

ELEMENTARY UNIT 1

- 1** Read the list of objects. Which objects DON'T people usually carry in their bags? Which objects do you have in your bag today? What else do you usually carry in your bag?

umbrella cat mobile phone wallet sunglasses keys
reading glasses notebook mountain bike laptop

- 2** Read an article about the things people lose on public transport in London. Answer the questions.

**LOST PROPERTY**

Every day millions of people travel around London on buses, trains and in taxis. And every day lots of people lose things on their trip! When it rains, they leave their umbrellas. In winter they forget their hats. In summer they lose their sunglasses. Lots of people forget their phones. And some even lose their laptops!

Some of these things are lost forever. But not all of them. Every day, public transport workers take more than 600 lost objects to the Lost Property Office. They keep the things at the office for three months and wait for their owners to come and find them.

So, what do people lose? A lot of people lose books, wallets and keys. Other passengers leave their supermarket shopping. Some people forget some very strange things! Do you know one person forgot their cat! And another person lost their mountain bike! And the strangest thing of all? One person forgot a large toy dinosaur. It was 1.80m tall! How can you forget something like that?

- 1** What things do people normally forget?

- 2** Where can they go to find them?

- 3** Which objects in the article are not in the list in Exercise 1?

- 3** Read the article again. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)? Correct the false sentences.

- 1 People lose different things at different times of year.
- 2 People always lose small objects.
- 3 All of the objects are cheap.
- 4 All the things that people lose go to the Lost Property Office.
- 5 These things stay in the office for about twelve weeks.
- 6 People lose a lot of strange things, but they never lose animals.

- 4** **D 1.1** Zoe is at the Lost Property Office. Listen to the conversation and answer the questions.

- 1 What object is she looking for?
- 2 Does she get it?

- 5** Listen again and complete the form.

LOST PROPERTY

Type of transport:

bus train underground taxi

Number of service:¹ _____

Date and time: November 10, 18.15

Object lost:

umbrella phone laptop bag
other

Description:² _____

If bag, contents:³ _____

Date of return: November 11, 12.45

Signature: Zoe Mack

- 6** Look at the extracts. Complete the questions with a word from the box. Who says these extracts, Zoe or the man in the office?

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- 1 Hello, can I _____ you?
- 2 Can you _____ your bag, please?
- 3 Is _____ your bag?
- 4 _____'s in the bag?
- 5 What _____ is the notebook?
- 6 Are you _____ this is your bag?

- 7** **D 1.2** Listen and check.

- 8** Match Zoe's answers a)–f) with the questions in Exercise 6.

- a) A notebook, my diary, some reading glasses ...
- b) I can't remember ...
- c) It's big and blue and it has a photo of London on it.
- d) No, no, it isn't.
- e) Yes, please. I'm looking for my bag.
- f) Yes, yes I am!

- 9** Work in pairs. Act out the conversation between Zoe and the man in the Lost Property Office.

- 10** Choose a new object from the list in Exercise 1 or from the article and act out a new conversation at the Lost Property Office.