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Level 1 – 5th September 2024

Nissan develops paint to keep cars cooler

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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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Nissan has made a new paint. It keeps cars that are parked in sunlight cooler. A car can be 12°C cooler. The paint means using air conditioning less. This helps a car's battery. The paint was made with a Chinese company called Radi-Cool. Nissan said: "The project is part of [our] pursuit of...innovations that empower journeys, and help create a cleaner, more sustainable society." The paint is only available in white. Other colours may come in the future.

The "cool paint" project team work at Nissan's Research Center near Tokyo. It started testing the paint in 2021. It is six times thicker than standard paint. This means cars will be more expensive. The team leader said: "My dream is to create cooler cars without consuming energy." This is important because electric cars need battery power for air conditioners. Soon, ambulances that spend most of the day out driving will use the cool paint.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Nissan has made | a. in white |
| 2. cars that are parked | b. be 12°C cooler |
| 3. A car can | c. less |
| 4. using air conditioning | d. society |
| 5. This helps | e. in the future |
| 6. create a cleaner, more sustainable | f. a new paint |
| 7. The paint is only available | g. a car's battery |
| 8. Other colours may come | h. in sunlight |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. The "cool paint" project | a. energy |
| 2. It started testing | b. standard paint |
| 3. six times thicker than | c. create cooler cars |
| 4. This means cars will be | d. the day out driving |
| 5. My dream is to | e. team |
| 6. consuming | f. battery power |
| 7. electric cars need | g. the paint in 2021 |
| 8. ambulances that spend most of | h. more expensive |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Nissan has made a new paint. It keeps cars that are (1) _____ cooler. A car can be 12°C cooler. The paint (2) _____ conditioning less. This helps a car's battery. The paint was made with a Chinese company called Radi-Cool. Nissan said: "The (3) _____ of [our] pursuit of...innovations (4) _____, and help create a cleaner, more sustainable society." The paint is only (5) _____. Other colours may come (6) _____.

The "cool paint" (7) _____ at Nissan's Research Center near Tokyo. It (8) _____ paint in 2021. It is six times thicker (9) _____. This means cars will be more expensive. The team leader said: "My dream is to (10) _____ without consuming energy." This is important because electric cars need (11) _____ air conditioners. Soon, ambulances that spend most of the day out (12) _____ the cool paint.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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CAR PAINT SURVEY

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