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Unit 2

What can we share?

In this unit, you will learn how to

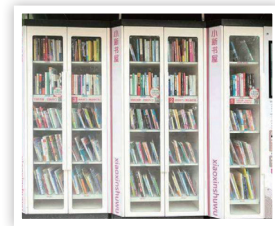
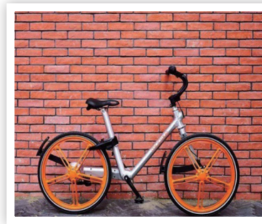
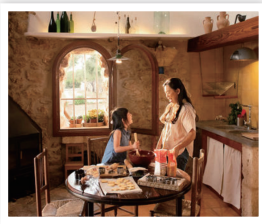
- ✓ make conversations about using sharing services with instructions;
- ✓ present reasons for sharing a certain service with strangers or not;
- ✓ express opinions and attitudes towards sharing lifestyle with certain rules.



You will also learn to understand different sharing cultures.

Getting Ready

1 Think about what we can share and choose the right words for the following pictures.



Services you can choose:

bicycles	rooms	umbrellas
cars	power banks	books

2 Write down what we can share in the following list.

What can people share?

Daily necessities: _____

Places: _____

Skills: _____

Services: _____

Others: _____

Listening



1 Listen and answer the following questions.

(1) What does Mike want?

(2) Where can a charging station probably be found?

2 Listen again and decide whether the following statements are true or false.

	True	False
(1) Mike's phone does not work.		
(2) Mike can borrow a power bank with WeChat.		
(3) It will cost 6 yuan if Mike borrows the power bank for 2 hours.		
(4) It is the first time that Mike borrowed a power bank.		

3 Listen for the third time and underline the expressions about borrowing and returning.

Mike: Li Mei, my phone battery is almost dead. Do you happen to have a power bank with you?

Li Mei: No, Mike, I don't. But I saw a charging station with sharing power banks on the first floor of the shopping mall.

Mike: Could you show me how to borrow one?

Li Mei: Sure. First of all, do you have Alipay on your phone?

Mike: Yes, I have been using it a lot.

Li Mei: Perfect. Scan the QR code on the charging station with the Alipay app.
Then a power bank pops out, you can use it.

Mike: What about the cost?

Li Mei: It costs 3 yuan per hour.

Mike: How do I return it?

Li Mei: You take it back to the charging station,
be sure to follow instructions, and every-
thing will be OK.

Mike: That's really convenient! I have seen these charging stations in many
restaurants and shopping malls. I don't need to worry about my power
supply now.



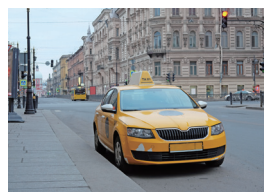
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1 Listen and choose the best answer.

(1) Which platform is being talked about?



A



B



C

(2) Which of the following statements describes ride-sharing correctly?

- A. Ride-sharing is always safe.
- B. Nothing can be done to protect your safety once you share a ride.
- C. You'd better share your trip information when sharing a ride.

2 Listen again and complete the safety tips for sharing a ride.

PROPER

Safety Tips for Sharing a Ride	
The government should	require platforms to _____ their business regulations.
The platforms should	_____ the stricter drivers' background checks.
	protect passengers' _____.
	send _____ to passengers.
The passengers should	_____ emergency contacts to the app.
	_____ their trip information.
	be _____.

Li Mei: Hi, Mike. I had my first ride share this morning. There was not much traffic. The driver was quite nice. It was such a pleasant experience!

Mike: That sounds great! A lot of attention has been given to the safety of ride-sharing platforms.

Li Mei: What measures do you think should be taken to protect the passengers?

Mike: I think the government should require platforms to improve their business regulations (业务监管).

Li Mei: I agree. Stricter drivers' background checks need to be carried out.

Mike: Moreover, passengers' personal information should only be available to the passengers themselves.

Li Mei: I have also noticed that passengers are given safety advice.

Mike: It does make trips safer when the passengers add their emergency contacts to the app and share their trip information.

Li Mei: Safety should always come first. You can never be too careful.

Mike: You are right, especially when you have to share a ride with people you don't know very well.

Speaking

Work with your partner and act out the following scenes.

Situation 1 You are in a restaurant. Your phone battery is low. Discuss with your partner how to borrow and return a power bank.

A: Mike, my phone battery is low. Could you help me?

B: Of course. I know a charging station...

Bank of Expressions

- If you want to borrow a power bank
Download Alipay on your phone.
Open WeChat.
...
- When you return a power bank
Scan the QR code.
Make the payment.
...

Situation 2 You are heading back home from work at midnight. You decide to call a taxi and share a ride with a stranger. One of your colleagues believes it is not very safe. Make a dialogue with your partner to talk about the reasons.

A: Lucy, how do you go home?

B: Er ..., I would like to take a shared taxi. It will come in 5 minutes.

...

Bank of Expressions

- It's cheaper. It saves energy and resources.
- I can add emergency contacts and share my trip information.
- The driver is not under strict management.

Reading



Would you like to share make-ups with strangers?

A new trend of “shared make-up rooms” has been springing up in many Chinese cities since late 2018.

Ms Liu, a woman in her twenties from Shanghai

I think sharing make-up rooms is a very creative idea. The concept would attract people because it allows them to try different products without being “forced” by salespersons at make-up counters to buy something that might not be right for them. But I may not use them often because I do not think they are very practical.

Ms Wang, a Wuhan-based user

I would use them often. I can help myself to a range of beauty products from high-end (高端的) western brands. The rooms also provide brushes and other disposable application tools. The cost is quite OK. It costs 58 yuan for one sitting, which is a good deal.



Ms Li, a woman in eastern Shandong province

Make-ups are personal items. I really cannot accept sharing certain products with strangers. Lipstick, for example, when a lot of people use it, is not very clean. It can carry viruses or skin diseases.

1 Read and tick the following statements that match the opinions of Ms Liu, Ms Wang and Ms Li.

Ms Liu

- The shared make-up room is like a novel.
- People can buy make-ups in the room.
- I like the concept but I may not use them often.
- People are often forced to buy products they do not need.

Ms Wang

- My skin is not good.
- I want to use high-end beauty products.
- It costs 58 yuan for using the room each time.
- All application tools can be used again and again.

Ms Li

- Lipsticks have many viruses.
- Some products are not clean to use.
- Make-ups should be used by oneself.
- It is safe to share products with strangers.

2 Discuss and write down your opinions on sharing make-up rooms with useful expressions in the passage.

I think ...

B

Share trust as well as space

If a stranger offered you money to keep a suitcase in your spare room, would you accept it? Or, if you had too many belongings, would you trust someone you met online to keep them safe?

Anthony Paine believes most of us would answer “Yes” to these questions. So he started his own business, Stashbee. It allows people to rent out their space to those in need.



In a sharing economy, people can also rent things out like their beds, bikes and even parking spaces. For example, Airbnb provides a platform for such short-term services.

This kind of business has become successful because more and more people have changed their minds about trusting strangers. It is also believed that it is because there is a gap in the market for those who want to store things for very short periods of time. For example, if you have three hours to kill in a city before your train leaves, what would you do with your suitcase? CityStasher hopes you will choose to leave it at one of their local agencies, which can be found through their website, rather than in the train station’s more expensive luggage office.

Would you try it out? It is a question of whom you trust.



1 Read and match the word with the meaning according to the passage.

A. suitcase

B. belongings

C. agency

D. luggage office

a. a place where bags can be left for a short time, especially at a railway station

b. a business or an organisation that provides a particular service

c. things you own

d. a case with flat sides and a handle, used for carrying clothes, etc., when you are travelling

2 Read again and decide whether the following statements are true or false.

		True	False
(1)	Don't accept a stranger's offer of help when you have difficulty in handling your belongings.		
(2)	Anthony Paine believes that most people would allow a stranger to keep a suitcase in their space room.		
(3)	The customer can leave his / her luggage at a local agency rather than in a luggage office.		
(4)	Stashbee is a platform for business consulting.		
(5)	Trusting strangers is becoming more and more difficult under sharing economy.		

Writing

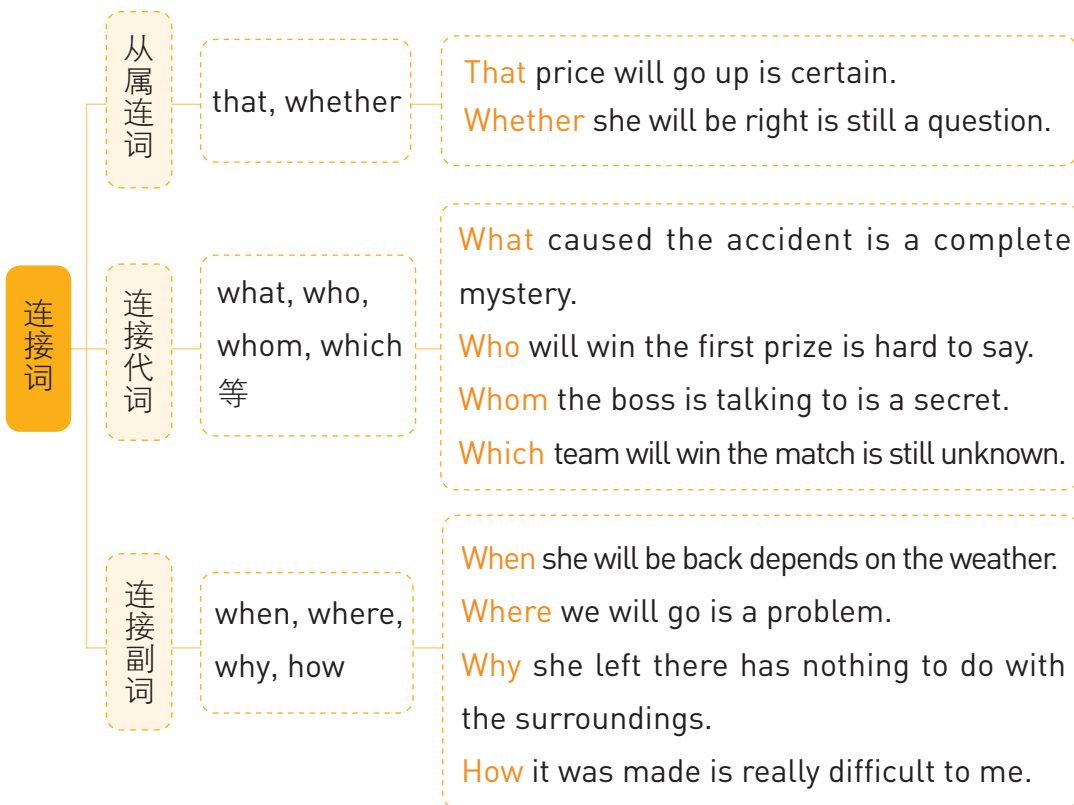
1 Grammar Focus.

Subject clause (主语从句)

基本结构: It is true that the Earth is round.

Whether he will come hasn't been decided.

that, whether 在主语从句中不充当任何成分, 只起连接作用, 但不能省略。

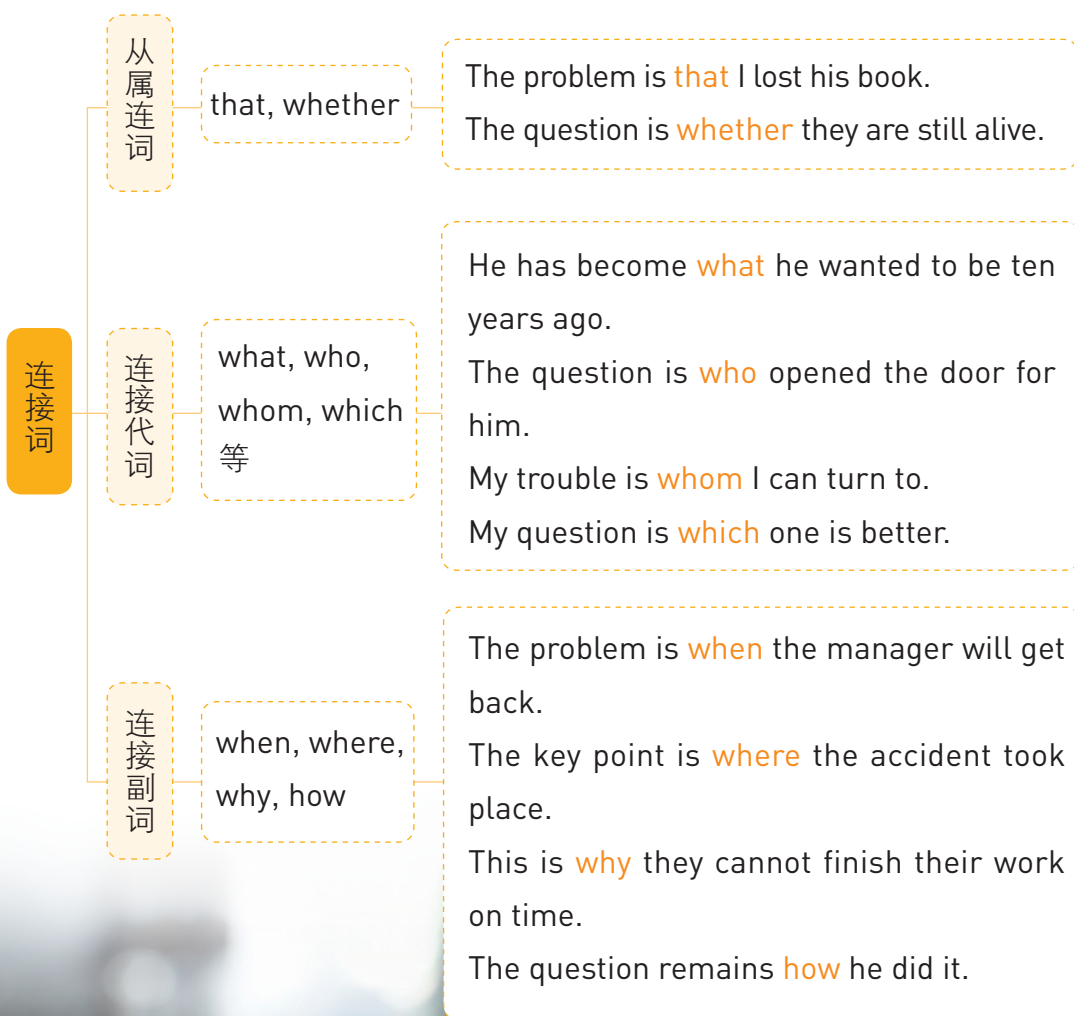


Predicative clause (表语从句)

基本结构: That is what we should do.

连接词不能省略

从句做表语



2 Practical Writing.

Writing an opinion

We should follow some rules when writing an opinion.

Is playing active video games a good way to keep fit?

Nowadays, many teenagers have got video game consoles at home and they often like playing active video games. I think playing active video games can help us keep fit.

Firstly, active video games are fun and interactive. You can select one from many different types of games such as playing basketball, water-skiing and dancing. You can invite your friends to join you online at any time.

Secondly, since active video games are designed to be electronic competitive sports, they can not only enhance people's judgment and reaction, but also enhance their sense of competition.

To sum up, I believe that active video games are good choices for people who would like to do more exercise at times when outdoor exercise is not practical.

在描述事件、表达观点时，可借助一些表示顺序的副词进行衔接。

Please write a composition to express your attitudes towards shared toys.

Is it good to share toys?

Nowadays, many kids have got their own toys and they often keep buying new ones. However, in my opinion, it is good to _____.

First of all, I think that sharing toys is a good way to _____. Parents can use the money to _____, and it is not necessary for kids to _____.

Second, sharing toys is environmental-friendly. Some kids think that it is convenient to _____, but it is actually _____.

To sum up, _____.

You may use

- play with their own toys at home
- buy books or other necessities for their children
- save money
- share toys with other kids
- a waste to the whole world
- own every toy

Taking Action

Making a presentation on products or services

In China, you can share almost everything with strangers from vehicles to daily necessities, from work spaces to recreation equipment.

Step 1 Interview three students and ask them what shared products or services they use and what they think of this lifestyle.

You may ask

Have you ever used any shared products?

What shared products do you use a lot?

Do you like this lifestyle?

What else do you think we can share?

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Step 2 Complete the following table with main ideas.

Name	Question 1	Question 2	Question 3	Question 4

Step 3 Summarise your classmates' answers with key words, pictures and video clips.

Step 4 Make slides and present it to the whole class within 5 minutes.

Understanding Culture

What is mine is yours, for a fee

Sharing economy refers to a phenomenon where individuals share their spare resources via third-party online platforms to make money. The sharing economy will become a new **driving force** in economic growth.

驱动力

The sharing economy is taking off in China, where bicycles, phone chargers, umbrellas and even basketballs can all be rented by the hour. Telephone box-style karaoke booths outside malls and supermarkets in some of the biggest cities allow **crooners** to **dart in** for a swift lunchtime song or two, and even record it.

吟唱者

冲进去

Perhaps the best-known example of a company in this field is Airbnb—an American lodging web business which allows you to rent out your spare room to **holidaymakers**.

度假者

A British company is doing something with parking spaces. JustPark's founder, Anthony Eskinazi, says: "When I had the original idea, I spotted a driveway close to a sports stadium. It would have been so convenient if I could have just parked in that driveway rather than in a commercial car park."

In Japan, flea market applications like Mercari, are **transforming** from being just a way of disposing of unneeded items to becoming a new answer to share individual demand.

改变



Checking Progress

In this unit, the words I have learnt are

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> platform | <input type="checkbox"/> regulation | <input type="checkbox"/> personal | <input type="checkbox"/> belongings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> gap | <input type="checkbox"/> available | <input type="checkbox"/> improve | <input type="checkbox"/> counter |

Other words I have learnt are

In this unit, the expressions I have learnt are

- | | | |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> emergency contact | <input type="checkbox"/> allow to | <input type="checkbox"/> rather than |
| <input type="checkbox"/> rent out | <input type="checkbox"/> carry out | <input type="checkbox"/> start business |
| <input type="checkbox"/> be available to | <input type="checkbox"/> personal information | |

Other expressions I have learnt are

I am able to

- talk about the advantages and disadvantages of sharing products or services.
- describe the sharing lifestyle.
- express my opinions on sharing economy.
- use subject clause and predicative clause correctly.