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Level 0

Taylor Swift pulls album from Apple Music*

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

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* Apple has now decided to pay artists during the free trial and Taylor Swift has agreed to include her album on Apple Music.

THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1506/150624-taylor-swift.html>

Taylor Swift has removed her new album from Apple Music.

She doesn't want Apple to give her music away for free. Apple

Music is a streaming service. It has a free, three-month trial.

Swift wants Apple to pay artists for this. She said: "We don't

ask...for free iPhones. Please don't ask us to [give you] our

music for [free]."

Swift wrote: "Apple Music will not be paying...artists for those

three months." She is shocked and disappointed. She said

Apple was an incredible company. She said it was rich,

successful and had the money to pay artists. She added:

"Three months is a long time to go unpaid, and it is unfair to

ask anyone to work for nothing."

Sources: <http://www.bbc.com/news/entertainment-arts-33216778>
<http://techcrunch.com/2015/06/21/free-are-never-getting-back-together/>
<http://www.wsj.com/articles/taylor-swift-withholds-album-from-apple-music-1434916050>

VOCABULARY MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1506/150624-taylor-swift.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. removed her new album | a. to pay artists for this |
| 2. give her | b. ask us to |
| 3. Apple Music is | c. from Apple Music |
| 4. It has a free, | d. for free |
| 5. Swift wants Apple | e. a streaming service |
| 6. We don't ask | f. music away for free |
| 7. Please don't | g. for free iPhones |
| 8. give you our music | h. three-month trial |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Apple Music will not be | a. to pay artists |
| 2. She is shocked | b. to ask anyone |
| 3. Apple was an | c. rich |
| 4. She said it was | d. nothing |
| 5. had the money | e. and disappointed |
| 6. Three months is a long time to | f. paying artists |
| 7. it is unfair | g. go unpaid |
| 8. work for | h. incredible company |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1506/150624-taylor-swift.html>

Taylor Swift (1) _____ new album from Apple Music. She doesn't want Apple (2) _____ music away for free. Apple Music is a (3) _____. It has a free, (4) _____. Swift wants Apple to pay artists for this. She said: "We (5) _____ free iPhones. Please don't ask (6) _____ our music for [free]."

Swift wrote: "Apple Music (7) _____ ...artists for those three months." (8) _____ disappointed. She said Apple (9) _____ company. She said it was rich, successful and had (10) _____ artists. She added: "Three months (11) _____ go unpaid, and (12) _____ anyone to work for nothing."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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TaylorSwift has removed her new album from Apple Music. She doesn't want Apple to give her music away for free. Apple Music is a streaming service. It has a free, three-month trial. Swift wants Apple to pay artists for their music. She said: "We don't ask... for free iPhones. Please don't ask us to [give you] our music for [free]." Swift wrote: "Apple Music will not be paying... artists for those three months." She is shocked and disappointed. She said Apple was an incredible company. She said it was rich, successful and had their money to pay artists. She added: "Three months is a long time to go unpaid, and it is unfair to ask anyone to work for nothing."

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) _____

