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Level 1 – 20th April 2023

South Korea pays lonely people to leave the house

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

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230420-reclusiveness-1.html>

Many people stay at home. They do not want to go out and shut themselves off from the world. They do not want to meet other people. They are recluses. South Korea will help these people to "re-enter society". It will give them \$500 a month to leave their home. The cash is for people aged nine to 24. Korea said it wants young people to go out. It will support people's mental and physical health.

About 3 per cent of young Koreans are reclusive. They have big problems living a normal life. There are many reasons for this. These include bullying, family problems, technology and social media. Korea said the \$500-a-month payment will help people. The money means the young people could have fewer mental and health problems. Korean people are getting older. Korea needs young people to work to help old people.

Sources: <https://edition.cnn.com/2023/04/14/asia/south-korea-youth-recluse-stipend-intl-hnk/index.html>
<https://news.yahoo.com/korea-pay-reclusive-lonely-young-190420633.html>
<https://time.com/6270853/south-korea-reclusive-children-cash-handout/>

PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230420-reclusiveness-1.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Many people stay | a. recluses |
| 2. They do not want | b. the world |
| 3. shut themselves off from | c. meet other people |
| 4. They do not want to | d. is for people |
| 5. They are | e. physical health |
| 6. help these people to re-enter | f. at home |
| 7. The cash | g. society |
| 8. people's mental and | h. to go out |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. 3 per cent of young Koreans | a. media |
| 2. They have big | b. life |
| 3. living a normal | c. are reclusive |
| 4. There are many | d. getting older |
| 5. technology and social | e. problems |
| 6. the \$500-a-month | f. and health problems |
| 7. have fewer mental | g. payment |
| 8. Korean people are | h. reasons for this |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230420-reclusiveness-1.html>

Many people (1) _____. They do not want to go out (2) _____ off from the world. They do not want to meet other people. (3) _____. South Korea will help these people to "re-enter society". It will give them \$500 a (4) _____ their home. The cash is for people (5) _____ 24. Korea said it wants young people to go out. It will support people's (6) _____ health.

About 3 per cent of (1) _____ reclusive. They have big problems living (2) _____. There are many (3) _____. These include bullying, family problems, technology and social media. Korea said the \$500-a-month (4) _____ people. The money means the young people (5) _____ mental and health problems. Korean people are getting older. Korea needs young people to (6) _____ old people.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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LONELINESS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230420-reclusiveness-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about loneliness 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) _____

