

Reading & Comprehension Check

Bus & Transportation- Advanced

Read the passage below then answer the questions about the story.



You are working at a retail store near downtown Iowa City. You have been living in Iowa City for a few months now but you are still getting used to the public transportation in the area. Everyday that you have work you take the bus to get there and back home. You use the same bus each time to go to work and have not used any of the other routes yet. Today you have a day off from work and want to go to the mall. Although you have heard from your coworkers that you can use the bus to get there you do not know which bus to take to get there. However, you do know that a lot of the buses stop at the Downtown Interchange bus stop as you have seen many buses use it everyday. To start your journey you pull out your phone to see how to get to the mall. You use the Transit app for directions because it has all of bus schedules and routes. Once you search for the mall the app tells you that you will need to take one city bus then make a transfer onto the Coralville bus that will take you to the mall. After confirming which stop you will transfer on you get your things ready and head out. Fortunately, the first bus you need to take is about to reach the bus stop right as you walk up to it. You get on the bus and find a seat to sit in.

A few stops later you notice that you are going in the wrong direction! "Oh no!" You say to yourself and quickly pull out your phone. It looks like in your hurry to catch the bus you got on on the wrong side of the street. According to Transit you now need to head to the Downtown Interchange then find a bus due for Coralville there. It is a longer ride for you now but you do not have to be back at home until dinner so it will be fine. Finally you make it to the Interchange where you will transfer. When you get off the city bus you find that the Coralville bus has not arrived yet. After checking Transit you see that there are still 7 minutes until it comes. You decide to wait for the bus inside of the Old Capitol Mall to get out of the sun. When you see the Coralville bus pull up you go outside and get on the bus. As you are getting on you see that there is a \$1.00 fare to ride the bus. This takes you by surprise as the bus you normally take is

free and you have not had to pay before. Quickly you pull out your wallet and pull out a dollar bill to pay for the fee. The driver nods in approval and you continue onto the bus where you take a seat and wait for the bus to go. Once it leaves you see that there is still a 20 minute drive to the mall so you get comfortable and wait patiently. After a while the bus pulls up to the mall and when it reaches the stop you get off and make your way into the mall to enjoy your afternoon.



Questions

True or False- Read each statement then write down T if it is true and F if it is false

- 1.) You use the bus when you trying to go to work
- 2.) When looking for directions you used the Transit app
- 3.) You have to pay for all of the buses that you use
- 4.) You need to make a transfer to get from your house to the mall
- 5.) The trip to the mall took less than 15 minutes