Unit 2 Obligations 1

Reading ; Silly Laws Around The World

Vocabulary :

legislative (adj.): , seatbelt (n.): , slam (v.): , ban (v.): strict (adj.): , prevent (v.): , silly (adj.): , ridiculous (adj.):, offense (n.): , illegal (adj.): , fine (v.): , odd (adj.): , against (prep.): , fasten (v.):

- _____ : stupid or not sensible (โง่, ไร้สาระ)
- _____ : relating to the making of laws (ทางกฎหมาย, เกี่ยวกับสภานิติบัญญัติ)
- _____ : used to say that an action is not wanted or improve of by someone (ต่อต้าน)
- _____ : to shut the door with loud noise (ปิดดังปัง)
- _____ : to officially say that people must not do something (ห้าม)
- _____ : expecting people to obey rules or to do what you say (เข้มงวด)
- _____ :to stop something from happening, or stop someone from doing something (ป้องกัน)
- _____ : very silly (น่าหัวเราะ, น่าขัน, ไร้สาระ)
- _____ : an illegal action or a crime (การกระทำผิด)
- _____ : not allowed by law (ผิดกฎหมาย)
- _____ : to become joined together with buttons, hooks, etc. (รัด, ติด, ยึด)
- _____ : a belt attached to the seat of a car or plane which you fasten around yourself for protection in an accident (เข็มขัดนิรภัย)
- _____ : to make someone pay an amount of money as punishment for breaking the law (ปรับเป็นเงิน)
- _____ : different from what is normal or expected especially in a way that you disapprove of or cannot understand (แปลก, ผิดปกติ)

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Every country has its own set of rules or laws. Laws are created by governments, and they are generally approved by a legislative body—such as the Congress or the Parliament. Laws are typically made for a reason, but some laws can be really silly.

It was once against the law to slam a car door in Switzerland. And Donald Duck comics were banned in Finland because the cartoon character didn't wear pants. In England, if you found a whale on the beach, you couldn't keep it. It belonged to the king because it was considered a special animal.

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Until 1874, people in Belgium had to choose their children's names from a list written at the time of Napoleon. Nowadays many countries still have strict laws regarding names. It is to prevent parents from giving children ridiculous names: In Brazil, a woman was called Disneylandia da Silva, and twins were called Fish and Chips in New Zealand.

However, the United States may have the strangest laws:

- It is against the law to sleep on top of a refrigerator outdoors or to sing in the bathtub in Pennsylvania.
- In Alaska, it is an offense to push a live moose out of a plane.
- And it is illegal in Massachusetts to put a gorilla in the back seat of your car. So remember, if you're taking your pet gorilla for a drive, you have to put him in the front seat and don't forget to fasten his seatbelt, or you could be fined.

Why do you think those laws were made in the U.S.?

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Directions: Read each passage carefully and choose the correct answer to each question. You will gain one mark for each correct answer. อ่านเนื้อเรื่องต่อไปนี้ และเลือกคำตอบที่ถูกต้องที่สุดเพียงคำตอบเดียว

1. _____ create laws.
   1. Advertisers
   2. Governments
   3. Movie makers
   4. Doctors

2. In _____ it was illegal to slam a car door shut.
   1. Finland
   2. England
   3. Switzerland
   4. Belgium

3. Finland banned _____.
   1. whales
   2. car doors
   3. Donald Duck comics
   4. None of the above

4. _____ were considered property of the king in England.
   1. Comic books
   2. Car doors
   3. Whales
   4. Names

5. In which country were twins give the name "fish and chips"?
   1. England
   2. Finland
   3. Parliament
   4. New Zealand

6. Which country has the strangest laws?
   1. England
   2. Finland
   3. US
   4. New Zealand

7. In which state is it illegal to push a moose out of a plane?
   1. Pennsylvania
   2. Alaska
   3. Massachusetts
   4. US

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