2 LISTENING & SPEAKING

a You're going to listen to part of a radio money programme about the Bank of Happiness in Tallinn, the capital of Estonia. What do you think the bank does?



Airi Kivi from the Bank of Happiness

b 7.8 Listen once. How does the bank work? Choose the correct description.

1 You pay money into the bank, and receive help in return.
2 You help somebody, and the bank pays you.
3 You help somebody, and then somebody else helps you.

c Listen again and choose a, b, or c.

1 Tallinn is one of the world's smart cities because ___.
   a the people who live and work there use a lot of technology
   b the people are very clever
   c the government wants the people to be more intelligent
2 The Bank of Happiness makes it possible for people to ___.
   a borrow money cheaply
   b get services without paying for them
   c buy property in other countries
3 Which of the following could you post on the Bank of Happiness?
   a I'm looking for a partner.
   b I need somebody to lend me €1,000.
   c I need somebody to give me English lessons.
4 Airi Kivi started the Bank of Happiness because she wanted ___.
   a people to help each other
   b to make people richer
   c to help people who didn't have jobs
5 In the Bank of Happiness, if somebody takes your dog for a walk ___.
   a you then need to take their dog for a walk
   b you don't need to do anything for them
   c you need to do something for them
6 The principle of the Bank is that ___ makes people happy.
   a having a lot of money and possessions
   b having a lot of friends
   c helping other people

d Answer the questions with a partner.

1 Do you think the Bank of Happiness is a good idea? Do you think it could work in your country?
2 Have you heard of any similar projects? Do they work well?
3 Imagine you're a member of the bank. What can you offer to do? What would you like other people to do for you?

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