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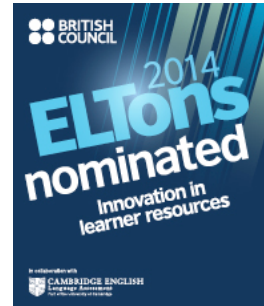
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Level 1

People want drivers to park cars on roads

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THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1404/140401-parking-1.html>

People are angry about cars parked on pavements. They cannot walk safely on the street. They have to walk into the road to get around cars. A charity for the blind said this was "inconsiderate and dangerous". It is difficult for blind people if cars block their way. The charity said it is scary for people to step into the road. It said: "Imagine you have to step into a road where you can't see oncoming traffic."

A survey found that 70% of people want to ban parking on pavements. One town fines people who park on the pavement. Many people say the fines do not work. Car owners don't care about the \$115 fine and park where they want. People with baby cars and people in wheelchairs are afraid to walk on busy roads. There might be a serious accident because of a car parked on the pavement. London has strict rules against pavement parking.

Sources: <http://www.courier.co.uk/cars-pavement/story-20877627-detail/story.html>
<http://www.bbc.com/news/uk-26806722>

VOCABULARY MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1404/140401-parking-1.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. cars parked | a. for blind people |
| 2. They cannot walk safely on | b. on pavements |
| 3. A charity | c. you can't see |
| 4. inconsiderate | d. the street |
| 5. It is difficult | e. traffic |
| 6. it is scary for people to | f. and dangerous |
| 7. step into a road where | g. for the blind |
| 8. oncoming | h. step into the road |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. 70% | a. about the \$115 fine |
| 2. ban | b. people |
| 3. One town fines | c. of people |
| 4. Many people say the fines | d. wheelchairs |
| 5. Car owners don't care | e. rules |
| 6. park where | f. parking on pavements |
| 7. people in | g. do not work |
| 8. strict | h. they want |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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People (1) _____ cars parked on pavements. They cannot (2) _____ the street. They have to walk into the road (3) _____ cars. A charity for the blind said this was "inconsiderate and dangerous". It is difficult for blind people (4) _____ way. The charity said it is scary for people to (5) _____. It said: "Imagine you have to step (6) _____ you can't see oncoming traffic."

A survey (7) _____ of people want to ban parking on pavements. One (8) _____ who park on the pavement. Many people say (9) _____ work. Car owners don't care about the \$115 fine and park where they want. People with baby cars and (10) _____ are afraid to walk on busy roads. There might be a serious accident because (11) _____ on the pavement. London (12) _____ against pavement parking.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

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

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)

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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)

g)

h)

WRITING

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Write about **parking** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner's paper.
