

1st term Unit 6 Bus Services in Hong Kong**Bus types**

The buses nowadays can carry more passengers than before. There were only single-decker buses before the 1940s. When there were full of passengers on the bus, passengers felt dizzy because it was too crowded. There was not enough space to sit or stand. Also, there was not enough fresh air. Sometimes, people fell easily when the bus suddenly stopped. Now, there are double-decker buses. Double-decker buses can carry more passengers. Single-decker buses and double-decker buses are running on the streets now.

Air-conditioning

The buses nowadays are more comfortable than those in the old days. There were no air-conditioned buses before the 1990s. When someone was sweating, it was so smelly. Besides, passengers got sick easily because there was not enough fresh air. The buses were as hot as fireballs on hot summer days. Now, there are air-conditioned buses. People can have enough fresh air on the double-decker buses. Passengers feel much cooler. They feel very comfortable and happy on the air-conditioned buses.

Seats

It was very crowded on the bus and so many passengers needed to stand on the bus. There were not enough seats for the passengers. The seats were very uncomfortable. Now, the seats are spacious and more comfortable. Passengers can enjoy their trip on their seats, they can read books, chat, watch videos with their smartphones, listen to music...

Bus fare

It is now more convenient to pay the bus fare than in the past. Passengers had to put the coins in the fare collection box when they got on the bus before the 1990s. They had to pay the exact amount of coins in the fare collection box. It was very inconvenient. Passengers had to carry a bag which was full of coins when they went out. Now, passengers can use Octopus Cards to pay the bus fare. Passengers can use their phones to pay the bus fare, too. It is more

convenient. Passengers just need to put their cards on the machine and the payment process is very simple and convenient.

Facilities

Buses have changed a lot now. There are a lot of new facilities than in the past. Passengers in wheelchairs were difficult to get on the bus in the past. The buses nowadays are more comfortable and convenient than before. There are more facilities to help the passengers, too. For example, seatbelts, safety hammers, television, card readers, priority seats and CCTV...The buses can be lowered to make it easier for the passengers in wheelchairs to get on and off. Also, passengers cannot smoke in the bus now. There is a rail and platform for the disabled to get on the bus. Passengers can use discounts to pay less bus fare, too. Now, buses also installed CCTV. There is a space for the wheelchair or people in need. Buses are equipped with priority seats for those in need.

The bus service has changed a lot. Nowadays, the buses are more convenient and comfortable than before. Buses are very important for transportation in daily life.

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Buses have been a mode of public transport for almost a century. Let's take a blast at the past and look at the interesting improvements in bus services in Hong Kong.

First of all, there were only single-decker buses before the 1940s. Whenever the passengers got on the buses, they most likely had to squeeze together. However, there are double-decker buses now. They made a massive impact since they have double the size of single-decker buses, so passengers don't have to be crammed. There is also a larger space on the bus, so passengers can move more freely.

Secondly, comfort is surely crucial for an enjoyable ride. The buses nowadays are more comfortable to ride on. However, it was not always the same. There were no air-conditioned buses before the 1990s. The buses were too crowded and the passengers could hardly breathe fresh air. There were also cases of them getting nauseous and fainting because of the smelly sweat of others. Fortunately, there are air-conditioned buses now. There is cooler and fresher air on the buses, so passengers can enjoy a pleasant journey on there. There were not many seats, either. The passengers were very tired during the ride since they had to stand all the way, especially the elderly. Shortly, the bus company has installed more seats. Even then, the passengers were very unhappy, since the seats were made of wood. Hence, the passengers had to experience uncomfortable rides. On the bright side, all the seats are made with cushions now, making the passengers more comfortable on the buses. Another useful seats on the bus are the priority seats. These special seats are for people in need, for example, the elderly, disabled passengers and pregnant ladies. The seats make sure they have a place to sit. What a thoughtful facility!

Moving on to the third point, it is now more convenient to pay the bus fare than in the old days. Passengers used to insert the exact amount of coins in the fare collection box when they got on the bus before the 1990s, otherwise, they had to insert more than the fare which they had to suffer the loss. Besides, it was also time-consuming for the passengers to put the coins in the fare collection box, resulting in the bus taking a long time before it could start. On the other hand, passengers can pay the bus fare with their Octopus cards nowadays. The payment process is simpler now, as they only have to put their cards on the card machine. It saves so much time!

Last but not least, there are more and better quality and more facilities on the buses now. Even though there were many problems before the facilities, almost all of them are solved now. For example, there is free Wifi on some buses now, so passengers can stay entertained. Another example is that there are now seatbelts installed in every seat, so passengers can keep out of harm's way. Also, the bus company introduced a rail at the entrance of the bus, so the disabled in wheelchairs can get on the buses conveniently. There are now mini-charging parts, have you noticed them? Lastly, the bus fare is cheaper than the old days, so that all the citizens can afford to ride on the bus.

In conclusion, the buses nowadays have had an apparent improvement. It is nice to see the buses keep on developing.

Bus Services in Hong Kong

Buses have been a mode of public transport in Hong Kong for almost a century. There were only single-decker buses before the 1940s. There were only 106 small single-decker buses in KMB. However, double-decker buses are prevalent. The buses nowadays are less crowded and more comfortable than before.

The buses nowadays are more comfortable than those in the old days. There was no air-conditioning on all the buses before the 1990s. People would sweat a lot while they were travelling on a hot summer day. Luckily, there is air-conditioning on all the buses now. Passengers can have a more comfortable ride. In the past, there were two classes of seats, namely first class with cushion and second class with wooden seats.

Moreover, it is now more convenient to pay the bus fare than before. Passengers put the bus fare in the collection box when they got on the bus before the 1990s. Grandma told me that she had to pay more money if she did not have the exact amount of coins. Passengers pay the bus fare by using their Octopus card or Alipay now. KMB equipped all its buses with Octopus card reader in 2000.

KMB has introduced some new facilities as well. The new buses have USB charging ports in both upper deck and lower deck. The seats in the buses are nicely made with adjustable headrests and seat backs.

Moreover, passengers can enjoy free Wi-Fi services on the buses.

In conclusion, the buses nowadays are more comfortable and convenient.



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△△ Buses have been a mode of public transport in Hong Kong for almost a century. Let's take a look at some of the interesting developments in bus services in Hong Kong.

△△ In the 1950s, the bus ^{nowadays} can carry more passengers

than ~~before~~. There were only single-decker buses before ⁽⁹⁾

the 1940s. There were lots of small single-decker buses

in KMB. KMB introduced double-decker ~~buses~~ in 1950s.

It KMB offered two classes of ~~seats~~. The buses were

~~crowded~~. ^{both} Nowadays, there are double-decker buses and

single-decker ~~buses~~ ⁽⁹⁾. There are a lot of

double-decker ~~buses~~ ^{They} nowadays. Double-decker buses

can carry more people than single-decker

^{do} buses. The buses are much ^{more} spacious. Also, they are

more convenient than single-decker buses.

△△ The ^{buses} bus nowadays ^{are} is more convenient than ^{those} that

in the old days. In ~~1950s~~, ^{There} there was no air-conditioning

in the buses before the 1990s. However, there is

air-conditioning in all the buses now. People felt so hot

and they ^{when they travelled on hot days} sweated a lot. But nowadays, people feel very

comfortable when they travel on hot days. In

1950s, the seats were hard and uncomfortable. They

were ^{too} very old. Also, they were made from wood.

Nowadays, the seats ~~now~~ are more relaxing. ^{and} They are

very comfortable. The seats are ^{soft} now with cushions

~~and soft~~. There are priority seats for people who

are in special needs.

△△ It is now more convenient to pay the bus

fare ^{than in} the old days. Passengers paid the bus fare

with cash or coins when they got on the bus

However,

before the 1990s, Passengers can pay the fare by Octopus

Cards

or cash now. ^{They} Passengers prefer electronic

payments to pay the fare now. ^{For} ^{who are} Those over 65 years

old or the disabled, the fare is only \$2.

} good detail

△△ There are more user-friendly facilities than

In 1950s,

before. The passengers could only ask the bus driver

where to get off the bus ~~in the past~~. There were

no super-low floors ^{or} and wheelchair ramps

to help the people ^{who are in} that need for ~~it~~. Before

1950s, there were no systems that tell you where the

bus
stop

There were no handrails for people to stand ^{on}. There _(prep)

were no USB charging plugs. Nowadays, there is a bus app to remind you ^{when} to get off the bus.

Nowadays, ^{There} _(T) ^{is} _(A) ^a _(P) ^{super-low} _(P) ^{floor} _(P) ^{to} _(P) ^{only} _(P) 25cm

(around 10 inches). ^{there} _(P) ^{are} _(P) the wheelchair ramps

^{to slide} _(P) ^{slides} _(P) out to allow wheelchairs to get on. Bus

stop ^{announcement} _(P) ^{(A)nnouncement} _(P) system broadcasts the next

stop for people ^{who want} _(P) ~~in need~~ to get ^{Now} _(P) off. ^{In} _(P) buses,

there ^{are} _(P) ^{were} _(T) more handrails for people if there ^{are} _(P) ~~no~~

seats. ^{Moreover} _(P) Now, there are USB charging plugs for people ^{to} _(P) ~~can~~ charge phones.

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Bus Services in Hong Kong

Buses have been a mode of public transport in Hong Kong for almost a century. Let's take a look at some of the interesting developments in bus services in Hong Kong.

First, the bus nowadays can carry more passengers than before. In the past, there were only single-decker buses before the 1940s. However, there are both single-decker buses and double-decker buses nowadays. Before, there were ^{only} 106 small single-decker buses in KMB. ^{but now} Now there are so many double-decker buses that we can't even count them nowadays. After KMB introduced double-decker buses in the 1950s, now the trips in Hong Kong are more comfortable. After KMB introduced double-decker buses in the 1950s, they offered two classes of seats, now all the buses are much more spacious than the single-decker buses in the 1950s. Before KMB introduced double-decker buses, the single-decker buses were crowded, now they are less crowded.

After KMB introduced the double-decker buses, they are more comfortable than the single-decker buses in the old days. In the past, there was no air-conditioning in the buses before the 1990s.

Nowadays, there is air-conditioning ^{on} in every single buses. Before, people felt so hot and they sweated a lot. Now they feel very comfortable when they travel on hot days. Back in the old days, the single-decker buses had windows that could be opened so people can get fresh air. Now, since the double-decker buses have air conditioners, the windows are ^{always} kept closed. Back in the past, on sunny days passengers could not take a nap on the bus because the sun was too shiny. Now, buses have tinted windows so passengers can take comfortable naps and trips on sunny days. Moreover, KMB ^{make} ^{on} made the seats in the buses more comfortable. (T)

In the past, we had narrower seats and the buses were very crowded. Now our seats are more comfortable than before and the buses are less crowded. Back in time, people sweated a lot on summer days because it was too crowded on hot-day buses, now they are very comfortable. ^{Also} Back then, all of the seats were made from wood. Nowadays, ^{there} they are soft ^{inside the seats} padding. (T)

After KMB made the seats more comfortable, KMB ^{makes} ^{payment} made paying the bus fare more convenient than before. In the past, passengers have to put the bus fare into the fare collection box when they got on the bus before the 1990s. Nowadays, passengers can use Octopus Cards to pay the bus

fare. Back then, people have to ^{pay} put exact numbers of coins into the fare collection box. This was not very convenient. ^(Sp)

Now, we use Octopus Cards to pay ^{the} bus fare. They are more convenient and light.

Back in 2000, KMB introduced Octopus Cards. Now, we not only have Octopus Cards, we also

have Alipay and Payme to pay ^{the} bus fare.

After KMB introduced Octopus Card ^{payment}, they introduced more user-friendly facilities than before. In

the past, there were no bus stop announcement systems in 1950s. Now there's a very clear bus stop

broadcast system on every buses. In the old days, the bus had no TVs as entertainment. Now, in 2000,

KMB introduced "Road Show" to offer entertainment to passengers. Back in the old time, there were

more accidents when the drivers were too tired. In 2019, KMB installed anti-drowsiness systems

on their buses. The system is to help drivers drive safely.

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