**Comparing Transport**

**1. The Tube**

**Journey Time**
From Heathrow to King's Cross takes approximately 1 hour. There are no traffic delays on the tube, but there are sometimes other problems and delays can occur.

**Cost**
From Heathrow to central London it costs £3.70 for an adult single fare, £1.50 for a child single fare.

**Frequency**
Trains leave every few minutes.

**Comfort**
The tube can be overcrowded, especially during the rush hour. There is limited space for luggage. Smoking is not allowed on the underground.

**2. Airbus**

**Journey Time**
From Heathrow terminal 4 to London takes approximately 1 hour 45 minutes. (journey time is subject to delay due to traffic conditions).

**Cost**
From Heathrow to central London it costs £8.00 for an adult single fare, £4.00 for a child single fare.

**Frequency**
Coaches leave every 20 - 30 minutes.

**Comfort**
When you book your ticket you are guaranteed a seat. Modern air-conditioned, double-decker coaches. Smoking is not allowed on Airbus services.

**3. Heathrow Express**

**Journey Time**
From Heathrow to Paddington takes 15 minutes.

**Cost**
From Heathrow to Paddington costs £13.00 for an adult single fare, £6.00 for a child single fare. There is also a 10% discount for booking online.

**Frequency**
Trains leave every 15 minutes.

**Comfort**
Modern, air conditioned trains. Smoking is not allowed on the Heathrow Express. A special 'quiet zone' is available.

**4. Taxi**

**Journey Time**
The journey time obviously changes according to the time of day and traffic conditions (road works, diversions etc), but allow between 30 and 75 minutes.

**Cost**
Cost can vary according to which minicab company you use, but a typical fare is around £34.00

**Frequency**
There are usually lots of taxis available, but you may like to book in advance and be met at the airport.

**Comfort**
You may get talking to the cabby - London taxi drivers are famous for their abililty to 'chat'.