

4A. READING COMPREHENSION

Exercise 1. Decide if the following sentences are True (T) or False (F)

1. The Department of Transport's new proposals are expected to make family holidays abroad more affordable.
2. The Chungs have been dealing with the legal case for over two years.
3. The government plans to increase the minimum legal driving age to reduce road deaths.
4. Judge Pearson's lawsuit is based on the claim that the Chungs' signs are misleading.
5. The judge in Brescia ruled that bugging a spouse's car is a criminal offense.
6. The new driving regulations will allow newly qualified drivers to consume alcohol within a year of passing their test.

Exercise 2. Choose the correct answer A, B, C or D

1. Which of the following is the primary reason cited for the proposed increase in the cost of family holidays abroad?
 - a) The need to make aviation pay for its climate change costs
 - b) The high demand for air travel during the peak holiday season
 - c) The premium prices charged during school holidays
 - d) The government's desire to generate additional revenue
2. In the lawsuit against the Chung family's dry cleaning business, what is the key argument made by the customer, Judge Pearson?
 - a) The Chungs failed to provide satisfactory service.
 - b) The Chungs did not offer same-day service as promised.
 - c) The Chungs lost the customer's pair of trousers.
 - d) The Chungs' business signs amounted to fraudulent advertising.
3. Which of the following is NOT one of the proposed new driving measures aimed at reducing road deaths?
 - a) Raising the minimum legal driving age
 - b) Implementing a mandatory 12-month training period for learner drivers
 - c) Imposing a no-alcohol limit for newly qualified drivers
 - d) Introducing a points-based licensing system

4. According to the judge's ruling in Italy, what is now legally permissible for married individuals?

- a) Bugging their spouse's car if they suspect infidelity
- b) Installing hidden cameras in their home to monitor their spouse
- c) Sharing information about their spouse's activities with the authorities
- d) Charging their spouse with invasion of privacy for using a bugging device

Exercise 3. Fill in the blank with one suitable word

**American dream, fraud, signs, unlikely, increase,
holiday, climate change, nightmare, flying, trousers**

1. The cost of an average family holiday abroad is likely to _____(1) under current government plans. The Department of Transport proposals emerged at the height of the _____(2) season, when more than five million people a month fly from British airports. The Department is looking for ways in which aviation can meet its 'full _____(3) costs'. However, this decision is sure to annoy parents, particularly in the summer when they already pay a high premium for _____(4) during school holidays.

2. An immigrant family from South Korea first went into business seven years ago and believed they had found their _____(5). However, the Chungs, who own a dry cleaner's in Washington, are being sued for \$65 million by Roy Pearson, a District of Columbia judge. The judge is suing the Chung family over a missing pair of _____(6), despite the fact that they were later found! The family have been living with this legal _____(7) for over two and they are _____(8) to stay in America if they lose their case. Much of Judge Pearson's lawsuit rests on two _____(9) that Custom Cleaners had on its walls: 'Satisfaction Guaranteed' and 'Same Day Service'. Pearson claims the signs amount to _____(10).