American Express container-ship operator fashion/retail Finnish Japanese Korean Nokia oil and gas pharmaceuticals Toyota

| Company | Main activity | Nationality |
|---|---|---|
| Cisco Systems | Internet-equipment supplier | American |
| ............[1] | Car manufacturer | ............[2] |
| Inditex | ............[3] | Spanish |
| ............[4] | Travel and financial services provider | American |
| Roche | ............[5] | Swiss |
| Samsung | Electronic-goods maker | ............[6] |
| ............[7] | Telecommunications | ............[8] |
| Hapag–Lloyd | ............[9] | German |
| Petrobras | ............[10] | Brazilian |

head office market share net profit parent company share price subsidiary ~~turnover~~ workforce

1. The amount of money a company receives from sales in a particular period is called its turnover.
2. The money a company makes after taking away its costs and tax is its ............
3. A company which owns another company is called a ............
4. The employees in a particular country or business are called the ............
5. The percentage of sales a company has in a particular market is its ............
6. The main building or location of a large organisation is its ............
7. The cost of a company's shares is its ............
8. A company which is more than 50% owned by another company is called a ............

**Financial performance**

I am pleased to say the parent company[1] has continued its excellent performance. We are changing, growing and doing well at a difficult time for the industry. ...........[2] was €57.2 million, an increase of 15% on last year, and ...........[3] rose by 5% to €6.4 million.

We are a highly competitive business. We have increased our ...........[4] to 20%. Consequently, our ...........[5] has risen and is now at an all-time high of €9.6.

Increased production and strong demand have had a positive effect on our cashflow, so we are able to finance a number of new projects. We have successfully moved to our new ...........[6] in central London. We are now planning to start full production at the recently opened Spanish ...........[7] in October.

Finally, thanks once again to our loyal and dedicated ...........[8]. Our employees will always be our most valuable asset.