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When he is not studying or doing projects for school, Rishab immerses himself in the books by Roald Dahl. Rishab's father is a government employee while his mother is a homemaker.

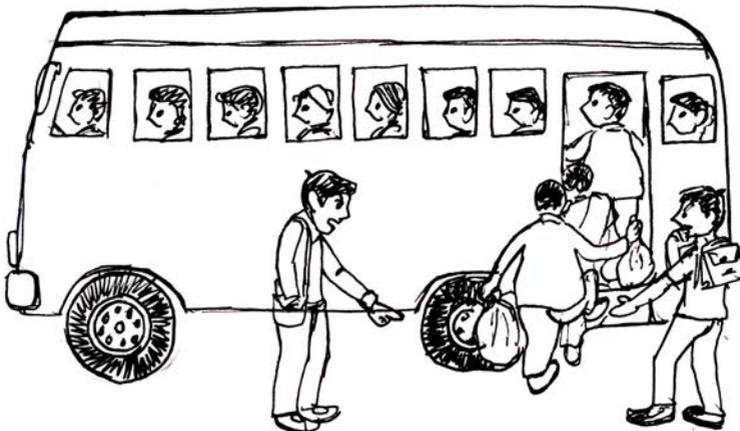
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# Pay as you weigh

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Changing lifestyle and food  
habits are contributing to the  
rise in numbers of overweight  
and obese persons



“With this system, one needs to pay only as much as one weighs. The benefit of this system is that people will carry less luggage while travelling. At present, I have kept this idea limited to private air-conditioned buses but it can be applied to public buses and other modes of commuting, as well,” says Rishab, whose favourite subject is Maths.

“When I shared this idea with friends, some of them discouraged me saying that the system may not work as people who want to carry more luggage, will have to pay more. But I am positive that this idea will motivate people to stay fit and travel light. My tuition teacher supported me a lot and my parents are really excited about the idea,” says Rishab.

