

Listening L1LLO5

Instructions and directions

Learning Outcome 5: Follow short and simple instructions and directions.

BEFORE LISTENING

PREVIEWING A The words and phrases in blue below are used in the listening. Match each word or phrase with the correct definition.

More and more people today are using **scooter**-sharing **apps** to travel around cities. You just download the app, search for a scooter near to you and then **tap** on the scooter you want on your phone. Then you pay to **hire** that electric scooter. The scooter-sharing apps tell their customers to wear a **helmet** when they ride so they will stay safe. It's easy to use these scooters. You **turn** them on using a **power switch** on the scooter or the app, and off you go!

1. _____ (n) software on your phone or computer that helps you do a specific thing
2. _____ (v) when you press or push something to make an electric thing start working
3. _____ (n) something you wear on your stop that will help you if you fall
4. _____ (n) a small vehicle you can stand on and ride around on
5. _____ (v) touch a picture or a word on a phone
6. _____ (n) something you use to start the electricity
7. _____ (v) pay to use something for a short time

CRITICAL THINKING: ANALYZING A SEQUENCE B Look at the process of using a scooter-sharing app and complete the flow chart.

open the ¹ _____ on your phone → search for a ² _____ near to you →
³ _____ on the scooter you want and ⁴ _____ it → put your ⁵ _____ on your
head → ⁶ _____ the scooter _____

WHILE LISTENING

CHECKING PREDICTIONS



C Listen to a voicemail with instructions for hiring a scooter. Check your answers for exercise B.

LISTENING FOR MAIN IDEAS



D Listen again. Choose the correct answer.

1. How is Ahmed traveling to his friend's city?
a. by scooter b. by bus
2. How is Ahmed going to travel to his friend's home?
a. by scooter b. by bus
3. What does Ahmed want to do with his friend when he arrives?
a. eat b. ride scooters

LISTENING FOR DETAILS



E Listen again. Check (✓) all the correct answers.

1. Which of the following are true about the scooter-sharing app?
 - ☐ People can use it to hire scooters for free.
 - ☐ There are many scooters you can hire at the bus station.
 - ☐ Nobody has had any problems while using it.
 - ☐ Scooter riders use their hands to start or stop their scooters.
2. Which of the following are true about Ahmed's journey to his friend's home?
 - ☐ Ahmed needs to turn left when he leaves the station.
 - ☐ Ahmed needs to turn right at the traffic lights.
 - ☐ Ahmed needs to look for a house where his friend lives.
 - ☐ Ahmed's friend will show him where to stop.

LISTENING SKILL Understanding instructions

When someone gives you instructions, notice the verb-noun collocations for the actions, for example, *turn on the power switch*. The speaker usually says these louder than the other words in the sentence.

People also usually say linking words like *first, then, next, after that* or *finally* to show when one instruction ends and the next one starts.

F Read these instructions. Circle the verb-noun collocations and underline the linking words. Then practice saying the instructions.

1. Finally, please remember to turn off the lights when you leave the room.
2. After that, you press the button at the top of the tablet twice.
3. First, download the ticket onto your phone.

AFTER LISTENING

G Would you like to ride an electric scooter in your town or city?

- What would the benefits of using an electric scooter be for you?
- What problems could you have?

Write your ideas in your notebook and then compare your answers with a partner.
