

Unit 4 Listening

-Listen to a lecturer explain the difference between two types of businesses; then, complete the exercises.

1. A sharing economy is an economy in which consumers share the purchase and use of goods.
a. True b. False
2. Car sharing, bike sharing, vacation homes and fuel are some types of businesses mentioned.
a. True b. False
3. Toni is very pessimistic about the sharing economy and does not see the benefit in it.
a. True b. False

2 a Listen again. Mark the statements that reflect what Toni thinks.

- 1 The sharing economy is a revolutionary business concept.
- 2 The sole aim of the sharing economy is to save money.
- 3 Sharing cars only cuts costs for the car owners.
- 4 Businesses can help people share resources more efficiently.
- 5 Car sharing networks won't really affect the car industry.
- 6 Consumer needs will change in the future.
- 7 The sharing economy won't affect the oil industry.
- 8 Changes to the energy networks will probably take more than a decade.