

Breaking News English.com

Ready-to-Use English Lessons by Sean Banville

"1,000 IDEAS & ACTIVITIES
FOR LANGUAGE TEACHERS"

breakingnewsenglish.com/book.html

Thousands more free lessons
from Sean's other websites

www.freeslmaterials.com/sean_banville_lessons.html

Level 4 – 18th May, 2021

Record breaking 96-year-old DJ retires

FREE online quizzes, mp3 listening and more for this lesson here:

<https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2015/210518-dj-4.html>

Contents

The Reading	2
Phrase Matching	3
Listening Gap Fill	4
No Spaces	5
Survey	6
Writing and Speaking	7
Writing	8

Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

Twitter



twitter.com/SeanBanville

Facebook



www.facebook.com/pages/BreakingNewsEnglish/155625444452176

THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2015/210518-dj-4.html>

A 96-year-old DJ retired 70 years of broadcasting. Ray Cordeiro hosted his final radio show. Cordeiro is a legendary broadcaster and a household name for several generations in Hong Kong. The veteran DJ decided it was time to hang up his boots. He ended his final show with his customary words: "Well, that's it. Thank you very much for tuning in. Goodbye." He told listeners he was the "luckiest man in the world" and had no regrets.

Mr Cordeiro is affectionately called Uncle Ray. He is known for his deep voice. He played easy-listening music and chatted in English and Cantonese. He was awarded the title of the world's most durable DJ. In his role as a celebrated broadcaster, he got to know some of the biggest names in the music industry. COVID-19 affected his decision to retire. He said it was difficult working when he was in the "high-risk demographic".

Sources: <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-asia-china-57129010>
<https://www.scmp.com/comment/opinion/article/3133376/uncle-ray-always-hit-listeners>
<https://www.channelnewsasia.com/news/asia/ray-cordeiro-96-year-old-radio-dj-bids-farewell-in-hong-kong-14815506>

PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2015/210518-dj-4.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. retired 70 years | a. broadcaster |
| 2. Cordeiro hosted his final | b. in the world |
| 3. Cordeiro is a legendary | c. up his boots |
| 4. a household | d. regrets |
| 5. it was time to hang | e. of broadcasting |
| 6. Thank you very much | f. name |
| 7. the luckiest man | g. for tuning in |
| 8. no | h. radio show |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. affectionately | a. to retire |
| 2. He is known | b. durable DJ |
| 3. the world's most | c. risk demographic |
| 4. he got to know some of the biggest | d. for his deep voice |
| 5. in the music | e. names |
| 6. COVID-19 affected his decision | f. difficult |
| 7. He said it was | g. industry |
| 8. in the high- | h. called Uncle Ray |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2015/210518-dj-4.html>

A 96-year-old DJ retired (1) _____ of broadcasting. Ray Cordeiro hosted his (2) _____. Cordeiro is a legendary broadcaster and a household (3) _____ generations in Hong Kong. The veteran DJ decided it was (4) _____ up his boots. He ended his final show with (5) _____: "Well, that's it. Thank you very much for tuning in. Goodbye." He told listeners he was the "luckiest man in the world" and (6) _____.

Mr Cordeiro (7) _____ Uncle Ray. He is known for his deep voice. He played easy-listening (8) _____ in English and Cantonese. He was (9) _____ of the world's most durable DJ. In (10) _____ a celebrated broadcaster, he got to know some of the biggest names in (11) _____. COVID-19 affected his decision to retire. He said it was difficult working when he was in the (12) _____".

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2015/210518-dj-4.html>

A 96-year-old DJ retired 70 years of broadcasting. Ray Cordeiro hosted his final radio show. Cordeiro is a legendary broadcaster and a household name for several generations in Hong Kong. The veteran DJ decided it was time to hang up his boots. He ended his final show with his customary words: "Well, that's it. Thank you very much for tuning in. Goodbye." He told listeners he was the "luckiest man in the world" and had no regrets. Mr Cordeiro is affectionately called Uncle Ray. He is known for his deep voice. He played easy-listening music and chatted in English and Cantonese. He was awarded the title of the world's most durable DJ. In his role as a celebrated broadcaster, he got to know some of the biggest names in the music industry. COVID-19 affected his decision to retire. He said it was difficult working when he was in the "high-risk demographic".

RADIO SHOWS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2015/210518-dj-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about radio shows 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) _____

Record breaking 96-year-old DJ retires – 18th May, 2021
More free lessons at breakingnewsenglish.com

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

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

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

