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**Level 4 – 15th July, 2018**

## Flying "car" could be on sale next year

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1807/180715-flying-car-4.html>

A new age of transport is near. A flying car called BlackFly, from Google's Larry Page, could go on sale next year. It can travel for up to 40km at a speed of 100kph. It could cost the same as a regular car. Canada has allowed its use. Even though it will fly in the sky, people will not need a pilot's license to fly it. However, users will have to pass a pilot's written examination. They will also need training in how to use the vehicle.

Critics say "car" is the wrong word because it has no wheels and cannot go on roads. It is a single-person drone. The company said: "Opener is re-energizing the art of flight with a safe and affordable flying vehicle that can free its operators from the everyday restrictions of ground transportation." A former Google vice-president said the age of personal flight is near. He said: "Things go from impossible to inevitable in a very short period of time."

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# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1807/180715-flying-car-4.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                           |                     |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. A new age of transport | a. up to 40km       |
| 2. go on sale             | b. license          |
| 3. It can travel for      | c. use the vehicle  |
| 4. It could cost the same | d. next year        |
| 5. need a pilot's         | e. training         |
| 6. a pilot's written      | f. is near          |
| 7. They will also need    | g. as a regular car |
| 8. how to                 | h. examination      |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                           |                     |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Critics say the term   | a. one person       |
| 2. a person-              | b. to inevitable    |
| 3. The vehicle carries    | c. affordable       |
| 4. It is powered by       | d. of time          |
| 5. safe and               | e. flight is near   |
| 6. the age of personal    | f. eight propellers |
| 7. go from impossible     | g. "car" is wrong   |
| 8. in a very short period | h. carrying drone   |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A (1) \_\_\_\_\_ transport is near. A flying car called BlackFly, from Google's Larry Page, could (2) \_\_\_\_\_ next year. It can travel for up to 40km (3) \_\_\_\_\_ of 100kph. It could cost the same as a regular car. Canada (4) \_\_\_\_\_ use. Even though it will fly in the sky, people will not need a (5) \_\_\_\_\_ fly it. However, users will have to pass a pilot's written examination. They will also (6) \_\_\_\_\_ how to use the vehicle.

Critics say "car" is the wrong word because it (7) \_\_\_\_\_ and cannot go on roads. It is (8) \_\_\_\_\_ drone. The company said: "Opener is re-energizing the (9) \_\_\_\_\_ with a safe and affordable flying vehicle that can free its operators from the everyday (10) \_\_\_\_\_ transportation." A former Google vice-president said the age of personal (11) \_\_\_\_\_. He said: "Things go from impossible to inevitable in a (12) \_\_\_\_\_ of time."

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# FLYING CARS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1807/180715-flying-car-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about flying cars in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

