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#### A THE LISTENING TAPESCRIPT

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Noise is everywhere. I bet there isn't a place on Earth where you can't hear anything. I live in the city, so noise is everywhere. Sometimes it gets to me. I really want to have a button to turn it off. It's amazing how much noise there is around us. We usually never even think about it. Listen now to the noise around you. Cars, computers, music, people talking. It's strange to think that in the past few decades, people have been talking about noise pollution. That's a really good description. Noise is guite often pollution. It's stuff that makes our surroundings unpleasant. I wonder if there is any kind of noise that is good noise. The very word 'noise' has a negative meaning. But if you say sound, it has a different meaning. I love the sound of babies laughing.

### R LISTENING GAP FILL

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#### **A** CORRECT THE SPELLING

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#### N UNJUMBLE THE WORDS

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## **STUDENT A's QUESTIONS** (Write your own questions)

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# **STUDENT B's QUESTIONS** (Write your own questions)

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#### STUDENT NOISE SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about noise 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.



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Write about noise for 10 minutes. Show your partner your paper. Correct each other's work.

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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 INFO:** Search the Internet and find more information about noise. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

**3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE:** Write a magazine article about noise. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

**4. NOISE POSTER** Make a poster about noise. Show it to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your posters.

**5. MY NOISE LESSON:** Make your own English lesson on noise. Make sure there is a good mix of things to do. Find some good online activities. Teach the class / another group when you have finished.

**6. ONLINE SHARING:** Use your blog, wiki, Facebook page, MySpace page, Twitter stream, Del-icio-us / StumbleUpon account, or any other social media tool to get opinions on noise. Share your findings with the class.