

THIS ACTIVITY CONSISTS OF 3 PARTS:

Listen to the extract from a radio programme about names and do the exercises to practise and improve your listening skills.

1. Check your understanding: true or false

Circle *True* or *False* for these sentences.

1.	The US starts trends in names that Britain sometimes follows.	True	False
2.	Using nouns as names is a completely new fashion.	True	False
3.	Names that seem to come from nature could come from surnames.	True	False
4.	'Ridge' is a name that is inspired by nature.	True	False
5.	'Lyric' is a relatively popular name.	True	False
6.	All the different months are popular as names.	True	False
7.	'Blue' is a popular name for boys.	True	False
8.	'Apple' is probably becoming popular because of the company of that name.	True	False
9.	People soon accept names that seem strange at first.	True	False
10.	The Beckhams' daughter was named after a famous writer.	True	False
11.	'Rowling' is a popular name because of the Harry Potter writer.	True	False
12.	There is a Dutch family with six children whose names all use the same letters.	True	False

12 points

2. Check your understanding: gap fill

Complete the sentences with words from the box.

places	anagrams	abstract qualities	food names
safety and warmth	jobs	inspired by nature	fictional characters

1. Examples of names that are _____ are 'Honor' and 'Passion'.
2. Examples of names that suggest _____ are 'Shelter', 'Bay' and 'Harbor'.
3. Examples of names that could be _____ are 'Frost', 'Wolf', 'Fox' and 'Bear'.
4. Examples of _____ are 'Olive' and 'Clementine'.
5. Examples of names that are _____ are 'Chelsea' and 'Brooklyn'.
6. Examples of names that are _____ are 'Taylor', 'Mason' and 'Cooper'.
7. Examples of names taken from _____ are 'Bella', 'Edward' and 'Hermione'.
8. Examples of names that are _____ of each other are 'Alex', 'Lexa', 'Xela' and 'Xeal'.

8 points

3. Answer the following questions:

Do you like your name? Why/ not?

Is there a story how you have got your name? Have you been named after someone?

Does your name have any particular (or, special) meaning?

If you could change your name, would you? [Why/Why not?]

2 points per complete answer