

Word on the Street

The City of London

Exercises

Answers are at the end of this support pack.

Activity 1

Fill in the gaps in the sentences with the correct word.

goods / century / settlement / exhibition / to melt / warehouse / dock / illustrator

1. A _____ is a place where people have come to live and make their homes, particularly when few or no people lived in this place before.
2. The aeroplane, car and radio were all invented in the last _____.
3. A lot of _____ are made in China.
4. Someone who draws is called an _____.
5. There is an _____ on vintage cars in Earls Court this weekend.
6. When water gets very cold it freezes, but when it warms up again it starts _____.
7. A _____ is a large building which is used for keeping machinery and products.
8. A _____ is where the

loading, unloading, building or repairing of ships occurs.

Activity 2

Read the following questions and select the correct answers.

1. How long is the River Thames?
 - a) 346 kilometres
 - b) 364 kilometres
 - c) 306 kilometres
2. What city does the River Thames go through?
 - a) Edinburgh
 - b) London
 - c) Manchester
3. What happened to the docks in the 1980s?
 - a) They got burnt down in a fire.
 - b) They sank into the river.
 - c) They became unused and were in a bad condition.
4. What is an advantage of living on the river?
 - a) It's cheap.
 - b) It's cold.
 - c) You don't have a garden.
5. What is a possible effect of a 'mini ice age'?
 - a) The river will turn to ice.
 - b) There will be no summer.
 - c) Polar bears will live on the Thames.

Discussion

- Do you have a famous river in your country? What is it famous for?
- Would you like to live on the river? Why or why not?

Discuss these questions with another student or post a comment on the LearnEnglish website.

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Answers

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7. A warehouse is a large building which is used for keeping machinery and products.
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Activity 2

1. a) 346 kilometres
2. b) London
3. c) They became unused and were in a bad condition.
4. a) It's cheap.
5. a) The river will turn to ice.