Lesson 41: Train, Bus, Taxi

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1. Dialogue

First, repeat after your tutor. Then, practice each role.

Hiroshi: (On the phone) Hello. Could you please send a taxi to #40 Rockdale Street?

Ben, the taxi dispatcher: It'll be there in an hour.

Hiroshi: Can't you get it here sooner? I have a flight to catch in less than two hours.

Ben: It might be easier if you go out on the street and hail a cab.

Hiroshi: It's a little difficult to do that during rush hour. Can you suggest another way?

Ben: You could take the train and get on the airport link. I believe there's a train station not far from where you are.

Hiroshi: I think I'll just take the airport link. Thank you! You're a lifesaver.

Ben: You'd better get to the station now or you'll miss your flight.

2. Today's Phrase

First, repeat after your tutor. Then, make a few sentences using Today's phrase.

1. Do you take the train to go to work?
2. A: What's the easiest way to go to the Statue of Liberty? B: I'd take the bus if I were you.
3. A: I'm off to work. B: Will you take the bus or the train?

* take the train(bus) / 電車（バス）を使う、電車（バス）に乗る

3. Your Task

You are in New York. While riding on a bus going somewhere, a Spanish tourist asked you for directions to the Empire State Building. You are not familiar with how to get to the famous building. Tell him politely that you are not from New York and that you can't give him directions. Advise him (=your tutor) that he can use a mobile app to find out how to get to the Empire State Building.

4. Let's Talk

Talk about public transportation in your city.
What kind of transportation do you find most convenient for your daily commute? Why?

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words as precisely as possible.

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