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Level 0

More and more 70-year-olds working

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THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1511/151110-working.html>

Many British 70-74-year-olds are working. Around 10% of them work. This is the highest figure ever. Over 250,000 have jobs. In 2005, it was just 100,000. People are retiring later because pensions are more difficult to live on. Many people cannot retire. They have to work to survive.

There have been big changes in the jobs market. Many people need extra money. They cannot afford to retire. Older people now need good jobs and pensions to decide if they want to stay in work. Older people are starting their own businesses.

This is something they may have dreamed of doing for many years.

Sources: <http://home.bt.com/news/uk-news/one-in-10-70-74-year-olds-now-in-work-11364015197541>
<http://www.itv.com/news/2015-11-07/record-number-of-70-74-year-olds-now-in-work-dwp-figures-show/>

VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Around 10% of | a. on |
| 2. This is the highest | b. jobs |
| 3. Over 250,000 have | c. retire |
| 4. In 2005, it was just | d. figure ever |
| 5. People are | e. to survive |
| 6. more difficult to live | f. them work |
| 7. Many people cannot | g. retiring later |
| 8. They have to work | h. 100,000 |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. There have been | a. extra money |
| 2. in the jobs | b. their own businesses |
| 3. Many people need | c. market |
| 4. They cannot afford | d. dreamed of doing |
| 5. decide if they want to | e. big changes |
| 6. Older people are starting | f. years |
| 7. something they may have | g. to retire |
| 8. for many | h. stay in work |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Many British (1) _____ are working. Around 10% of them work. This is the highest (2) _____. Over 250,000 (3) _____. In 2005, it was just 100,000. People are (4) _____ because pensions are more difficult (5) _____. Many people cannot retire. They have to (6) _____.

There have been (7) _____ in the jobs market. Many people need extra money. They cannot (8) _____. Older people now (9) _____ and pensions to decide if they want to (10) _____. Older people are starting their own businesses. This (11) _____ they may have dreamed of doing (12) _____.

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) _____

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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) _____

