

Listen to Part 1 of a radio programme. What is the main topic of the phone-in? Choose the correct answer.



- coping with hot weather
- improving society
- encouraging creativity

This idea ...

- a** recognises the power of individual actions.
- b** would encourage people to clean up their local environment.
- c** could help solve two social problems at the same time.
- d** has the potential to make street artists' lives easier and safer.
- e** would help to control population growth.
- f** would allow people to use their talents to earn money legally.
- g** combines voluntary work with commercial advantage.

Speaker 1

Speaker 2

Speaker 3

Speaker 4

Complete the collocations in bold, which you heard in the recording in Exercise 1, with the correct forms of the words from the box.

angle blue-sky ✓ bright share prove

- 1 The committee says we need some **blue-sky thinking** in order to find new ideas for charity day.
- 2 Does anyone have any **ideas** for Mika's surprise party?
- 3 To find a solution I think we need to **look at the problem from a different angle**.
- 4 Please **share your thoughts** on what you think went wrong.
- 5 His parents said he wasn't working hard enough and his terrible exam results have **proved them right**.

### Vocabulary extension

#### Exercise 4

Match the collocations from Exercise 3 with their definitions.

Tell someone your opinions/ideas.	share your thoughts
Creative ideas not limited by old views.	prove somebody right
Clever suggestion.	look at something from a different angle
Think about something in a different way.	bright idea
Show that someone is/was correct.	blue-sky thinking