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Milan wants to ban takeaway food after midnight

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2404/240425-takeaway-food-ban.html>

The Italian city of Milan wants to introduce a law to ban the sale of takeaway food after midnight. The reason for this is to help local residents sleep. Many people have complained to the local government about the noise on the streets at night. There are often large and noisy groups of late-night revellers in downtown Milan. Local officials have decided to ban all takeaway food and drink in 12 districts of the city. Some of these areas are well known for their "wild" nightlife. The takeaway ban means people would not be able to buy pizza or ice cream after 12:30 a.m. on weekdays and after 1:30 a.m. at weekends and on public holidays. It would come into effect from mid-May and last until November.

Milan's deputy mayor explained why the ban was important. He said: "The goal is to seek a balance between socialising and entertainment, and the peace and tranquillity of residents." However, there are also many people who oppose the ban. A spokesperson for an Italian retail association said the ban on post-midnight food and drink would not stop the noise. He said: "A rule banning people from drinking a bottle of water or eating an ice cream or pizza while taking a stroll...won't solve a thing, as people will still stay outside." He asked: "Do you think a 25-year-old is going to go home at the stroke of midnight simply because they can't get a takeout?" He added: "What about tourists who want to eat ice cream?"

Sources: <https://news.sky.com/story/milan-poised-to-ban-ice-cream-pizza-and-more-after-midnight-after-new-proposed-law-13121064>
<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2024/apr/21/do-they-realise-what-theyre-doing-milan-takes-on-ice-cream-sellers-in-war-on-wild-nightlife>
<https://www.lbc.co.uk/news/milan-bans-pizza-ice-cream-midnight-crackdown-night-time-chaos/>

WARM-UPS

1. TAKEAWAY FOOD: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about takeaway food. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

Milan / law / ban / takeaway food / midnight / noise / the streets at night / ice cream balance / goal / socializing / entertainment / peace / tranquillity / pizza / tourists

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. BAN: Students A **strongly** believe takeaway food should be banned; Students B **strongly** believe otherwise. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. LATE-NIGHT ACTIVITIES: What are the good and bad things about these late-night activities? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Good Things	Bad Things
Eating		
Watching TV		
Dancing		
Star gazing		
Midnight swim		
Drinking		

5. ITALIAN: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "Italian". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. MIDNIGHT SNACKS: Rank these with your partner. Put the best midnight snacks at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Pizza
- Toast
- Peanuts
- Fried chicken
- Muesli
- Bananas
- Brownie
- Curry

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|---------------------|--|
| 1. introduce | a. People who are having a good time at a party or celebration. |
| 2. sale | b. Bring something into use or operation for the first time. |
| 3. residents | c. People who live in a place. |
| 4. revellers | d. The fun things people do in the evening or at night, like going to parties or concerts. |
| 5. downtown | e. When something starts to be used or followed. |
| 6. nightlife | f. The exchange of things for money. |
| 7. come into effect | g. The central part of a city where there are many buildings and shops. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|------------------|--|
| 8. mayor | h. Buying and selling things in stores. |
| 9. seek | i. To find the answer to a problem and fix it. |
| 10. tranquillity | j. To walk in a relaxed way, often without a particular destination. |
| 11. retail | k. When everything is calm, peaceful and quiet. |
| 12. association | l. A group of people who work or do things together because they have similar interests. |
| 13. stroll | m. The leader of a city or town. |
| 14. solve | n. To look for something. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2404/240425-takeaway-food-ban.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

1. Nobody can buy takeaway food in the Italian city of Milan. **T / F**
2. The article says there are many noisy groups of people in uptown Milan. **T / F**
3. The takeaway ban starts later at the weekends. **T / F**
4. The takeaway ban is for about six months of the year. **T / F**
5. The ban should be a balance between people having fun and sleeping. **T / F**
6. A retail spokesperson said the ban would definitely stop the noise. **T / F**
7. The spokesman said all 25-year-olds will go home after midnight. **T / F**
8. The spokesman said tourists might want to eat ice cream. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- | | |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1. introduce | a. be against |
| 2. residents | b. start |
| 3. officials | c. essential |
| 4. districts | d. just |
| 5. last | e. representatives |
| 6. important | f. continue |
| 7. seek | g. walk |
| 8. oppose | h. locals |
| 9. stroll | i. look for |
| 10. simply | j. areas |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. people have complained | a. districts of the city |
| 2. large and noisy groups of | b. to eat ice cream |
| 3. drink in 12 | c. residents |
| 4. at weekends and | d. late-night revellers |
| 5. It would come into effect | e. thing |
| 6. The goal is to seek a | f. on public holidays |
| 7. the peace and tranquillity of | g. of midnight |
| 8. taking a stroll won't solve a | h. from mid-May |
| 9. go home at the stroke | i. to the local government |
| 10. tourists who want | j. balance |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2404/240425-takeaway-food-ban.html>

The Italian city of Milan wants to (1) _____ a law to ban the sale of takeaway food after midnight. The (2) _____ for this is to help local (3) _____ sleep. Many people have complained to the local government about the noise on the streets at night. There are often large and (4) _____ groups of late-night revellers in downtown Milan. Local officials have decided to ban all takeaway food and drink in 12 (5) _____ of the city. Some of these areas are well known for their "(6) _____" nightlife. The takeaway ban means people would not be (7) _____ to buy pizza or ice cream after 12:30 a.m. on weekdays and after 1:30 a.m. at weekends and on public holidays. It would come into effect from mid-May and last (8) _____ November.

able
until
reason
noisy
wild
introduce
districts
residents

Milan's deputy mayor explained why the ban was (9) _____. He said: "The goal is to seek a balance between socialising and entertainment, and the (10) _____ and tranquillity of residents." However, there are also many people who (11) _____ the ban. A spokesperson for an Italian retail association said the (12) _____ on post-midnight food and drink would not stop the noise. He said: "A rule banning people from (13) _____ a bottle of water or eating an ice cream or pizza while taking a stroll...won't (14) _____ a thing, as people will still stay outside." He asked: "Do you think a 25-year-old is going to go home at the (15) _____ of midnight simply because they can't get a takeout?" He added: "What about (16) _____ who want to eat ice cream?"

oppose
drinking
tourists
important
stroke
ban
peace
solve

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2404/240425-takeaway-food-ban.html>

- 1) The reason for this is to help _____
 - a. local residence sleep
 - b. local presidents sleep
 - c. local residues sleep
 - d. local residents sleep
- 2) people have complained to the local government about the noise on the _____
 - a. streets sat night
 - b. streets at night
 - c. streets at nightly
 - d. street sat night
- 3) Local officials have decided to ban all takeaway food and drink _____
 - a. in 12 distinct
 - b. in 12 detracts
 - c. in 12 districts
 - d. in 12 destructs
- 4) after 12:30 a.m. on weekdays and after 1:30 a.m. at weekends and _____
 - a. in publicly holidays
 - b. on private holidays
 - c. in public holidays
 - d. on public holidays
- 5) It would come into effect from mid-May and _____
 - a. last until November
 - b. until last November
 - c. lots until November
 - d. lasting until November
- 6) Milan's deputy mayor explained why the _____
 - a. ban was important
 - b. ban was importance
 - c. ban was importantly
 - d. ban was import tent
- 7) seek a balance between socialising and entertainment, and the peace and _____
 - a. tranquillity off residents
 - b. tranquillity of residents
 - c. tranquillity oft residents
 - d. tranquillity over residents
- 8) Italian retail association said the ban on post-midnight food and drink would not _____
 - a. atop the noise
 - b. stop the noise
 - c. strop the noise
 - d. slop the noise
- 9) eating an ice cream or pizza while taking a stroll...won't _____
 - a. solve a things
 - b. absolve a thing
 - c. sieve a thing
 - d. solve a thing
- 10) a 25-year-old is going to go home at the _____
 - a. strobe of midnight
 - b. stride of midnight
 - c. spoke of midnight
 - d. stroke of midnight

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2404/240425-takeaway-food-ban.html>

The Italian city of Milan wants (1) _____ law to ban the sale of takeaway food after midnight. The reason (2) _____ to help local residents sleep. Many people have complained to the local government about the noise on the (3) _____. There are often large and noisy groups of late-night revellers in downtown Milan. Local officials (4) _____ ban all takeaway food and drink in 12 districts of the city. Some of these areas are well known for (5) _____. The takeaway ban means people would not be able to buy pizza or ice cream after 12:30 a.m. on weekdays and after 1:30 a.m. at weekends and on public holidays. It would (6) _____ from mid-May and last until November.

Milan's deputy mayor (7) _____ ban was important. He said: "The goal is to seek a balance between socialising and entertainment, and the (8) _____ of residents." However, there are also many people (9) _____ ban. A spokesperson for an Italian retail association said the ban on post-midnight food and drink would not stop the noise. He said: "A rule banning people from drinking a (10) _____ or eating an ice cream or pizza while taking a stroll...won't (11) _____, as people will still stay outside." He asked: "Do you think a 25-year-old is going to go home at the (12) _____ simply because they can't get a takeout?" He added: "What about tourists who want to eat ice cream?"

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2404/240425-takeaway-food-ban.html>

1. Who in Milan wants to sleep?
2. Where in Milan are there late-night revellers?
3. What kind of nightlife are some areas of Milan known for?
4. From when does the ban start on Saturdays?
5. When will the ban start?
6. Who explained the importance of the ban?
7. What goal does the ban seek to achieve?
8. What did a retail association spokesperson say the ban would solve?
9. When did the spokesperson say a 25-year-old would not go home?
10. Who did the spokesperson say might want to eat ice cream?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2404/240425-takeaway-food-ban.html>

- 1) Who in Milan wants to sleep?
 - a) everyone
 - b) local residents
 - c) takeaway restaurant owners
 - d) revellers
- 2) Where in Milan are there late-night revellers?
 - a) in the suburbs
 - b) on the outskirts
 - c) uptown
 - d) downtown
- 3) What kind of nightlife are some areas of Milan known for?
 - a) wild nightlife
 - b) cool nightlife
 - c) quiet nightlife
 - d) boring nightlife
- 4) From when does the ban start on Saturdays?
 - a) 11:30 p.m.
 - b) 12:30 a.m.
 - c) 1:30 a.m.
 - d) 2:30 a.m.
- 5) When will the ban start?
 - a) the end of May
 - b) mid-May
 - c) the beginning of May
 - d) May the 11th
- 6) Who explained the importance of the ban?
 - a) Milan's deputy mayor
 - b) a late-night reveller
 - c) an ice cream seller
 - d) a pizza chef
- 7) What goal does the ban seek to achieve?
 - a) healthier people
 - b) no takeaways at all
 - c) a balance
 - d) totally quiet streets
- 8) What did a retail association spokesperson say the ban would solve?
 - a) not a single thing
 - b) noise pollution
 - c) everything
 - d) maths problems
- 9) When did the spokesperson say a 25-year-old would not go home?
 - a) at the stroke of midnight
 - b) at the weekends
 - c) Monday mornings
 - d) in the afternoon
- 10) Who did the spokesperson say might want to eat ice cream?
 - a) late-night revellers
 - b) children
 - c) pizza chefs
 - d) tourists

ROLE PLAY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2404/240425-takeaway-food-ban.html>

Role A – Pizza

You think pizza is the best midnight snack. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their snacks. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): fried chicken, a banana or curry.

Role B – Fried Chicken

You think fried chicken is the best midnight snack. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their snacks. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): pizza, a banana or curry.

Role C – A Banana

You think a banana is the best midnight snack. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their snacks. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): fried chicken, pizza or curry.

Role D – Curry

You think curry is the best midnight snack. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their snacks. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): fried chicken, a banana or pizza.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2404/240425-takeaway-food-ban.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'ban' and 'takeaway'.

ban	takeaway
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• introduce• complained• large• areas• weekdays• effect	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• important• peace• oppose• stop• home• simply
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TAKEAWAY FOOD SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2404/240425-takeaway-food-ban.html>

Write five GOOD questions about takeaway food 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.

TAKEAWAY FOOD DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'Italy'?
3. What do you think of takeaway food?
4. What do you think of the takeaway ban?
5. What do you think of eating after midnight?
6. Are there any food laws in your town?
7. How noisy is it where you live?
8. What do you think of late-night revellers?
9. What kind of nightlife do you like?
10. Should there be a ban on alcohol at certain times?

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TAKEAWAY FOOD DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'takeaway food'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. Should there be a balance between entertainment and tranquillity?
15. Do you think the ban would stop the noise?
16. How might the ban damage businesses in Milan?
17. Do you think young people will go home at midnight?
18. How unfair might the ban be to tourists in Milan?
19. What takeaway food do you like most?
20. What questions would you like to ask Milan's restaurant owners?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2404/240425-takeaway-food-ban.html>

The Italian city of Milan wants to introduce a law to ban the (1) _____ of takeaway food after midnight. The reason for this is to help local residents sleep. Many people have complained to the local government about the noise on the streets (2) _____ night. There are often large and (3) _____ groups of late-night revellers in downtown Milan. Local officials have decided to ban (4) _____ takeaway food and drink in 12 districts of the city. Some of these areas are well known for their "wild" nightlife. The takeaway ban means people would not be (5) _____ to buy pizza or ice cream after 12:30 a.m. on weekdays and after 1:30 a.m. at weekends and on public holidays. It would come into (6) _____ from mid-May and last until November.

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|--------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) sell | (b) sale | (c) sail | (d) sells |
| 2. | (a) of | (b) at | (c) to | (d) on |
| 3. | (a) nosy | (b) noisy | (c) noise | (d) noiseless |
| 4. | (a) whole | (b) all | (c) entire | (d) each |
| 5. | (a) abled | (b) ability | (c) capable | (d) able |
| 6. | (a) infect | (b) reflect | (c) effect | (d) confect |
| 7. | (a) why | (b) which | (c) whomsoever | (d) what |
| 8. | (a) thus | (b) among | (c) between | (d) middle |
| 9. | (a) opposer | (b) opposing | (c) opposite | (d) oppose |
| 10. | (a) stroll | (b) troll | (c) trolley | (d) droll |
| 11. | (a) stroke | (b) rub | (c) caress | (d) hold |
| 12. | (a) tourists | (b) touristy | (c) tours | (d) tourism |

SPELLING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2404/240425-takeaway-food-ban.html>

Paragraph 1

1. itcondure a law
2. help local reitensds sleep
3. Many people have ipoealdmcn
4. the local vrmentogne
5. Local sfaioiclf
6. known for their "wild" fhietlgn

Paragraph 2

7. Milan's deputy mayor dpixnlaee why
8. The goal is to seek a aalebnc
9. peace and lilryuantitq
10. an Italian retail snoscaiatio
11. go home at the krtsoe of midnight
12. otruisst who want to eat ice cream

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2404/240425-takeaway-food-ban.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () they can't get a takeout?" He added: "What about tourists who want to eat ice cream?"
- () people who oppose the ban. A spokesperson for an Italian retail association said the ban on post-midnight food
- () able to buy pizza or ice cream after 12:30 a.m. on weekdays and after 1:30 a.m. at weekends
- () of water or eating an ice cream or pizza while taking a stroll...won't solve a thing, as people will still stay
- () outside." He asked: "Do you think a 25-year-old is going to go home at the stroke of midnight simply because
- (**1**) The Italian city of Milan wants to introduce a law to ban the sale of takeaway food after midnight. The reason
- () and drink would not stop the noise. He said: "A rule banning people from drinking a bottle
- () on the streets at night. There are often large and noisy groups of late-night revellers in downtown Milan. Local
- () areas are well known for their "wild" nightlife. The takeaway ban means people would not be
- () for this is to help local residents sleep. Many people have complained to the local government about the noise
- () officials have decided to ban all takeaway food and drink in 12 districts of the city. Some of these
- () Milan's deputy mayor explained why the ban was important. He said: "The goal is to seek a
- () and on public holidays. It would come into effect from mid-May and last until November.
- () balance between socialising and entertainment, and the peace and tranquillity of residents." However, there are also many

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. wants Italian to The a law . introduce city
2. reason The this for residents . to is help
3. people the local have complained government . to Many
4. of areas known . are Some well these
5. would into It mid-May . from effect come
6. to goal a The seek is balance .
7. oppose who many the There are ban . people
8. an spokesperson retail A for association . Italian
9. while stroll . Eating ice taking cream an a
10. stroke midnight . Go at home of the

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2404/240425-takeaway-food-ban.html>

The Italian city *off / of* Milan wants to introduce a law to ban the *sells / sale* of takeaway food after midnight. The *reasons / reason* for this is to help local residents sleep. Many people have complained *to / on* the local government about the noise on the streets *in / at* night. There are often large and noisy groups of late-night revellers in downtown Milan. Local officials have decided to ban *whole / all* takeaway food and drink in 12 districts of the city. Some of *them / these* areas are well known for their "wild" nightlife. The takeaway ban means people would not be *able / ability* to buy pizza or ice cream after 12:30 a.m. on weekdays and after 1:30 a.m. at weekends and *on / in* public holidays. It would come into *affect / effect* from mid-May and last until November.

Milan's deputy mayor explained *what / why* the ban was important. He said: "The goal is to *seek / peek* a balance between socialising and entertainment, and the *peace / piece* and tranquillity of residents." However, there are *additional / also* many people who *oppose / opposite* the ban. A spokesperson for an Italian retail association said the ban on post-midnight food and drink would not stop the *noisy / noise*. He said: "A rule banning people from drinking a bottle of water or eating an ice cream or pizza while taking a *troll / stroll*...won't solve a thing, *was / as* people will still stay outside." He asked: "Do you think a 25-year-old is going to go home at the stroke of midnight simply *because / however* they can't get a takeout?" He added: "What about *tourism / tourists* who want to eat ice cream?"

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct. Look up the definition of new words.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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Th_ _t_l__n c_ty _f M_l_n w_nts t_ _ntr_duc_ _ l_w
t_ b_n th_ s_l_ _f t_k__w_y f__d _ft_r m_dn_ght. Th_
r__s_n f_r th_s _s t_ h_lp l_c_l r_s_d_nts sl__p. M_ny
p__pl_ h_v_ c_mpl__n_d t_ th_ l_c_l g_v_rnm_nt _b_ut
th_ n__s_ _n th_ str__ts _t n_ght. Th_r_ _r_ _ft_n
l_rg_ _nd n__sy gr_ups _f l_t_-n_ght r_v_ll_rs _n
d_wnt_wn M_l_n. L_c_l _ff_c__ls h_v_ d_c_d_d t_ b_n
_ll t_k__w_y f__d _nd drnk _n 12 d_str_cts _f th_
c_ty. S_m_ _f th_s_ r__s_ _r_ w_ll kn_wn f_r th__r
"w_ld" n_ghtl_f_. Th_ t_k__w_y b_n m__ns p__pl_
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H_ _dd_d: "Wh_t _b_ut t_ur_sts wh_ w_nt t_ __t _c_
cr__m?"

PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2404/240425-takeaway-food-ban.html>

the italian city of milan wants to introduce a law to ban the sale of takeaway food after midnight the reason for this is to help local residents sleep many people have complained to the local government about the noise on the streets at night there are often large and noisy groups of latenight revellers in downtown milan local officials have decided to ban all takeaway food and drink in 12 districts of the city some of these areas are well known for their wild nightlife the takeaway ban means people would not be able to buy pizza or ice cream after 1230 am on weekdays and after 130 am at weekends and on public holidays it would come into effect from midmay and last until november

milans deputy mayor explained why the ban was important he said the goal is to seek a balance between socialising and entertainment and the peace and tranquillity of residents however there are also many people who oppose the ban a spokesperson for an italian retail association said the ban on postmidnight food and drink would not stop the noise he said a rule banning people from drinking a bottle of water or eating an ice cream or pizza while taking a stroll wont solve a thing as people will still stay outside he asked do you think a 25yearold is going to go home at the stroke of midnight simply because they cant get a takeout he added what about tourists who want to eat ice cream

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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The Italian city of Milan wants to introduce a law to ban the sale of takeaway food after midnight. The reason for this is to help local residents sleep. Many people have complained to the local government about the noise on the streets at night. There are often large and noisy groups of late-night revellers in downtown Milan. Local officials have decided to ban all takeaway food and drink in 12 districts of the city. Some of these areas are well known for their "wild" nightlife. The takeaway ban means people would not be able to buy pizza or ice cream after 12:30 a.m. on weekdays and after 1:30 a.m. at weekends and on public holidays. It would come into effect from mid-May and last until November. Milan's deputy mayor explained why the ban was important. He said: "The goal is to seek a balance between socialising and entertainment, and the peace and tranquillity of residents." However, there are also many people who oppose the ban. A spokesperson for an Italian retail association said the ban on post-midnight food and drink would not stop the noise. He said: "A rule banning people from drinking a bottle of water or eating an ice cream or pizza while taking a stroll... won't solve anything, as people will still stay outside." He asked: "Do you think a 25-year-old is going to go home at the stroke of midnight simply because they can't get a takeout?" He added: "What about tourists who want to eat ice cream?"

HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. TAKEAWAY FOOD: Make a poster about takeaway food. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. BAN: Write a magazine article about banning takeaway food. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on takeaway food. Ask him/her three questions about takeaway food. Give him/her three of your ideas. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. b 2. f 3. c 4. a 5. g 6. d 7. e
8. m 9. n 10. k 11. h 12. l 13. j 14. i

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- 1 F 2 F 3 T 4 T 5 T 6 F 7 F 8 T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. b	2. h	3. e	4. j	5. f
6. c	7. i	8. a	9. g	10. d

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

- Local residents
- Downtown
- Wild nightlife
- 1:30 a.m.
- Mid-May
- Milan's deputy mayor
- A balance
- Not a single thing (nothing)
- At the stroke of midnight
- Tourists

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.19)

- The Italian city wants to introduce a law.
- The reason for this is to help residents.
- Many people have complained to the local government.
- Some of these areas are well known.
- It would come into effect from mid-May.
- The goal is to seek a balance.
- There are many people who oppose the ban.
- A spokesperson for an Italian retail association.
- Eating an ice cream while taking a stroll.
- Go home at the stroke of midnight.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. b 2. d 3. a 4. c 5. b 6. a 7. c 8. a 9. a 10. d

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)