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UNIT 01



Science

Genre
Nonfiction /
Magazine Article
Reading Skill
Categorizing
Passage Length
222 words

It's a Bird! It's a Plane! It's a Flying Car!



Think Ahead

Let's Talk

1. Look at the picture.
What does the car have in the picture?
2. Do you think cars will fly in the future?

Let's Check

Which words come to your mind when you think of a flying car?

airplane

wings

clouds

bird

sky

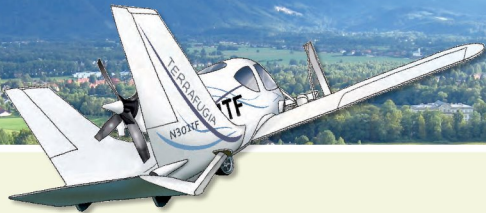


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It's a Bird! It's a Plane!

It's a Flying Car!

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Flying High!

Did you know that cars can fly? It's true! In March 2009, a company showed people the first flying car. They gave the vehicle the name "Transition."



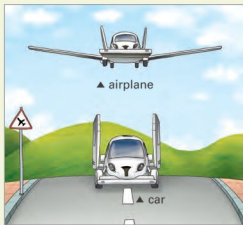
Moving Parts

It has two special wings on the sides. They are special because they can move! The wings fold up when you don't need them. In addition, they open when you want to use them. It takes less than 30 seconds to move both of the wings. That's pretty fast!

Two for One Deal

With the Transition, people can travel in two different ways because of its two wings. For one, the vehicle can be a car. It can go as fast as 65 miles per

hour on the road. And for every gallon of gas, it can travel 30 miles. Next, it can also be an airplane when you want to **take off**. It can fly up to 115 miles per hour. But you need to get a **pilot's license** first!



Just the Plane Facts!

The Transition is the smallest airplane. It is called a light-sport **craft** because it is not that heavy. Each plane weighs 1,430 pounds. That's about half the weight of a normal car! In 2011, these flying cars will be ready for people to buy. It will cost 194,000 dollars to buy one! They are very **expensive**!



◀ A **license** is a card. When you drive a vehicle, you will need it.

vehicle *n.*
something used for travel

wing *n.*
the part on each side of an airplane

fold up *phrasal v.*
to bend in order to close

take off *phrasal v.*
to leave the ground

pilot *n.*
a person who can fly an airplane

license *n.*
papers or a card that says it's okay to do something

craft *n.*
a ship, boat, or an airplane

expensive *adj.*
costing a lot of money



Which name did people give the first flying car? Find the answer in the first paragraph and write.

Vocabulary Check Up

A. Meaning Choose the correct answers.

- The word _____ means "something used for travel."
a. wing b. license c. vehicle
- The word _____ means "a ship, boat, or an airplane."
a. pilot b. craft c. company

B. Usage Write the correct words.

- Only rich people can buy an _____ car.
- My plane will _____ and be in the air soon.
- "Please _____ your chairs and put them away," said Jane.

Comprehension Check Up

A. Finding the Facts Check T(True) or F(False).

- The Transition has two special wings on the sides.
- The Transition can go as fast as 30 miles per hour on the road.
- The flying cars will be ready for people to buy in 2021.

T	F
T	F
T	F

B. Understanding the Passage Choose the correct answers.

- What is this article mainly about?
a. A small and cheap car
b. Different kinds of flying cars
c. A new vehicle called the Transition
- When did the company first show the Transition?
a. in March 2006 b. in May 2009 c. in March 2009

- 3 How is the Transition different from other cars?
- People don't need a license to drive it.
 - People don't need gas to move it.
 - People can drive it on the road and fly it in the sky.
- 4 How long does it take to move both of the wings?
- It takes 30 minutes.
 - It takes less than 30 seconds.
 - It takes more than 30 seconds.
- 5 The Transition is called a light-sport craft because it is not _____.
- heavy
 - fast
 - expensive
- 6 **Inference** What can be inferred from the story?
- People will only use planes to fly in the future.
 - People will fly their flying cars in the future.

Skill Build Up

Categorizing

What are the differences between the two cars? Complete the chart with the correct answers below.

Cars	
A normal car	A flying car
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• <input type="text"/>	• <input type="text"/>
• <input type="text"/>	• <input type="text"/>
a. has wings c. travels by one way e. needs a pilot's license	b. has no wings d. travels by two ways f. does not need a pilot's license

Summary Make Up

Read the passage and complete the summary using the sentences in the box.

Main Idea ▶ _____

It is called the Transition.

Supporting Details ▶ _____

The Transition can change. _____

The Transition can become _____.

_____ It is very special. _____, but it will be expensive!

- a. a car or an airplane
- b. There is a car that can fly.
- c. The flying car is small and light.
- d. It has wings that can fold up and open.
- e. People can buy the flying car in 2011

Talk!



Your Turn

If you had a flying car, where would you like to go?



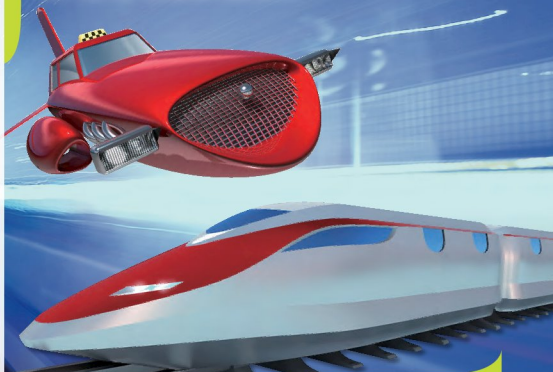
UNIT
02

Future Shark Attack



Science

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Think Ahead

Let's Talk

1. Look at the picture. What is it?
2. Do you think we will travel underwater in the future?



Let's Check

Which words come to your mind when you think of a submarine?

- | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> ship | <input type="checkbox"/> sea | <input type="checkbox"/> underwater |
| <input type="checkbox"/> see animals | <input type="checkbox"/> diving | |