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Amazon starts selling cashier-less technology

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THE READING

Amazon will sell cashier-less technology to stores. It is called "Just Walk Out". It means stores do not need cashiers. Shoppers put shopping in their bag and then... just walk out. The software knows how much shopping a customer has and charges the customer's payment card. Amazon has used the software for two years.

The software will cut the number of cashiers in stores. There will be fewer jobs. Cameras will check what customers have in their bag. The customer then gets a bill and receipt. Amazon will make big money from this. Stores want to end complaints about slow checkouts. Amazon said staff can focus on more valuable activities.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

1. Amazon will sell cashier-less	a. card
2. It is called	b. how much
3. stores do not	c. for two years
4. Shoppers put shopping	d. "Just Walk Out"
5. The software knows	e. customer has
6. how much shopping a	f. need cashiers
7. charges the customer's payment	g. in their bag
8. Amazon has used the software	h. technology

PARAGRAPH TWO:

1. cut the number of cashiers	a. focus
2. check what customers have	b. money
3. The customer then gets	c. checkouts
4. make big	d. activities
5. Stores want to	e. in their bag
6. slow	f. a bill
7. Amazon said staff can	g. end complaints
8. more valuable	h. in stores

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

Amazon will sell cashier-less technology to stores. (1) _____ "Just Walk Out". It means (2) _____ need cashiers. Shoppers (3) _____ their bag and then... (4) _____. The software knows how much shopping a customer (5) _____ the customer's payment card. Amazon has used the software (6) _____.

The software will (7) _____ of cashiers in stores. There will (8) _____. Cameras will check what customers have (9) _____. The customer then gets a (10) _____. Amazon will make big money from this. Stores want (11) _____ about slow checkouts. Amazon said staff (12) _____ more valuable activities.

PUT A SLASH (/)WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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CASHIERS SURVEY

Write five GOOD questions about cashiers 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

Write about **cashiers** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.

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