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Level 1 – 27th July, 2021

Printer ink one of world's most expensive liquids

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Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Champagne and perfume are expensive. However, a consumer group found that printer ink is one of the world's costliest liquids. The consumer group "Which?" said printer ink from technology companies is pricier than a lot of champagne. It can be up to 286% more expensive than ink from companies that do not make printers. The group said that some branded printer ink can cost \$846 a litre. An expert said printer ink shouldn't cost more than perfume.

Non-branded ink can be as good as, if not better than ink from printer makers. The expert said lots of non-branded ink is better and cheaper than branded ink. "Which?" said non-branded ink could save people \$398 a year. It said deciding which ink to use should be "a personal choice". The printer maker Epson said: "As non-genuine inks are not designed or tested by Epson, we cannot guarantee these inks will not damage the printer."

Sources: <https://www.bbc.com/news/technology-57941625>
<https://uk.finance.yahoo.com/news/which-consumer-printer-ink-costs-more-than-high-end-champagne-bottle-chanel-no5-230157556.html>
<https://www.which.co.uk/news/2021/07/the-cheap-ink-that-printer-firms-dont-want-you-to-use/> - Which?

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Champagne and perfume are | a. liquids |
| 2. a consumer | b. not make printers |
| 3. one of the world's costliest | c. cost \$846 |
| 4. ink from technology companies | d. more expensive |
| 5. It can be up to 286% | e. more than perfume |
| 6. companies that do | f. group |
| 7. branded printer ink can | g. expensive |
| 8. ink shouldn't cost | h. is pricier |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| 1. as good as, | a. printer |
| 2. ink could save people | b. choice |
| 3. deciding which ink | c. by Epson |
| 4. should be a personal | d. \$398 a year |
| 5. non-genuine | e. these inks |
| 6. not designed or tested | f. to use |
| 7. we cannot guarantee | g. inks |
| 8. damage the | h. if not better |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Champagne and perfume are expensive. However,

(1) _____ found that printer ink is one of the

(2) _____. The consumer group "Which?" said

printer ink from technology companies (3) _____

a lot of champagne. It can (4) _____ 286% more

expensive than ink from companies that do not make printers.

The group said that some branded printer

(5) _____ \$846 a litre. An expert said printer ink

shouldn't cost (6) _____.

Non-branded ink can be as good (7) _____ better

than ink from printer makers. The expert said lots of non-branded

ink is (8) _____ than branded ink. "Which?" said

non-branded ink (9) _____ \$398 a year. It said

deciding which ink to use should be (10) _____.

The printer maker Epson said: "(11) _____ are

not designed or tested by Epson, we cannot guarantee these inks

will not (12) _____."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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PRINTER INK SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about printer ink 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 **printer ink** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
