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Money can buy happiness

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THE READING

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The Beatles sang in a song that money can't buy us love. Many people believe money cannot buy happiness and that it is the cause of evil. However, new research says money can buy happiness. A study compared the spending habits of 625 people with their personality. They compared the personalities with a list of what the people bought. The conclusion was that buying the right things can lead to happiness.

The study could change how people think about money and happiness. Internet companies could use information about happiness to recommend things that increase it. A researcher said spending money could be more important in our lives than we thought. She said: "Spending money on products that help us express who we are could...be as important to our well-being as finding the right job...or even the right friends."

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VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1. The Beatles sang | a. research |
| 2. it is the cause | b. people bought |
| 3. new | c. of evil |
| 4. money can | d. things |
| 5. spending | e. in a song |
| 6. a list of what the | f. to happiness |
| 7. buying the right | g. buy happiness |
| 8. lead | h. habits |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. The study could change how | a. than we thought |
| 2. Internet | b. increase it |
| 3. use information | c. to our well-being |
| 4. recommend things that | d. companies |
| 5. spending | e. who we are |
| 6. more important in our lives | f. people think |
| 7. help us express | g. money |
| 8. be as important | h. about happiness |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The Beatles sang (1) _____ money can't buy us love. Many people (2) _____ cannot buy happiness and that it is the (3) _____.

However, new research says money can buy happiness. A study compared the (4) _____ of 625 people with their personality. They compared the personalities (5) _____ what the people bought. The conclusion was that buying (6) _____ can lead to happiness.

The study (7) _____ people think about money and happiness. Internet companies could use information about happiness (8) _____ things that increase it. A researcher said spending money could (9) _____ in our lives (10) _____. She said: "Spending money on products that help us express (11) _____ could...be as important to our well-being as finding the right job...(12) _____ right friends."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)
