

 **A** Read the first paragraph and answer the questions.

1. What is the main idea of the paragraph?
 - a. how to be an artist or designer
 - b. business in the future
 - c. using creative thinking to solve problems
2. Who is Edward de Bono?

3. Does the article say creative thinking is a good or bad idea?

 **B** Read the rest of the article. Complete the statements with words from the article.

1. In some areas close to stores, you can only park for _____.
2. People _____ to park in the areas near the stores.
3. The solution was a law saying that parked cars must keep their _____ on.
4. Edward de Bono _____ the "Six Thinking Hats" system.
5. Each hat represents a different _____.
6. The white hat helps you consider the _____ of a problem.
7. The black hat helps people think about why a possible _____ may not work.

 **C** Read the text again. Circle the correct answer.

1. Creative thinking *is / is not* only for artists and designers.
2. People *never / often* leave their cars parked for longer than they should.
3. Dr. Edward de Bono wants people to use creative thinking *more / less* often.
4. The hats in the "Six Thinking Hats" system *are / are not* real.
5. The *white / red* hat helps you focus on your feelings about an idea.
6. You think about why a solution won't work when you "put on" the *red / black* hat.

 **D** Underline the information in the article that means the same as the sentences below.

1. It is false that only people in creative jobs think creatively.
2. Thinking creatively to solve a problem can be helpful in many different areas.
3. Here is a way creative thinking can solve problems with parking downtown.
4. Many drivers don't respect the time limit for parking.
5. The "Six Thinking Hats" system is a way of solving problems by thinking about them from different perspectives.