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India to be a cashless society, says Prime Minister

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THE READING

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India's leader Narendra Modi has spoken of his plan to make India a cashless society. He recently banned the old 500 and 1,000 rupee banknotes. They can no longer be used in India. Mr Modi said the move was to stop banknotes being used to fund terrorism, and to stop fake money. The ban means 80 per cent of India's currency has been withdrawn from use. A lot of business has come to a standstill. It is very unpopular among most Indians.

Mr Modi went a step further on Sunday and called for a cashless society. He told small merchants it was their chance to enter the digital world. He said: "Learn how to run your business without cash." He asked people to learn how to use bank accounts, apps, and Internet banking. Mr Modi said: "A cashless economy is secure. It is clean." He added: "All the youth of India can do it very quickly, and within a month, the world can see a modern India."

Sources: <http://gizmodo.com/indias-prime-minister-plans-for-cashless-society-1789403344>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Modi has | a. money |
| 2. 500 and 1,000 | b. longer be used |
| 3. They can no | c. spoken of his plan |
| 4. stop banknotes being used | d. most Indians |
| 5. fake | e. rupee banknotes |
| 6. currency has been withdrawn | f. to a standstill |
| 7. business has come | g. to fund terrorism |
| 8. unpopular among | h. from use |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Mr Modi went a step | a. is secure |
| 2. their chance to enter | b. accounts |
| 3. Learn how to run your business | c. very quickly |
| 4. bank | d. without cash |
| 5. Internet | e. modern India |
| 6. A cashless economy | f. further on Sunday |
| 7. the youth of India can do it | g. banking |
| 8. the world can see a | h. the digital world |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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India's leader Narendra Modi (1) _____ his plan to make India a cashless society. He (2) _____ the old 500 and 1,000 rupee banknotes. They can (3) _____ used in India.

Mr Modi said the (4) _____ stop banknotes being used to fund terrorism, (5) _____ money. The ban means 80 per cent of India's currency has (6) _____ from use. A lot of business has come to a standstill. It is very unpopular among most Indians.

Mr Modi went (7) _____ on Sunday and called for a cashless society. He told small merchants it was their (8) _____

the digital world. He said: "Learn (9) _____ business without cash." He asked people to learn how to use

(10) _____, and Internet banking. Mr Modi said: "A cashless economy is secure. It is clean." He added:

"(11) _____ India can do it very quickly, and within a month, the world (12) _____ India."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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A CASHLESS SOCIETY SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about a cashless society 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 **a cashless society** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
