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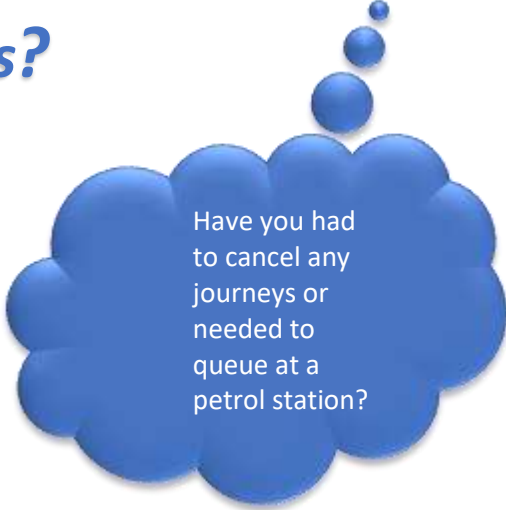
Read through the information below about the fuel crisis and the shortage of lorry drivers. Do you think enough is being done to help solve the issues?

Why are people queuing at petrol stations?

Transport secretary Grant Shapps said oil refineries had "plenty of petrol" and that the government could bring in the army to help drive fuel tankers if needed. However, there is a small percentage of stations that have limited supplies of fuel and others that have had to shut completely due to the current shortage of lorry drivers.

What is being done to increase the numbers of lorry drivers?

- More examiners will be brought in to increase the number of HGV driving tests.
- There will be free intensive bootcamps to train 3000 people to become HGV drivers, with another 1000 to be trained through courses funded by the adult education budget.
- The government are writing to nearly one million drivers who hold a HGV licence to encourage them to return to work.
- The government are allowing more workers from other countries into the UK from October.



Have you had to cancel any journeys or needed to queue at a petrol station?

How do lorry drivers help us?

Lorry drivers work around the clock to provide us with almost everything you could imagine! Our supermarkets with food and drinks, shops with clothes, hospitals with medical supplies and much more.

