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Going Hiking

Questions – How long / How far

Let's go hiking on Lucky Hill.

How long does it take to get there from here?

It takes about 5 hours.

How far is it from here to the hill?

It is about 15 km.

Wow! It is a long way.

Grammar in Focus

We use 'How long' to ask about the length of time we need to go from one place to another.

How long does it take to travel from your home to school?

It takes 20 minutes.

We use 'How far' to ask about the distance between one place and another.

How far is it from your home to school?

It's about 1 kilometre.

It is 800 metres.



Mistakes Corner

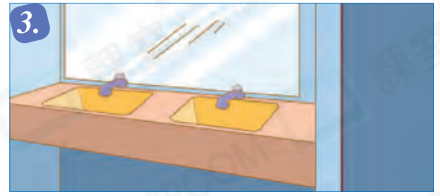
✓ **It takes** an hour.

✗ **It uses** an hour.

1. It (**A** uses / **B** takes) two hours to get to the barbecue site.

2. How long does it (**A** take / **B** use) to get to the post office?

A. Matt visited some places on the mountain. Fill in the blanks with the correct letters. Then fill in the last blank with the correct place.



1. a b _____ site (3 hours)

2. an i _____ board (1 hour)

3. a p _____ t _____ (2 hours)

4. It takes 3 hours to get to the _____.

B. A man is asking Matt some questions. Circle the correct answers.

1. : (How far / How long) is it from here to the washroom?

: (It takes / It's) about 2 kilometres.

2. : (How far / How long) does it take to get to the picnic site from here?

: (It takes / It's) 10 minutes.

3. : (How far / How long) is it from the picnic site to the community centre?

: (It takes / It's) about 600 metres.

4. : How long (does it take / is it) to get to the supermarket from the temple?

: (It takes / It's) 3 hours.

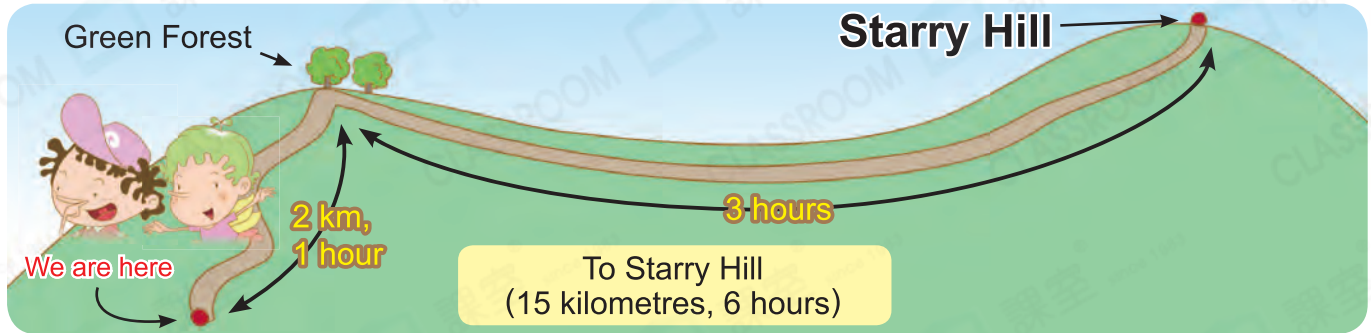
5. : How far (does it take / is it) from here to the temple?

: It's (500 metres / 5 minutes).

6. : How long does it take (to get there from here / from here to there)?

: It takes (1 kilometre / an hour).

E. Matt and Isabel are asking a girl for directions. Read the map below and complete their conversation.



Matt : Let's go to Starry Hill. The view from the hill is very beautiful.

Isabel : But we don't know how to get there... See, there is a girl. Let's ask her.

Matt : Excuse me. *e.g.* _____ How far is it _____ from here to Starry Hill?

Girl : It is a long way. It *e.g.* _____ is 15 kilometres _____.

Matt : ① _____ to travel from here to Starry Hill?

Girl : It ② _____.

Isabel : Are there any other ways that take less time?

Girl : Yes, you can go to Green Forest first. It only takes 3 hours to get to Starry Hill from Green Forest.

Isabel : ③ _____ from here to Green Forest?

Girl : It is not far. It ④ _____.

Matt : ⑤ _____ to travel from here to Green Forest?

Girl : It ⑥ _____.

Matt : OK. Thank you very much. You are really helpful.

Girl : You're welcome. Be careful. Goodbye!

Take care of one another when you and your friends are in a strange place.