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## lesson



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| <p><b>have money to burn</b><br/> <b>pricey</b> ['praɪsi]<br/> <b>badly off</b> [bædli'ɒf]<br/> <b>in need/needy</b><br/> <b>hard up</b><br/> <b>donate</b> [dəʊ'neɪt]</p> |  |
| <p><b>If someone buys an extremely pricey car, does it necessarily mean that they have money to burn?</b></p>  | <p><i>No, if someone buys an extremely pricey car, it doesn't necessarily mean that they have money to burn.</i></p> |
| <p><b>Do you know anyone who gives the impression that they have money to burn?</b></p>  | <p><i>Yes, I know a person who gives the impression that they have money to burn.</i></p>                            |
| <p><b>Are there any organizations in your country that collect money for needy families?</b></p>   | <p><i>Yes, there are organizations in my country that collect money for needy families.</i></p>                      |
| <p><b>Would you be willing to donate a small part of your salary for people in need?</b></p>   | <p><i>Yes, I would be willing to donate a small part of my salary for people in need.</i></p>                        |
| <p><b>Have you ever been so hard up that you couldn't afford to go out with a friend?</b></p>  | <p><i>No, I've never been so hard up that I couldn't afford to go out with a friend.</i></p>                         |
| <p><b>Do you think that a woman may be left rather badly off after divorcing a man who was the breadwinner?</b></p>  | <p><i>Yes, I think that a woman may be left rather badly off after divorcing a man who was the breadwinner.</i></p>  |

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and listen to the recording  
at home**





**impoverished** [ɪm'pɒvərɪʃt]  
**peanuts** ['pi:nʌts]  
**cost a small fortune/a bomb**  
 ['fɔ:tʃu:n / bɒm]

**Which is the most impoverished region in the world?**

*Sub-Saharan Africa is the most impoverished region in the world.* [sʌbsə'hɑ:rən]

**Do you think that children from impoverished areas are more likely to turn to crime? Why?**

*Yes, I think that children from impoverished areas are more likely to turn to crime because sometimes the situation gives them no other solution.*

**What could be done to provide equal opportunities for all the people in the world?**

*In order to provide equal opportunities, governments could eliminate barriers in trade between countries like customs duty and import tax.*

**If you lost your job and were flat broke, would you be willing to work for peanuts?**

*Yes, if I lost my job and were flat broke, I would you be willing to work for peanuts.*

**Are there many companies in the place where you live which abuse their employees by making them work for peanuts?**

*No, there aren't many companies in the place where I live which abuse their employees by making them work for peanuts.*

**Do you believe that a divorce may leave children spiritually impoverished?**

*Yes, I believe that a divorce may leave children spiritually impoverished.*

**Does it cost a small fortune to organize a wedding party in the place where you live?**

*Yes, it costs a small fortune to organize a wedding party in the place where I live.*



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**posh** [pɒʃ]  
**luxurious** [lʌk'ʒʊəriəs]  
**astronomical** [æstrə'nɒmɪkl]  
**rip somebody off** [rɪpɒf]  
**rip-off** [rɪpɒf]  
**outfit** ['aʊtfɪt]

**What's your idea of a perfect holiday: two weeks on a luxurious cruise ship or camping somewhere close to nature?**

*My idea of a perfect holiday is two weeks on a luxurious cruise ship.* [kru:z]

**Which is the poshest hotel in the place where you live?**

*The poshest hotel in the place where I live is Hilton hotel.*

**What kind of people in your country pay for their children to go to a posh school?**

*In my country celebrities pay for their children to go to a posh school.*

**Do you agree that nowadays the prices of flats in your country are astronomical?**

*Yes, I agree that nowadays the prices of flats in my country are astronomical.*

**Have you ever bought something, and later realized it was a rip-off?**

*Yes, once I bought something, and later realized it was a rip-off.*

**Do you think tourists are often ripped off? Has it ever happened to you?**

*Yes, I think tourists are often ripped off, but it has never happened to me.*

**Have you ever been ripped-off by a taxi driver in a foreign city?**

*No, I've never been ripped off by a taxi driver in a foreign city.*

**Do you believe that a good education is worth a fortune?**

*Yes, I believe that a good education is worth a fortune.*

**If someone tells you that you look posh in your new outfit, what do they mean?**

*If someone tells you that you look posh in your new outfit, they mean that you look extravagant.* [ɪk'strævəgənt]



**pay through the nose**  
**live up to something**  
**affordable** [ə'fɔ:dəbl]

**When there's something wrong with your car, do you take it to the garage yourself, or do you ask someone to go with you in order not to pay through the nose?**

*When there's something wrong with my car, I take it to the garage myself.*

**Have you ever paid through the nose for something that didn't live up to your expectations?**

*No, I've never paid through the nose for something that didn't live up to my expectations.*

**If your favourite band played one concert in your hometown, would you go, even if you had to pay through the nose for a ticket?**

*If my favourite band played one concert in my hometown, I would go, even if I had to pay through the nose for a ticket.*

**Did you ever fail to live up to your school teachers' expectations?**

*No, I never failed to live up to my school teachers' expectations.*

**Why do politicians so often not live up to their promises?**

*Politicians so often do not live up to their promises, because the only thing they care about is money they can make for themselves.*

**Do you believe that the prices of computers are affordable?**

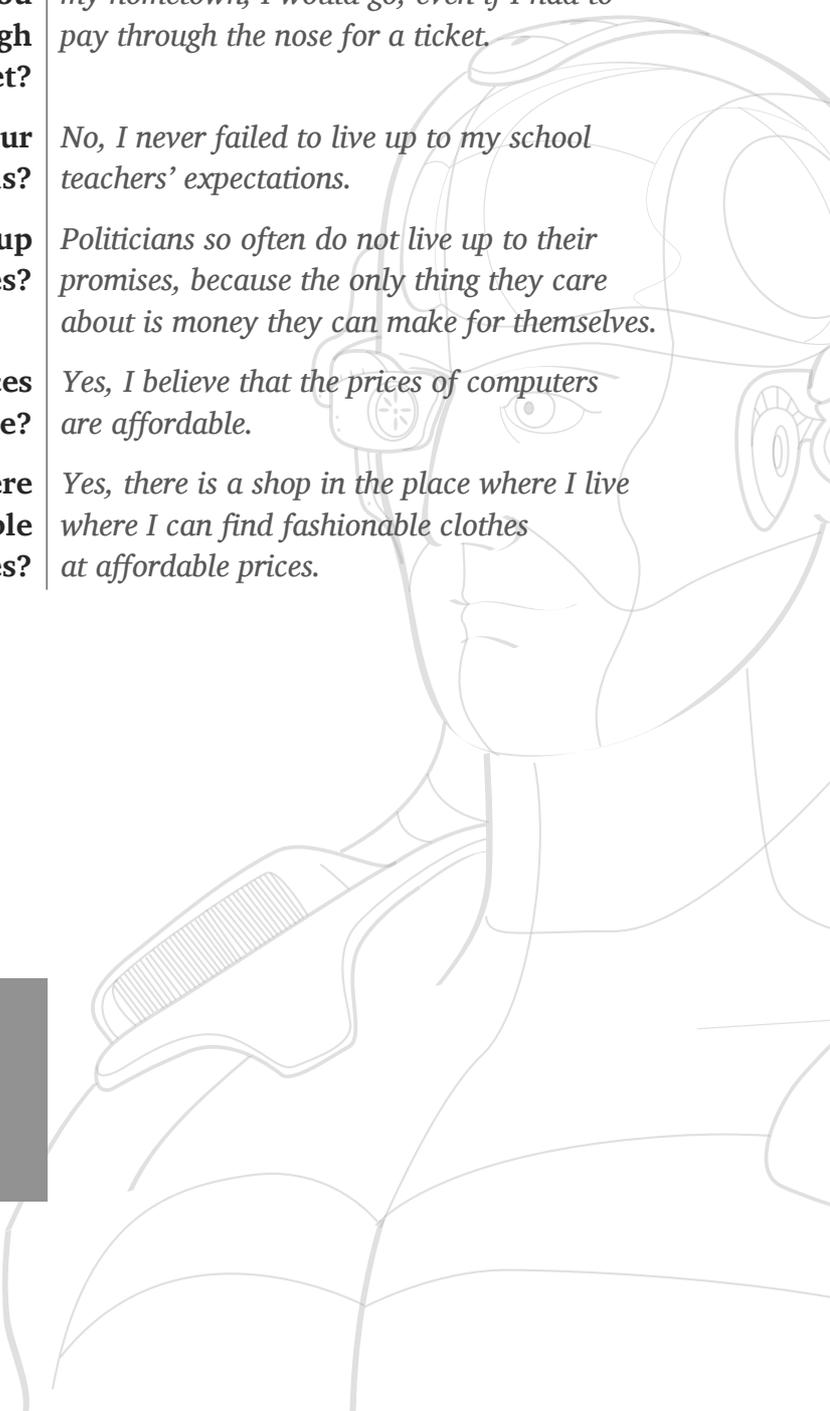
*Yes, I believe that the prices of computers are affordable.*

**Is there any shop in the place where you live where you can find fashionable clothes at affordable prices?**

*Yes, there is a shop in the place where I live where I can find fashionable clothes at affordable prices.*



**Do the exercises on the Internet platform!**





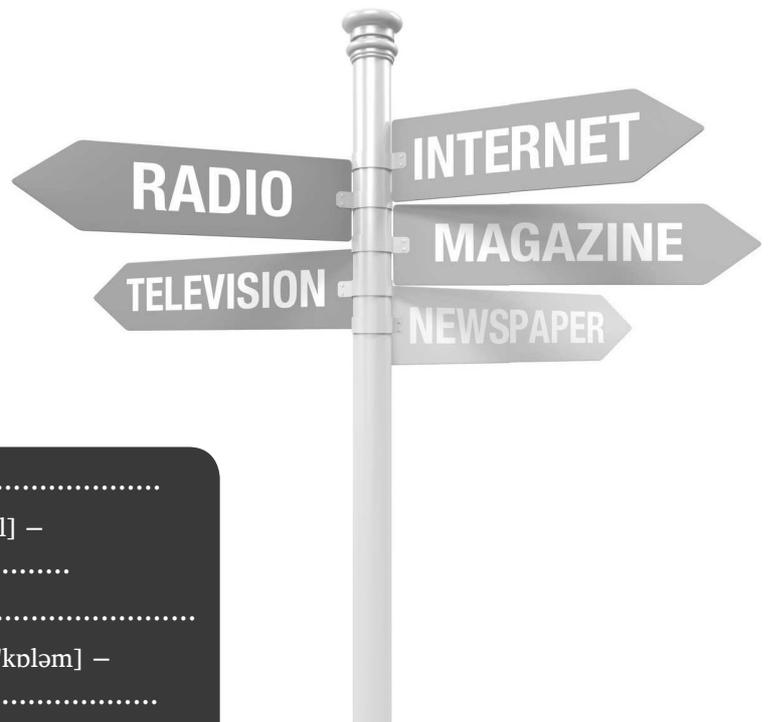
# Reading

**Media. Read the text and do the exercises below.**

I really enjoy and always read obituaries in the paper because it is so interesting to read about the lives of other people. I also often read the leader or editorial since it helps me in forming my opinion on things. Last week I bookmarked the BBC home page as I use it regularly to get the latest news. If you subscribe to newsgroup, you often get hundreds of messages. Not only the Internet but also national newspapers give you all the important news and tips, however if you'd like to sell a car or a flat, the classified ads in the local paper is the best place.

What is more, I just love the Sunday papers. Most British Sunday papers have supplements with articles on travel, food and fashion, so that it keeps me occupied for hours. Last week there was a feature on some new technology in one of them and it was fascinating.

My teenage daughter, on the other hand, prefers magazines, especially the agony columns. I just can't imagine writing to an agony aunt. It amazes me how people are prepared to discuss their most intimate problems publicly. But disregarding this, she always uses her computer to search for some news about celebrities as well. Recently we were both wondering if our software was good enough because we are aware that it is worth updating it frequently.



**obituary** [ə'bitʃuəri] – .....

**editorial** [edi'tɔ:riəl] – .....

**bookmark** ['bukmɑ:k] – .....

**agony column** ['ægəni 'kɒləm] – .....

**supplement** ['sʌplɪmənt] – .....



## Exercise 1

### Find the word in the text.

1. .... - a person, usually a woman, who gives advice to people with personal problems, especially in a regular magazine
2. .... - a special article in a newspaper or magazine, or a special television programme
3. .... - a small advertisement that you put in a newspaper, usually because you want to sell or buy something
4. .... - an article giving the newspaper's editor's opinion
5. .... - a report in a newspaper that gives details about a person who has recently died
6. .... - a part of a magazine or newspaper, either produced separately or as part of the magazine or newspaper
7. .... - sections in a paper or magazine that deal with readers' private emotional problems



## Exercise 2

### Decide whether the sentences are true (T) or false (F).

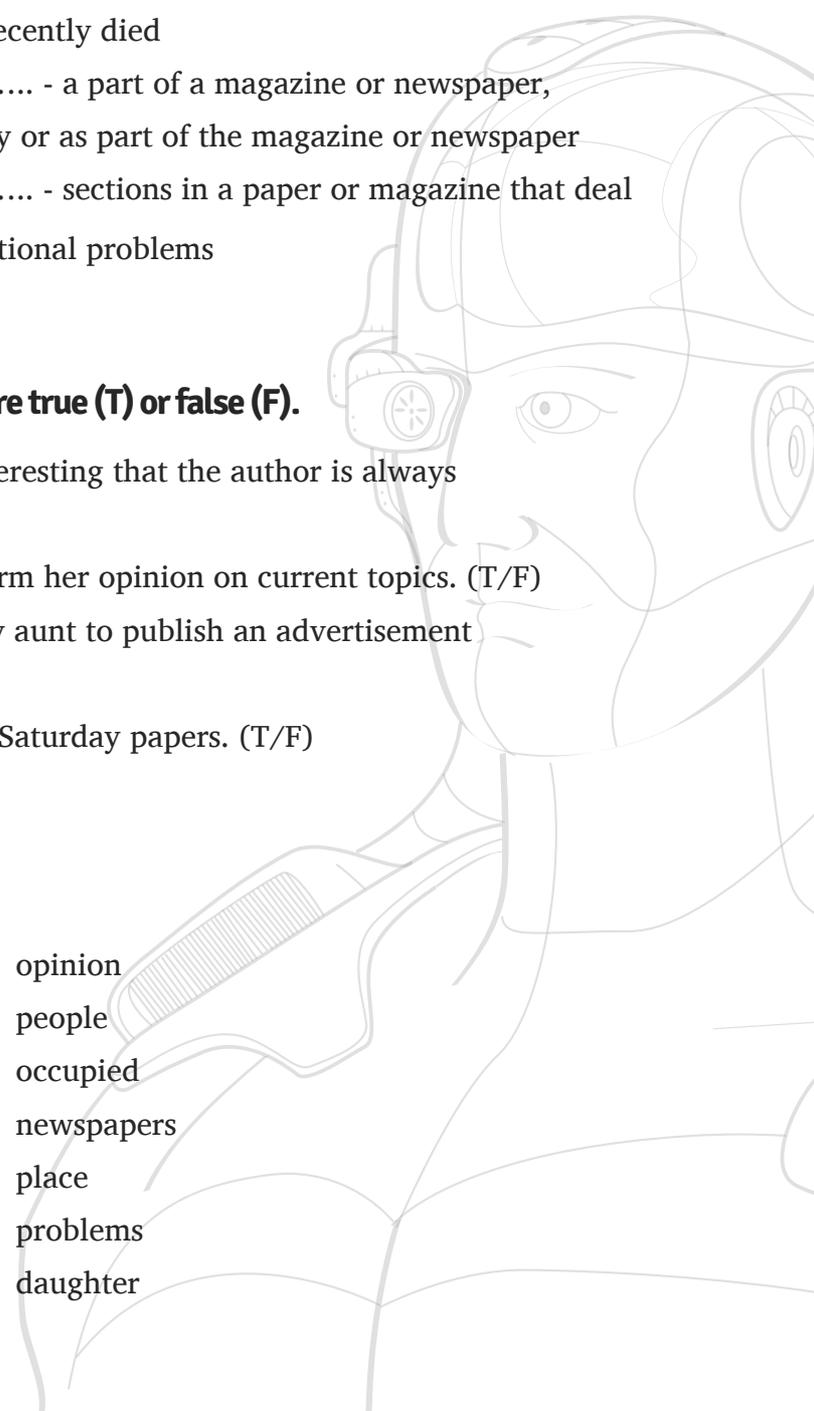
1. Agony columns are so interesting that the author is always reading them. (T/F)
2. She reads the leader to form her opinion on current topics. (T/F)
3. You can always ask agony aunt to publish an advertisement in the newspaper. (T/F)
4. The author loves reading Saturday papers. (T/F)



## Exercise 3

### Match the collocations.

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|---------------|---------------|
| 1. well-known | a) opinion    |
| 2. keep       | b) people     |
| 3. intimate   | c) occupied   |
| 4. form       | d) newspapers |
| 5. teenage    | e) place      |
| 6. best       | f) problems   |
| 7. national   | g) daughter   |





# Grammar and lexical part



## Exercise 1

From the context guess the most likely meaning of the expression in bold.

1. There is a new book of the great musician, but it's written by a **ghost writer**.
  - a) someone who hasn't got the musician's permission
  - b) someone who wrote it on the musician's behalf
  - c) the musician himself but writing it using a different name
  
2. We want to go into **desktop publishing** for our sports club's newsletter.
  - a) published by a school
  - b) published on the Internet
  - c) published using a home computer
  
3. This book is a **facsimile** of an original edition published in 1693.
  - a) an exact reproduction
  - b) a modernised edition
  - c) copy made on a photocopying machine

[fæk'siməli]



## Exercise 2

Add the opposite.

1. spending money like water .....
2. prosper .....
3. disconsolate .....
4. squander .....
5. affluent .....
6. affordable .....
7. have money to burn .....



### Exercise 3

Fill in the gaps using the words below . Two words are superfluous.

*manual prospectus leaflet pamphlet brochure add flyer booklet*

1. The Conservative Party published a ..... on the future of private education.
2. I picked up a ..... about the museum when I was in town.
3. Do you have any ..... about Turkish holidays?
4. Before you choose a university, you should send away for some .....  
.....
5. I was given a ..... about new pub which is opening next month.
6. The tourist office has a free ..... of local walks.



### Exercise 4

Use phrases from Module 2 to describe the situation.

1. Alcohol is widely available and too expensive everywhere in Europe.  
The alcohol is at ..... prices.
2. Rihanna has recently bought a new house with 6 deluxe bedrooms.  
The bedrooms are .....
3. Many students download digital music and movies on pre-paid websites.  
So many students are ..... of digital music and movies.
4. They are irresponsible and don't care about what has been given to them.  
They ..... everything.
5. Christian housing organizations help poor families.  
Those families are .....
6. The Women's Foundation of California is a determined fighter for social change.  
The foundation will never stop so it is .....

