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Say

'Let's read the contents page together.'

Read

Read the contents page together with the students.

Check Understanding

- What is the purpose of the contents page?
- What information would I read about on page 12?
- Where would I find information about New York?
- What is another word for 'transit'?

Talk

What do you think the main idea of this text will be?

I think the **main** idea will be _____.

What information in the contents page helped you?

The **information** that helped me is _____.

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Different Cities, Different Transport

Different cities around the world have different kinds of city transport. In some places, they use trains or buses. In other places, they might use trams or ferries. Let's look at some cities to see why the transport they use is great for them.



Cities have developed **unique** transport systems for moving people.



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Say

'Read page 3 with your partner. This section is called "Different Cities, Different Transport".'

Read

Ask the students to read page 3 in pairs.

Check Understanding

- Do all cities have the same transport?
- What types of transport are listed on page 3?
- Why do cities have unique transport systems?
- What does the word 'unique' mean?

Talk

What is the most important detail about city transport in this section?

The most **important detail** in this **section** is _____.

How do the photographs support the information in the text?

The photographs support the **information** by _____.

Say

'Read pages 4 and 5 with your partner.'

Read

Ask the students to read pages 4–5 in pairs.

Check Understanding

- How many passengers does New York City subway carry each weekday?
- How many stations did the subway record in 2015–16?
- How many cars can each train have?
- What does the word 'population' mean?
- What are 'statistics'?

New York City Subway, United States

The New York City subway is one of the busiest city train networks in the world. Subway trains run 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The population of New York City is around 8.5 million. Each weekday, the subway carries almost 6 million people from one part of the city to another.

New York City Subway statistics (2015–16)

length of tracks (underground and above ground) in kilometres	1370
number of trains	6000
number of lines	36
number of stations	472
number of passengers in a year	1.7 billion

Moving Millions of People

Trains are a good way to move a lot of people at once. This is important in a big city like New York. Each train can have up to 11 cars. Each car can hold almost 200 people.

Millions of people use the subway every day to travel quickly around the city.



Talk

What impact would there be if the subway were to shut down? Which important points helped you answer?

The **important points** on these pages tell me _____.

What extra detail does the table give you that is not mentioned in the text?

The extra **detail** given in the table is _____.