

# LISTENING COMPREHENSION: LETTERPRESS PRINTING

Watch the videos about Letterpress Printing, then answer the questionnaire.

- **Introduction to Letterpress Printing.**  
URL: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=05RUAIScXH0>
- **atplay.io -- How to: Use a vintage letterpress**  
URL: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JJa5anhdmYs>
- **The Letterpress Process | By Phylecia Letterpress Boutique.**  
URL: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xM8FN0-M\\_LU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xM8FN0-M_LU)
- **Make letterpress business cards using magnesium printing plates.**  
URL: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xIHbgovJGlg>

# Questionnaire

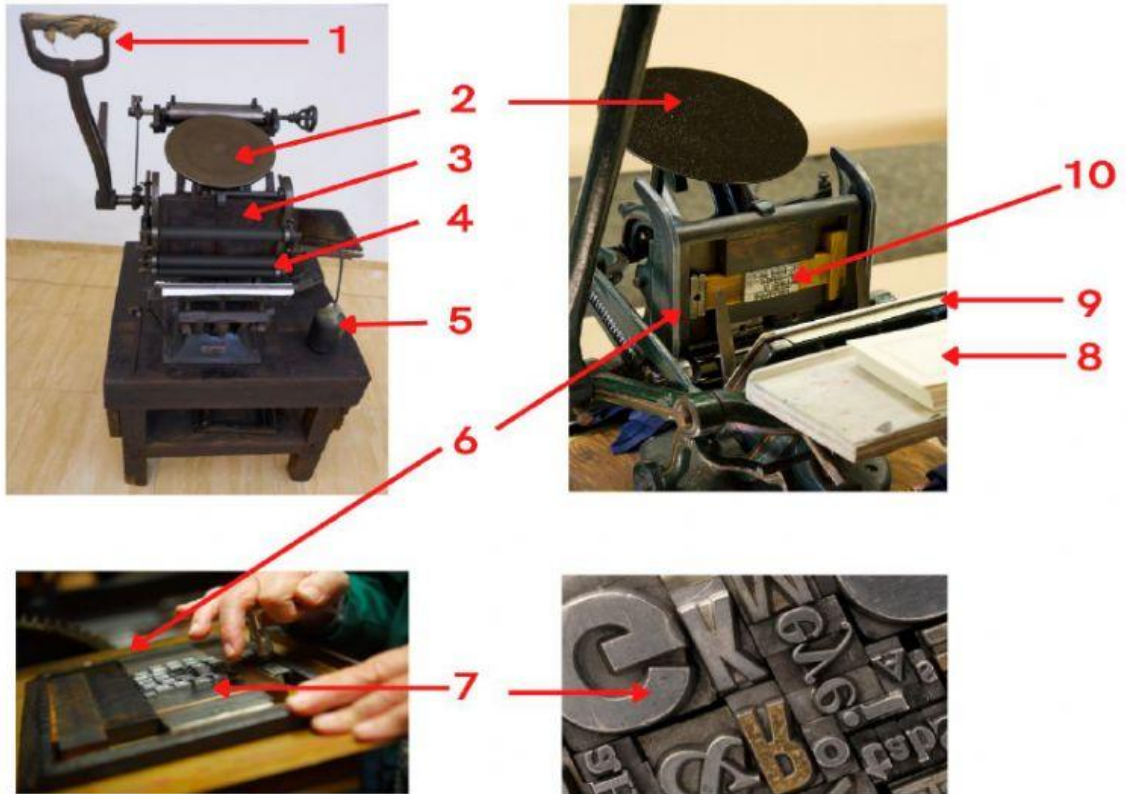
**Activity 1.** Say if the sentences are True or False.

- a) Letterpress printing is more than five centuries old.
  - True
  - False
  
- b) The letterpress technique is a form of relief printing.
  - True
  - False
  
- c) Johannes Gutenberg invented the first letterpress machine in Europe.
  - True
  - False
  
- d) The first letterpress machines used metal movable type and wood blocks with carvings to print the text and illustrations.
  - True
  - False
  
- e) You can use 3D printers to create movable type.
  - True
  - False
  
- f) You can use photopolymer plates and magnesium plates with a letterpress machine.
  - True
  - False
  
- g) You can use digital technology to create stylish designs and print them with the letterpress technique.
  - True
  - False

- h)** You can only print on soft paper with a flat surface.
- True
  - False
- i)** You can feed custom size paper to the letterpress machine.
- True
  - False
- j)** Paper is cut by hand or using a machine.
- True
  - False
- k)** You feed four sheets of paper at a time.
- True
  - False
- l)** You can print two or more colours at a time.
- True
  - False
- m)** The letterpress technique requires spot colour inks.
- True
  - False
- n)** To create spot colours, you usually mix inks by hand.
- True
  - False
- o)** The letterpress machine requires oil and attention to maintenance.
- True
  - False
- p)** To clean the letterpress, you can only use solvent, which is toxic.
- True
  - False

- q)** There are letterpress workshops where you can learn about this printing technique.
- True
  - False
- r)** A letterpress 'kiss impression' is flat; no indentation in the paper is visible or felt by touch.
- True
  - False
- s)** You can change the indentation depth by using more 'packing' at the back of the paper.
- True
  - False
- t)** If you use soft cotton paper, the indentation will be as deep as if you use card stock.
- True
  - False

**Activity 2.** Identify the parts of the Letterpress machine. Write the number next to the name.



**Chase**

**Chase Bed**

**Ink Plate (Ink Disk)**

**Ink Rollers**

**Oil Can**

**Operating Handle**

**Packing**

**Paper (Printing Substrate)**

**Printing Plate (Reverse Text & Graphics)**

**Type**