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Level 0

Families get government help with housework

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Two German towns will help workers with the housework. A new project will help people who want to work more. They will get vouchers to get help with the housework. This will support family life and give the government more money. The government will get more money because people will pay more tax.

Women work less than they want to. They do housework and look after the family. If women worked more, they would get a voucher. They could use this to pay for help with the housework. The new system would create jobs. A spokesman said: "With professional help in the home, it is easier to balance work and family life."

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. help people who want | a. life |
| 2. help with the | b. easier |
| 3. This will support family | c. create jobs |
| 4. people will pay more | d. and family life |
| 5. The new system would | e. tax |
| 6. professional help in | f. to work more |
| 7. it is | g. housework |
| 8. balance work | h. the home |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Women work less | a. to pay for help |
| 2. look after | b. and family life |
| 3. If women worked | c. get a voucher |
| 4. they would | d. the family |
| 5. They could use this | e. home |
| 6. The new system would create | f. than they want to |
| 7. professional help in the | g. more |
| 8. it is easier to balance work | h. jobs |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1704/170424-household-help-0.html>

Two German towns (1) _____ workers with the housework. A (2) _____ will help people (3) _____ work more. They will get (4) _____ help with the housework. This will support family (5) _____ the government more money. The government will get more money because people will (6) _____.

Women work less (7) _____ to. They do housework and (8) _____ family. If women worked more, they (9) _____ voucher. They could use (10) _____ for help with the housework. The new system would (11) _____.

A spokesman said: "With professional help in the home, it is easier to balance (12) _____ life."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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HOUSEWORK SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1704/170424-household-help-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about housework 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) _____

