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Level 4

Abu Dhabi opens government 'Happiness Cafe'

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THE READING

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The UAE government has opened a new cafe to make its employees happy. The 'Happiness Cafe' is in the Ministry of Culture and Knowledge Development. Staff visit it to unwind and to rejuvenate themselves. The cafe has many sofas and a special decor to give an atmosphere of happiness and positivity. It also has a garden to add a touch of nature. One worker said the cafe helps her to smile more.

The UAE government hopes the cafe will create a positive workplace environment, make workers more productive, and improve their work. The Happiness Cafe is part of a program started by the ruler of Dubai, called the National Program for Happiness and Positivity. The ruler said happiness is, "a renewable and sustainable asset". This program highlights, "the values of positivity and happiness as a way of life". The UAE wants to be in the top five happiest countries.

Sources: <http://www.thenational.ae/uae/happiness-cafe-opens-for-government-employees-in-abu-dhabi>
<http://www.khaleejtimes.com/nation/good-vibes-on-the-menu-at-this-happiness-cafe>
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PHRASE MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1705/170504-happiness-4.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. The UAE government has | a. special decor |
| 2. make its employees | b. a garden |
| 3. Staff visit it to | c. opened a new cafe |
| 4. The cafe has many sofas and a | d. her to smile more |
| 5. give an atmosphere of happiness | e. unwind |
| 6. It also has | f. of nature |
| 7. add a touch | g. happy |
| 8. the cafe helps | h. and positivity |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. create a positive workplace | a. productive |
| 2. make workers more | b. way of life |
| 3. improve | c. of a program |
| 4. The Happiness Cafe is part | d. happiest countries |
| 5. started by the ruler | e. asset |
| 6. a renewable and sustainable | f. environment |
| 7. happiness as a | g. of Dubai |
| 8. the top five | h. their work |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The UAE government has opened a new cafe to (1) _____
happy. The 'Happiness Cafe' (2) _____ of Culture and
Knowledge Development. Staff visit (3) _____ and to
rejuvenate themselves. The cafe has many (4) _____
special (5) _____ atmosphere of happiness and positivity.
It also has a garden to (6) _____ nature. One worker said
the cafe helps her to smile more.

The UAE government hopes the cafe (7) _____ positive
workplace environment, make workers more productive, (8)
_____ work. The Happiness Cafe is part of a program
started (9) _____ Dubai, called the National Program for
Happiness and Positivity. The ruler said (10) _____
renewable and sustainable asset". This program highlights,
"(11) _____ positivity and happiness
(12) _____". The UAE wants to be in the top five happiest
countries.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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HAPPINESS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about happiness in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

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

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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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) _____

