

TRUE or FALSE? Correct the false sentences.



- Spain bottles more olive oil than Greece and Italy combined.
- A large amount of Spain's budget goes to local regional government, to be spent on employment.
- Public transport and the health service are paid for altogether by the public.
- Taxes are deducted from workers' salaries and profits that companies make.

TRUE or FALSE? Correct the false sentences.



- Public administrations such as the national Parliament, the autonomous communities and the municipalities, make a budget to calculate how much taxes cost.

- We pay sales tax or a value added tax every time we work or use a service.

Join the sentence halves:



Taxes are deducted from ...

A budget is made up to ...

The government or local administration is given permission to collect taxes ...

Some autonomous communities have powers to decide issues relating to ...

A portion of our taxes ...

... education, health, law enforcement and taxation.

... pay for our pensions when we retire.

... calculate how much public services cost.

... workers' salaries and profits that companies make.

... after the budget is approved.

Check what you see in the picture:



1. library
2. public transport
3. festival planning
4. emergency services
5. parliament
6. education
7. street cleaning
8. city hall

Fill in the chart with the words or phrases below:



free speech one or more provinces divided into three taxes pay for them
all are equal protect the environment has its own flag pay our taxes
building roads each institution is independent has its own statutes free
association obey the law no one body has too much everyone can use them

Power in Spain	Rights	Autonomous region	Responsibilities	Public services

Read the statements and write what each person is complaining about:



A – rights/responsibilities B – public services C – power in Spain

- a) Aiden: 'I can't believe he won again! He has shown the people he is corrupt and not to be trusted. How can they vote for him?' _____
- b) Belen: 'I work 60 hours a week but a lot of what I make goes to taxes.' _____
- c) Juan: 'I don't understand it! The police arrest the bad guys but the courts let them go.' _____
- d) Marisa: 'You can hardly use these roads anymore! Why can't they fix all the cracks and holes?' _____
- e) Elena: 'I'm so tired of waiting for hours and hours in the ER services waiting room.' _____
- f) Maria: 'Where I come from my children had no education, you could be arrested for talking about politics and we are treated like we are nothing.' _____