ago. She said: "Today's children are *downing* / *drowning* in a flood of unhealthy food and drink *options* / *opinions*." She said this is made worse because of "insufficient opportunities for being *active* / *inactive*". She said children do not get enough *exercise* / *exercising*. She added: "We must go further and faster." Ms Davies also wants to stop fast food *being* / *been* sold at soccer games. Many travelers are *angrily* / *angry* about the plans. A nurse, Nicky Paxton, said the transport ban would make her *life* / *lively* worse. She said: "I often work 12 hours without a break and I need a sandwich on the train *in* / *on* my way home from work."

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1910/191012-public-transport.html>

the united kingdoms government is thinking about banning all food and drink on public transport the uks plan to ban people eating and drinking on trains and buses is not popular with people they say the government should not control whether or not people can eat and drink on public transport many people said the plan was another example of the uk becoming a nanny state this is a country that wants to control everything people can and cannot do the uks chief medical officer professor sally davies said the plan was necessary to help reduce obesity she said it was part of a plan to halve obesity in children by 2030 and to help people make healthier lifestyle choices

professor davies reported that there are twice as many overweight schoolchildren today as there were 30 years ago she said todays children are drowning in a flood of unhealthy food and drink options she said this is made worse because of insufficient opportunities for being active she said children do not get enough exercise she added we must go further and faster ms davies also wants to stop fast food being sold at soccer games many travelers are angry about the plans a nurse nicky paxton said the transport ban would make her life worse she said i often work 12 hours without a break and i need a sandwich on the train on my way home from work"

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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TheUnitedKingdom'sgovernmentisthinkingaboutbanningallfoodand drinkonpublictransport.TheUK'splantobanpeopleeatinganddrinking ontrainsandbusesisnotpopularwithpeople.They saythegovernments houldnotcontrolwhethernotpeoplecaneatanddrinkonpublictransp ort.ManypeoplesaidtheplanwasanotherexampleoftheUKbecominga "nannystate".Thisisacountrythatwantstocontrolev everythingpeopleca nandcannotdo.TheUK'sChiefMedicalOfficer,professorSallyDavies,s aidtheplanwasnecessarytohelpreduceobesity.Shesaiditwaspartofa plantohalveobesityinchildrenby2030andtohelppeoplemakehealthie rlifestylechoices.ProfessorDaviesreportedthattherearetwiceasman yoverweightschoolchildrentodayastherewere30yearsago.Shesaid:" Today'schildrenaredrowninginafloodofunhealthyfoodanddrinkoptio ns."Shesaidthisismadeworsebecauseof"insufficientopportunitiesfor beingactive".Shesaidchildrenonotgetenoughexercise.Sheadded:" Wemustgofurtherandfaster."MsDaviesalsowantstostopfastfoodbein gsoldatsoccer games.Manytravelersareangryabouttheplans.Anurse ,NickyPaxton,saidthetransportbanwouldmakeherlifeworse.Shesaid : "Ioftenwork12hourswithoutabreakandIneedasandwichonthetraino nmywayhomefromwork."

HOMework

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. PUBLIC TRANSPORT: Make a poster about public transport. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. NO EATING: Write a magazine article about banning eating on public transport. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on public transport. Ask him/her three questions about public transport. Give him/her three of your ideas. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. b 2. e 3. a 4. c 5. d 6. g 7. f
8. j 9. h 10. k 11. m 12. i 13. l 14. n

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- a F b F c T d T e F f T g F h F

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

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| 1. thinking | a. considering |
| 2. banning | b. prohibiting |
| 3. control | c. direct |
| 4. reduce | d. cut |
| 5. choices | e. options |
| 6. overweight | f. obese |
| 7. opportunities | g. chances |
| 8. stop | h. prevent |
| 9. travelers | i. commuters |
| 10. break | j. rest |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. It is not popular
2. The government
3. A nanny state
4. The UK's Chief Medical Officer
5. 2030
6. Twice as many
7. Unhealthy food and drink options
8. Soccer games
9. Twelve hours
10. A sandwich

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

1. Control whether or not people can eat.
2. Many people said the plan was another example.
3. A country that wants to control everything.
4. The plan was necessary to help reduce obesity.
5. Part of a plan to halve obesity.
6. There are twice as many overweight schoolchildren today.
7. A flood of unhealthy food and drink options.
8. The transport ban would make her life worse.
9. I often work 12 hours without a break.
10. I need a sandwich on the train.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. d 2. b 3. d 4. c 5. d 6. c 7. a 8. c 9. b 10. a

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)