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Work over 80 hours a week to change the world

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Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Successful businessman Elon Musk has said that people must work from 80 to 100 hours per week to "change the world". Mr Musk knows. He has his finger in many pies. He is the founder, CEO and lead designer of SpaceX; the co-founder of the car company Tesla; and the co-founder of PayPal. He works very hard on many projects that have changed our lives. He is a workaholic but he loves what he does. He talked about hard work in an interview with a technology news website. He said: "There are easier places to work, but nobody ever changed the world on 40 hours a week."

Workers at Mr Musk's companies also put in very long hours. He said "everyone" at Tesla has worked 100 hours per week at times this year. This was to make sure a Tesla car could survive. He said: "There wasn't some other way to do this." Musk said some Tesla employees were unhappy with their long hours. Some called the hours "excessive". Others said they prefer to work 70 or more hours per week. Musk said the "pain level" increases above 80 hours a week, but he didn't say what the pain was. The average CEO of a multi-billion-dollar company works about 70 hours a week.

Sources: <https://www.businessinsider.com/elon-musk-says-80-hours-per-week-needed-change-the-world-2018-11>
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<https://thetechportal.com/2018/11/04/elon-musk-minute-interview/>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. work from 80 to 100 | a. places to work |
| 2. lead designer | b. hours per week |
| 3. He works very hard on | c. in an interview |
| 4. He is a workaholic but he loves | d. 40 hours a week |
| 5. He talked about hard work | e. many projects |
| 6. a technology news | f. of SpaceX |
| 7. There are easier | g. website |
| 8. changed the world on | h. what he does |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. put in very | a. "excessive" |
| 2. There wasn't some other | b. dollar company |
| 3. Some called the hours | c. above 80 hours |
| 4. Others said they prefer to | d. a week |
| 5. the "pain level" increases | e. long hours |
| 6. he didn't say what | f. work 70 or more |
| 7. CEO of a multi-billion- | g. way to do this |
| 8. about 70 hours | h. the pain was |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Successful businessman Elon Musk (1) _____ people must work from 80 to 100 (2) _____ to "change the world". Mr Musk knows. He has (3) _____ many pies. He is the founder, CEO and lead designer of SpaceX; the co-founder of the car company Tesla; and the co-founder of PayPal. He works (4) _____ many projects that have changed our lives. He is a workaholic but he loves what he does. He talked about hard (5) _____ interview with a technology news website. He said: "There are easier places to work, but nobody ever changed (6) _____ 40 hours a week."

Workers at Mr Musk's companies also put in (7) _____. He said "everyone" at Tesla has worked 100 hours per week at times this year. This was to make sure a Tesla (8) _____. He said: "There wasn't some other way to do this." Musk said some Tesla employees were unhappy with (9) _____. Some called the hours "excessive". Others said they (10) _____ 70 or more hours per week. Musk said (11) _____ increases above 80 hours a week, but he didn't say what the pain was. The average CEO of a multi-billion-dollar company (12) _____ hours a week.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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THE WORKING WEEK SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about The working week 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) _____

WRITING

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Write about **the working week** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
