



A.

Talk about the picture by answering the questions:

1. What can you say about the picture above? Say as much as you can about it.
2. How would you describe the traffic situation in your city?
3. Compare and contrast the traffic situation in your city now to its traffic condition 10 years ago.
4. What is the main mode of transportation in your city? Describe your everyday travel experience to and from work.
5. How do you think can the traffic situation in your city be improved? Discuss.
6. Do you think a lot of people's time is wasted due to heavy traffic? Explain.

7. Do you think encouraging home-based jobs can help improve the traffic situation throughout the world? Discuss.
8. Why do you think people would rather drive their own cars than take the public transportation? Which do you prefer? Explain.
9. A lot of people say women are bad drivers, do you agree? Why or why not?
10. Describe the parking system/situation in your city.

B.

Talk about the following quotes with your tutor.

1. “Americans will put up with anything provided it doesn’t block traffic.” —Dan Rather
2. “If you haven’t seen your wife smile at a traffic cop, you haven’t seen her smile her prettiest.” —Kin Hubbard
3. “In the city a funeral is just an interruption of traffic; in the country it is a form of entertainment.” —George Ade
4. “Leave sooner, drive slower, live longer.” -Author Unknown
5. “You never really learn to swear until you learn to drive.” -Author Unknown
6. “Anyone driving slower than you is an idiot, and anyone going faster than you is a maniac.” -Author Unknown
7. “I would like to propose slow cycling. Commute by bike. At a stroke, you remove the need for and absurd cost of public transport. Cycling is almost completely free. There is no longer any need for the gym as you get fit by cycling. And you can go at your own pace.” -Tom Hodgkinson

8. “For people who live in the suburbs and must commute long distances to work, their wealth will sink as energy prices rise.” -Robert Kiyosaki

9. “For many people, commuting is the worst part of the day, and policies that can make commuting shorter and more convenient would be a straightforward way to reduce minor but widespread suffering.” -Nassim Nicholas Taleb

10. “Building a road might create temporary jobs, but does it really create wealth if it doesn’t also shorten commute times or otherwise make society better off?” -Myron Scholes