

Worksheet

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NEW HOTEL IS JUST WHAT THE AREA NEEDS



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When developers released a statement that they were going to build a luxury new hotel at the local beach, everyone in the town was very excited. ¹ _____.

⁵ We all have to seize the opportunity and realise that the hotel will not only give us work, but offer improvements to the whole area around the beach. The developers have promised a new road with wide pavements to and from the ¹⁰ beach and a replacement of the sad old beach restaurants which have been there for years.

We have asked for such development for years and I'm so happy that the developers have come up with a solution to help local people. ¹⁵ ² _____.

I was very surprised to hear that there are protesters who are against the plan. Just last week, some activists tried to stop lorries from entering the beach to start building work, and ²⁰ I reported the incident to the police. ³ _____.

There has even been an accusation that I am 'working to promote the hotel company', but this is not true.

We must remember that the hotel will solve ²⁵ many of the problems in our area, and I support it 100%.

When we first received information about a new hotel at our local beach, many local people were pleased and thought that the development could give us job security. ⁴ _____. It is very clear that ³⁰ the hotel is an international company and in all its branches, it employs an international staff. It also uses the same building contractors for all its hotels, and none of them are from our area.

In addition, the developers plan to replace the ³⁵ traditional restaurants which have been on the beach for years with new, upmarket restaurants, also with their own staff. These restaurants will be too expensive for most people in our neighbourhood. ⁵ _____.

⁴⁰ My investigation also revealed a plan to build several new roads to the beach which will affect bird and animal life in a sensitive nature area. I am not an activist and I refute the allegation that I tried to obstruct building work last week. ⁶ _____. I plan ⁴⁵ to join the other protesters who want a suspension of the building work until we know exactly how many jobs will go to local people. Tension will also continue until the plans for new roads are moved away from the sensitive nature areas.



Vocabulary Table

Word	Arabic Meaning	Example from the Text
released	أصدر / نشر	When developers released a statement...
opportunity	فرصة	We all have to seize the opportunity ...
improve	يحسّن / يطوّر	...and realise that the hotel will not only give us work, but offer improvements ...
pavement	رصيف	...a new road with wide pavements ...
protesters	محتجون	...there are protesters who are against the plan.
activists	نشطاء	Some activists tried to stop lorries from entering the beach...

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allegation	اتهام / ادعاء	There has even been an accusation that I am working to promote the company...
employment	توظيف / تشغيل	...the hotel...employs an international staff .
unmarket	غير مُسوّق / غير معروف	...replace the old restaurants with new, unmarket restaurants...
investigation	تحقيق	My investigation revealed a plan to build several new roads...
sensitive	حساس	...bird and animal life in a sensitive nature area.
refute	يدحض / ينكر	I am not an activist and I refute the allegation...
suspension	تعليق / إيقاف مؤقت	...protesters who want a suspension of the building work...
tension	توتر	Tension will also continue until the plans...are moved away.
neighbourhood	الحي / المنطقة	These restaurants will be too expensive for most people in our neighbourhood .

Reading Comprehension

Read the text then answer the following questions

1. What did the developers announce?

- A. A road expansion project
- B. A plan to build a luxury hotel
- C. The closing of old restaurants
- D. A beach clean-up campaign

Correct answer: B

2. Who tried to stop lorries from entering the beach?

- A. Developers
- B. Local families
- C. Activists
- D. Hotel staff

Correct answer: C

3. Why were many people excited about the hotel?

- A. It would create jobs and improve the area
- B. It would protect wildlife
- C. It would reduce tourism
- D. It would stop traffic

Correct answer: A

4. What is the writer's opinion about the hotel?

- A. He dislikes it
- B. He is unsure
- C. He supports it
- D. He prefers a different project

Correct answer: C

5. Which sentence shows *direct support* for local workers?

- A. "The restaurants will be too expensive."
- B. "The hotel employs an international staff."
- C. "We have all asked for such development for years."
- D. "Many jobs will go to local people."

Correct answer: D

6. If you were a local community member, which detail from the text would help you decide to support the project?

- A. It will replace traditional restaurants
- B. It will bring job security
- C. It might cause tension
- D. Roads will affect animal life

Correct answer: B

7. Which argument is used by the protesters?

- A. The hotel will improve pavements
- B. The project will harm a sensitive nature area
- C. The hotel will bring tourists
- D. The hotel will cost too much

Correct answer: B

8. How does the second writer try to defend himself?

- A. He agrees with all accusations
- B. He demands more hotels
- C. He refutes the allegation of obstruction
- D. He supports destroying the nature area

Correct answer: C

9. Which opinion is best supported by evidence from the text?

- A. The project has no environmental effects
- B. Everyone in town supports the project
- C. The project has both benefits and risks
- D. The hotel will not create jobs

Correct answer: C

10. Imagine you are a journalist. Based on the two opinions, which headline best fits?

- A. "Hotel Brings Only Problems to Town"
- B. "Developers Cancel Beach Construction"
- C. "Community Divided Over New Hotel Project"
- D. "Nature Area Declared Wildlife Sanctuary"

Correct answer: C

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