

UNIT 4 OYBIKE



Target
Vocabulary

Noun:	destination, issue, scheme, fee, rental
Adjective:	frustrating, annual
Adverb:	actually
Verb:	deliver, involve, punctuate, operate, trial, unlock, charge, determine, extend, receive
Phrasal Verb:	set up, sign up, run after, go over, do without, get off, go in for

Public transport is part of the daily routine of millions of people, but few are actually **delivered** right to their final **destination**. All too often journeys **involve** a **frustrating** combination of buses, trains or tubes - all **punctuated** by lengthy waits for a service to arrive. Then there's the **issue** of what can be a long walk from your stop to the place you **actually** want to go. One solution might be "Oybike", a new mobile phone-**operated** bicycle **rental scheme** designed to make getting around easier and faster. It is being **trialled** in Hammersmith and Fulham, west London, where a number of rental stations have been **set up**, but its inventors hope it will soon be **extended**. Anyone wanting to use an Oybike **signs up** and pays a £10 **annual fee**, then uses their mobile phone to **unlock** a bike for as long as they need. The phone **receives** a pin number to unlock the bike at the start of a journey and a second one to lock it at the end and to **determine** how much the rider is **charged**.

I. Read the passage carefully and circle the choice which is the closest in meaning to the word given.

1. "frustrating" in line 3 means

- A. delightful
- B. annoying
- C. central

3. "issue" in line 4 means

- A. opportunity
- B. problem
- C. arrival

2. "punctuated" in line 3 means

- A. interrupted
- B. organized
- C. suggested

4. "scheme" in line 6 means

- A. fare
- B. process
- C. program

5. "set up" in line 8 means

- A. established
- B. offered
- C. classified

II. Match the following words with the definitions.

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| 1. ___ rental | a. to include or affect someone or something |
| 2. ___ fee | b. an amount of money that you pay to do something or that you pay to a professional person for their work |
| 3. ___ charge | c. make something affect more people, situations, areas etc. than before |
| 4. ___ involve | d. to ask someone for a particular amount of money for something you are selling or you are giving as a service |
| 5. ___ extend | e. an arrangement to rent something for a period of time, or the act of doing this |

III. Fill in the blanks with a suitable word from the list below making changes if necessary.

destination	deliver	actually	trial	unlock
receive	sign up	operate	determine	annual

1. A good manager will try to _____ involve everyone in the decision-making process.
2. By the time he reached his _____, seven days later, he was half-starved and broke.
3. Unfortunately, the package was _____ to the wrong address.
4. The new president of the company will be elected in the _____ meeting
5. His parents were really worried when they didn't _____ any mail from him for quite along time.
6. No matter how hard I tried to _____ the door, I was not able to since it was terribly stuck.
7. Those who want to take part in the end-of-term performance should _____ until the 22nd, the latest.
8. A hand-held remote control makes the DVD player easy to _____.
9. It took the investigators seven days to _____ that the engine-failure was responsible for the plane crash.
10. Computer Aided Language Learning (CALL) is _____ in some schools and if it proves to be successful most schools will adopt this method.

Phrasal Verbs

run after:	chase
go over:	repeat something in order to explain it or make sure it is correct
do without:	manage without
get off:	dismount from a vehicle, a horse etc.
go in for:	enter a competition, a contest etc.

IV. Fill in the blanks with one of the phrasal verbs from the list above making changes if necessary.

1. When her husband went bankrupt, she didn't know how she would _____ luxuries she was so much used to.
2. The lady sitting next to him on the bus was so charming that he forgot to _____ at his stop.
3. Nowadays there are many young girls who think that they will be famous when they _____ beauty contests.
4. I usually _____ my presentation an hour before I deliver it.
5. It was an unusual sight to see the cat _____ the dog.

MINI TEST

1. Due to the heavy snow, we could reach our ---- four hours later than we had expected.
A) destination B) fee
C) component D) scheme
E) issue
2. A study ---- long-distance runners is being done at the Medical Centre to find out their susceptibility to heart diseases.
A) operating B) extending
C) involving D) receiving
E) delivering
3. Most of the time it is not possible to ---- the source of the spam mails which break down computers.
A) punctuate B) trial
C) design D) determine
E) exert
4. Although many people see unemployment as the number one ----, the real problem is the decline in public morality.
A) scheme B) boom
C) weakness D) issue
E) sample
5. Liz is extremely excited about the ---- school homecoming dance since it will be the first one she will go with her boy friend.
A) rental B) elaborate
C) annual D) efficient
E) frustrating
6. The grammar translation method in language teaching was ---- and found inefficient, yet there are many teachers who still prefer using it.
A) operated B) charged
C) received D) trialled
E) unlocked
7. Many people in Turkey can't go to private doctors since they can't afford the amount they ---- them.
A) determine B) involve
C) charge D) deliver
E) persuade
8. Not everybody can go to health clubs because most of them charge an annual membership ----.
A) issue B) rate
C) destination D) fee
E) wilderness
9. Because he was abroad on business on his wife's birthday he had some flowers ---- to her office.
A) covered B) offered
C) received D) appeared
E) delivered
10. I am afraid there is no milk left so you will have to ---- it if you want to drink coffee.
A) do without B) go in for
C) sign up for D) go over
E) set up