

Вы услышите 6 высказываний. Установите соответствие между высказываниями каждого говорящего A–F и утверждениями, данными в списке 1–7. Используйте каждое утверждение, обозначенное соответствующей цифрой, только один раз. В задании есть одно лишнее утверждение. Вы услышите запись дважды. Занесите свои ответы в таблицу.

1. Libraries are useful both for adults and kids.
2. Libraries currently need more financial support.
3. The library is a perfect place for work and studies.
4. Libraries provide everyone with equal opportunities.
5. Social work of libraries brings benefits to the community.
6. The digital age is replacing libraries with new devices.
7. The competence of the staff varies from library to library.

Говорящий	A	B	C	D	E	F
Утверждение						

Now we are ready to start.

Speaker A

I can't imagine my life without a library. Even though I'm not able to go to the library every day, I do go there quite often, mostly together with my sons. Our library has a special section for kids, and they have very competent people there who help my kids and many other kids with school assignments. My kids like the library also because they organize interesting activities and offer free courses, by the way, reading time for kids is our favourite.

Speaker B

Libraries are still very much an integral part of our society. Well, at first, they offer various programmes that can improve public literacy. Libraries also teach us responsibility, with the deadlines and fines got from checking out books. I know, some even volunteer hours for students in need of work experience. I've heard from my neighbour who needed a job that the library helped him to get one. All in all, libraries are important for us.

Speaker C

There're still many people in this country, and in the world, who can't afford tablets, computers, smart phones or laptops. Not everyone has Internet access to get their questions answered. And to be honest, I've seen many online books that require you to pay to be able to read them. Libraries give people who are economically struggling a way to find information and enjoy reading as much as anyone who can afford those devices.

Speaker D

In today's society, almost everything can be found online. Everything that a library does can be done online, and probably even faster. I know most of the people through their phones, laptops and iPads do almost everything, including reading books. They use their devices as an easy way to avoid hard work and do things fast. The modern technologies have more advantages, and to be honest, I don't think we need libraries so much.

Speaker E

I'm sure we need libraries. Many people prefer going to the library to study because of its comfort in silence rather than having a laptop at home, which is also a source of distraction. Personally, I love the feeling of a book in my hands and the library atmosphere. I also know that libraries are great for doing research work because it's, mostly, a calm environment, plus many have study rooms where one or a group can sign up to use them.

Speaker F

Libraries are the gates to the future. So it is unfortunate that around the world we observe local authorities seizing the opportunity to close libraries as an easy way to save money, without realizing they are stealing from the future to pay for today. Instead of regarding libraries as obsolete, federal governments should increase funding for improved staffing and technology. Many libraries are in need of building reconstruction as well.