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## Google Maps now lets you find fresh air

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# THE ARTICLE

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<https://9to5google.com/2022/06/08/google-maps-air-quality/>  
<https://www.popsci.com/technology/google-maps-air-quality/>

# WARM-UPS

**1. MAPS:** Students walk around the class and talk to other students about maps. Change partners often and share your findings.

**2. CHAT:** In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

Google Maps / wealth / features / routes / directions / traffic / camping / smoggy / layer / satellite / air quality / collaborate / partners / weather / tools / wildfires

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

**3. ONLINE MAPS:** Students A **strongly** believe online maps are better than paper maps; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

**4. GOOGLE MAPS:** What do you know about these Google Maps features? How useful are they? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	What I Know	Usefulness
Satellite view		
Street view		
Directions		
Location		
Restaurant reviews		
Traffic information		

**5. WEALTH:** Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "wealth". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

**6. GOOGLE PRODUCTS:** Rank these with your partner. Put the best at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Search
- Maps
- Mail
- Android
- Chrome
- Cloud
- YouTube
- Play

# VOCABULARY MATCHING

## Paragraph 1

- |             |  |
|-------------|--|
| 1. boast    | a. Advice or information to help people or make them aware of something. |
| 2. wealth   | b. Of a person, place, or thing that has many good features.             |
| 3. traffic  | c. Showed to the public for the first time.                              |
| 4. footfall | d. A lot of something useful.  |
| 5. unveiled | e. The number of people entering a shop or area at a given time.         |
| 6. smoggy   | f. Vehicles moving on the roads.   |
| 7. guidance | g. Smokey and foggy.   |

## Paragraph 2

- |                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| 8. tap            | h. Write or enter something using a keyboard or keypad.                |
| 9. collaborate    | i. The situation at a particular time during a process or brush.       |
| 10. authoritative | j. Work jointly on an activity or project.                             |
| 11. informed      | k. A large, destructive fire that spreads quickly over forests.        |
| 12. impact        | l. Able to be trusted as being accurate or true; reliable.             |
| 13. wildfire      | m. Having or showing knowledge of a subject or situation.              |
| 14. status        | n. The action of one object coming forcibly into contact with another. |

# BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2206/220613-google-maps.html>

**1. TRUE / FALSE:** Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

1. The article says Google Maps makes people wealthy. **T / F**
2. Google Maps contains restaurant reviews. **T / F**
3. The new Air Quality Index (AQI) will tell us if it is smoggy outside. **T / F**
4. The AQI will give us information on outdoor activities. **T / F**
5. The AQI has its own icon on smartphones. **T / F**
6. Google developed the AQI without any help from third parties. **T / F**
7. Google hopes the AQI will help people to enjoy summer. **T / F**
8. The AQI app also has information about bushfires. **T / F**

**2. SYNONYM MATCH:** (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- |                         |                  |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| 1. <b>boasts</b>        | a. work together |
| 2. <b>reviews</b>       | b. beneficial    |
| 3. <b>helpful</b>       | c. advice        |
| 4. <b>hike</b>          | d. picking       |
| 5. <b>guidance</b>      | e. inform        |
| 6. <b>tap</b>           | f. possesses     |
| 7. <b>selecting</b>     | g. reliable      |
| 8. <b>collaborate</b>   | h. critiques     |
| 9. <b>authoritative</b> | i. touch         |
| 10. <b>advise</b>       | j. trek          |

**3. PHRASE MATCH:** (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- |  |                          |
|--|--------------------------|
| 1. Google Maps already boasts a wealth | a. on the "Layers" icon  |
| 2. restaurant reviews and a whole      | b. closely with partners |
| 3. Google has just unveiled            | c. outdoor activities    |
| 4. whether it's unusually              | d. status of fires       |
| 5. guidance for                        | e. its latest tool       |
| 6. users tap                           | f. of useful features    |
| 7. the satellite or street view        | g. information           |
| 8. We collaborate                      | h. modes                 |
| 9. helpful and authoritative           | i. lot more              |
| 10. advise people on the               | j. smoggy                |

# GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2206/220613-google-maps.html>

Google Maps already boasts a (1) \_\_\_\_\_ of useful features for users. Besides showing people where they are, it plans routes, provides real-time (2) \_\_\_\_\_ directions, street views, traffic and (3) \_\_\_\_\_ information, restaurant reviews and a (4) \_\_\_\_\_ lot more. Google has just unveiled its latest tool. Users can now click on its Air Quality Index (AQI) before (5) \_\_\_\_\_ out for a bike ride, picnic, camping trip or hike. Google's products blog (6) \_\_\_\_\_: "When you're visiting a new place or planning outdoor activities, it can be helpful to know the air quality conditions - like whether it's unusually (7) \_\_\_\_\_. It added that its new AQI is, "a measure of how healthy (or unhealthy) the air is, along with (8) \_\_\_\_\_ for outdoor activities."

*footfall*  
*heading*  
*wealth*  
*guidance*  
*whole*  
*smoggy*  
*spoken*  
*stated*

The new feature is a "layer" on Google Maps. To view it, users (9) \_\_\_\_\_ on the "Layers" icon in the (10) \_\_\_\_\_ right corner of the screen. This is the same button for selecting the satellite or street view (11) \_\_\_\_\_. Users will see the new option to see air quality information on their map. Google said: "We (12) \_\_\_\_\_ closely with partners in the weather and air quality space to surface helpful and (13) \_\_\_\_\_ information when you need it most....We hope these tools help you feel safe and (14) \_\_\_\_\_ so you can enjoy the summer." The AQI will also provide updated information on the health (15) \_\_\_\_\_ of the air quality. In addition, there is a "wildfires near me" feature to alert, update and advise people on the (16) \_\_\_\_\_ of fires.

*top*  
*status*  
*collaborate*  
*informed*  
*tap*  
*impact*  
*modes*  
*authoritative*

# LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2206/220613-google-maps.html>

- 1) Google Maps already boasts a wealth of useful \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. features four abusers
  - b. features for uses
  - c. features four users
  - d. features for users
- 2) Besides showing people where they are, \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. it plants routes
  - b. it plans routes
  - c. it planes routes
  - d. it pans routes
- 3) street views, traffic and footfall information, restaurant reviews and a \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. hole lot more
  - b. whole lot more
  - c. whole lots more
  - d. whole allot more
- 4) it can be helpful to know the air quality conditions - like whether \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. it's unusual smoggy
  - b. it's usually smoggy
  - c. it's usually snogging
  - d. it's unusually smoggy
- 5) its new AQI is a measure of how healthy (or unhealthy) the air is, \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. a long with guide dance
  - b. along with guidance
  - c. along with guy dance
  - d. along with guide ants
- 6) To view it, users tap on the "Layers" icon in the \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. top right corner
  - b. top light corner
  - c. top rite corner
  - d. top alight corner
- 7) This is the same button for selecting the satellite or \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. street view nodes
  - b. street view moats
  - c. street view mods
  - d. street view modes
- 8) We hope these tools help you feel \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. safe and in formed
  - b. safe and uniformed
  - c. safe and informed
  - d. safe and inform
- 9) The AQI will also provide updated information on the health \_\_\_\_\_ air quality
  - a. compact of the
  - b. impact of the
  - c. in pact of the
  - d. imp pact of the
- 10) a "wildfires near me" feature to alert, update and advise people \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. on the statues
  - b. on the status
  - c. on the states
  - d. on the state as

# LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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# COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2206/220613-google-maps.html>

1. What does the article say Google Maps boasts a wealth of?
2. What kinds of reviews does Google Maps provide?
3. What does the article say Google has unveiled?
4. What unusual thing might the Air Quality Index tell us about?
5. What guidance will the Air Quality Index tell us about?
6. What do we tap to access the Air Quality Index?
7. Where on the screen is the icon to access the Air Quality Index?
8. Who does Google work closely with?
9. How does Google hope people will feel after using the Air Quality Index?
10. What additional feature does the Air Quality Index have?

# MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2206/220613-google-maps.html>

- 1) What does the article say Google Maps boasts a wealth of?
  - a) products
  - b) useful features
  - c) maps
  - d) quality
- 2) What kinds of reviews does Google Maps provide?
  - a) map reviews
  - b) satellite reviews
  - c) street reviews
  - d) restaurant reviews
- 3) What does the article say Google has unveiled?
  - a) a new HQ
  - b) a statue
  - c) its latest tools
  - d) a new OS
- 4) What unusual thing might the Air Quality Index tell us about?
  - a) smog
  - b) fog
  - c) smoke
  - d) sleet
- 5) What guidance will the Air Quality Index tell us about?
  - a) health
  - b) outdoor activities
  - c) how to drive
  - d) map reading
- 6) What do we tap to access the Air Quality Index?
  - a) the Layers icon
  - b) shake our phone
  - c) swipe left
  - d) swipe right
- 7) Where on the screen is the icon to access the Air Quality Index?
  - a) the middle
  - b) the bottom left corner
  - c) the top right corner
  - d) second from the left
- 8) Who does Google work closely with?
  - a) its partners
  - b) Apple
  - c) the meteorological office
  - d) doctors
- 9) How does Google hope people will feel after using the Air Quality Index?
  - a) happy and healthy
  - b) safe and sound
  - c) knowledgeable
  - d) safe and informed
- 10) What additional feature does the Air Quality Index have?
  - a) a pollen counter
  - b) a UV detector
  - c) a wildfire alert
  - d) a humidity counter

# ROLE PLAY

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## **Role A – Maps**

You think Google Maps is Google's best product. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their products aren't as good. Also, tell the others which is the least useful of these (and why): Gmail, Search or YouTube.

## **Role B – Gmail**

You think Gmail is Google's best product. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their products aren't as good. Also, tell the others which is the least useful of these (and why): Google Maps, Search or YouTube.

## **Role C – Search**

You think Search is Google's best product. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their products aren't as good. Also, tell the others which is the least useful of these (and why): Gmail, Google Maps or YouTube.

## **Role D – YouTube**

You think YouTube is Google's best product. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their products aren't as good. Also, tell the others which is the least useful of these (and why): Gmail, Search or Google Maps.

# AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2206/220613-google-maps.html>

**1. WORD SEARCH:** Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'Google' and 'maps'.

<b>Google</b>	<b>maps</b>
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

**2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS:** Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

**3. GAP FILL:** In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

**4. VOCABULARY:** Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

**5. TEST EACH OTHER:** Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• boasts</li><li>• spoken</li><li>• whole</li><li>• trip</li><li>• unusually</li><li>• measure</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• view</li><li>• button</li><li>• closely</li><li>• hope</li><li>• provide</li><li>• status</li></ul>
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# GOOGLE MAPS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Google Maps 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.

# GOOGLE MAPS DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'Google'?
3. What do you think of Google Maps?
4. Are you good at reading maps?
5. What features of Google Maps do you like?
6. Are you good with directions?
7. How important is knowing about air quality at your location?
8. How do you plan a route?
9. How much do you worry about air quality?
10. What outdoor activities do you like?

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# GOOGLE MAPS DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'map'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What do you think of maps?
15. Do you prefer online maps or paper maps?
16. How does Google Maps work?
17. What other Google products do you like?
18. How often do you look at your town on Google Maps?
19. How useful is a wildfires feature?
20. What questions would you like to ask Google?

## **DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)**

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

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## **DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)**

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

# LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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## Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- |     |                |               |              |             |
|-----|----------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| 1.  | (a) boasts     | (b) bastes    | (c) boosts   | (d) boots   |
| 2.  | (a) really     | (b) reality   | (c) real     | (d) surreal |
| 3.  | (a) lots       | (b) allot     | (c) lot      | (d) loads   |
| 4.  | (a) down       | (b) up        | (c) in       | (d) out     |
| 5.  | (a) the        | (b) such      | (c) what     | (d) one     |
| 6.  | (a) gone       | (b) along     | (c) going    | (d) longing |
| 7.  | (a) tape       | (b) tip       | (c) top      | (d) tap     |
| 8.  | (a) plumping   | (b) selecting | (c) settling | (d) opting  |
| 9.  | (a) adjacently | (b) nearly    | (c) closely  | (d) densely |
| 10. | (a) much       | (b) it        | (c) these    | (d) them    |
| 11. | (a) at         | (b) of        | (c) in       | (d) on      |
| 12. | (a) stash      | (b) status    | (c) statutes | (d) statues |



# SPELLING

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## Paragraph 1

1. otsabs a wealth of useful features
2. traffic and lfalofto information
3. just nedvelui its latest tool
4. know the air quality ntncidsooi
5. whether it's unusually ggsoym
6. along with eucginda for outdoor activities

## Paragraph 2

7. itlstleae or street view modes
8. We crooabatlle closely with partners
9. ietaotvairuht information
10. help you feel safe and niomrefd
11. a "sildfeirw near me" feature
12. advise people on the usttsa

# PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2206/220613-google-maps.html>

**Number these lines in the correct order.**

- ( ) enjoy the summer." The AQI will also provide updated information on the health
- ( ) The new feature is a "layer" on Google Maps. To view it, users tap on the "Layers" icon in the top
- ( ) impact of the air quality. In addition, there is a "wildfires near me" feature to alert, update and advise people on the status of fires.
- ( ) right corner of the screen. This is the same button for selecting the satellite or street view
- ( ) conditions - like whether it's unusually smoggy." It added that its new AQI is, "a measure of how
- ( ) information when you need it most....We hope these tools help you feel safe and informed so you can
- ( **1** ) Google Maps already boasts a wealth of useful features for users. Besides showing people where they are, it plans
- ( ) visiting a new place or planning outdoor activities, it can be helpful to know the air quality
- ( ) reviews and a whole lot more. Google has just unveiled its latest tool. Users can now click on its Air Quality Index (AQI) before heading
- ( ) out for a bike ride, picnic, camping trip or hike. Google's products blog stated: "When you're
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- ( ) healthy (or unhealthy) the air is, along with guidance for outdoor activities."

# PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. Maps wealth of useful boasts already features. a
2. just unveiled its has Google useful latest tool.
3. its air index. quality on can click Users
4. the helpful conditions. to It can be know
5. healthy air how is. A of the measure
6. on icon. view users the tap it, To
7. option new see The quality to air information.
8. weather. collaborate We the closely partners with on
9. it. and authoritative you Helpful information need when
10. help hope you these We tools feel safe.

# CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

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**Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.**

# INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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# HOMEWORK

**1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION:** Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

**2. INTERNET:** Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

**3. GOOGLE MAPS:** Make a poster about Google Maps. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

**4. AIR QUALITY:** Write a magazine article about fining people for damaging air quality. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

**5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT?** Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

**6. LETTER:** Write a letter to an expert on Google Maps. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your opinions on it. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

# ANSWERS

## VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. b    2. d    3. f    4. e    5. c    6. g    7. a  
8. h    9. j    10. l    11. m    12. n    13. k    14. i

## TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- 1 F    2 T    3 T    4 T    5 F    6 F    7 T    8 T

## SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. f	2. h	3. b	4. j	5. c
6. i	7. d	8. a	9. g	10. e

## COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

- Useful features
- Restaurant reviews
- Its latest tools
- Smog
- Outdoor activities
- The Layers icon
- The top right corner
- Its partners
- Safe and informed
- A wildfire alert

## WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.19)

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- Google has just unveiled its latest useful tool.
- Users can click on its air quality index.
- It can be helpful to know the conditions.
- A measure of how healthy the air is.
- To view it, users tap on the icon.
- The new option to see air quality information.
- We collaborate closely with partners on the weather.
- Helpful and authoritative information when you need it.
- We hope these tools help you feel safe.

## MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. b    2. d    3. c    4. a    5. b    6. a    7. c    8. a    9. d    10. c

## ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.  
(It's good for your English ;-)