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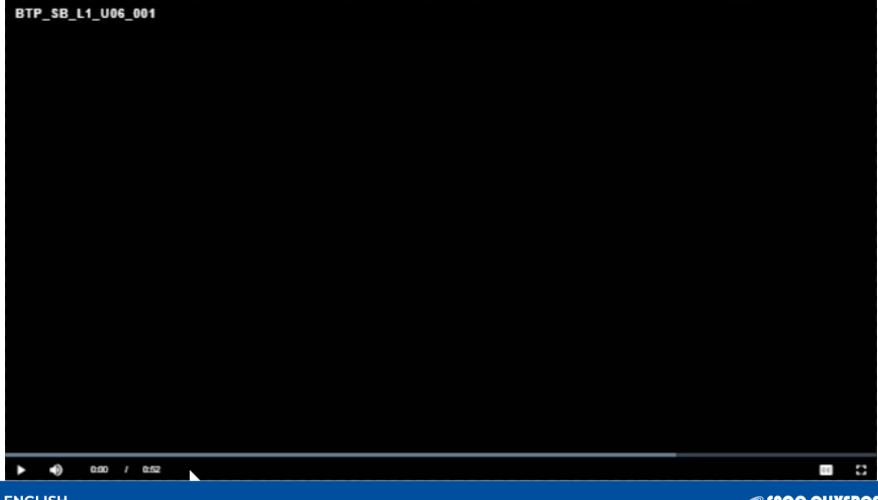
Chapter 10 Session B

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SPEND!







A magazine article

- 1 Work in pairs. Discuss the questions.
 - 1 What do you usually spend money on?
 - 2 Are you saving for anything right now? What do you want to buy?
 - 3 What is a good way for teenagers to earn money in your country?
 - 4 Do you ever buy or sell things online? What websites do you use?

2 Look at the photos in the article. What can you see? Do you have any of these at home?

Do you keep old toys and technology? Do you have too many games? If the answer is yes, try selling them online. You could make some money!

Most of us have some LEGO[©] at home. Now, people pay a lot of money for just one piece. There's a website called www.BrickLink.com where you can sell your old LEGO[©] pieces. A normal piece, if it's the right color, can sell for \$200, and a red Darth Vader helmet sells for \$400. There aren't many original *Star Wars* Millennium Falcon sets in the world, so one of these is worth \$12,000!

Did you use to collect Happy Meals Toys? They're free when you buy a Happy Meal at McDonald's. Someone recently paid \$360 for a **set** of the Minions and one Pikachu from a Japanese Happy Meal sold for \$100! If you don't have a complete set, don't worry. You can still get about \$500 for a box of mixed toys.

Maybe you have some old boxes of cereal too. There were cereals PAGE 51 for every movie character and video game in the 80s and 90s, and Nintendo cereals were especially popular. A collector recently paid \$200 for a box of these cereals – and someone paid half that for an empty box!

These days, people change their phone every year or two, so you probably have one of these. It isn't worth much now, but don't throw it away. It could be valuable in the future. A 1983 Motorola recently sold for \$550, and other old phones are worth the same.

So, if you want to buy new things and you don't have enough money, go and look in your cupboard. Maybe you'll find some treasure there!

- 3 © Read and listen to the article. Which of these does it mention?
 - a things that you can sell online
 - **b** how much money people pay for different things
 - c instructions about how to sell old objects online

Subskill: Scanning

When you read for information about numbers, don't read the whole article in detail. Scan the text and look for the numbers. Then read the information that relates to the numbers.

- 4 Find the answers to the questions. (You have one minute!)
 - 1 What did someone buy for \$360? A set of the Minions
 - 2 What is worth \$400? Red Darth Vader helmet
 - 3 How much could you get for an old phone?
 \$ 550
 - 4 What's the most expensive object in the article? a Star Wars Millennium Falcon set
 - 5 How much did someone pay for an empty cereal box? <u>\$100</u>

Are the sentences true, false or is there no information? Give reasons for your answer.

- 1 There is a website where you can buy and sell a TRUE type of toy.
- 2 You can sell any piece of LEGO® for \$200.
- 3 Happy Meal® toys from Japan are more NO INFORMATION popular than other toys.
- 4 You can sell recent cell phones for a lot of money.
- 5 People ate a lot of cereals in the 80s and 90s. NO INFORMATION
- 6 Some people collect old boxes of cereal. TRUE

7 Complete the sentences with words from exercise 6.

- 1 They found <u>TREASURE</u> when they opened the Egyptian pyramids.
- 2 I usually have toast for breakfast, but I sometimes have <u>CEREAL</u>.
- 3 My cousin is a <u>COLLECTOR</u> of old coins. He has hundreds.
- 4 My uncle has a complete <u>SET</u> of Pokémon™ cards.
- 5 These old books are probably <u>WORTH</u> a lot of money now.
- 6 The most <u>VALUABLE</u> things I have are my laptop and phone.

CRITICAL THINKING





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- **1** Remember What information in the article do you think is most surprising?
- 2 Analyze What are the advantages and disadvantages of buying things online? (Think of at least two advantages and two disadvantages.)
- 3 Evaluate In your opinion, is it better to shop online or go to a normal store?

Research

Go online and find the price for an old game or toy that you have. What is the most expensive old game or toy you can find?

HOMEWORK

6 Word work Match the definitions to the words in bold in the text.

- 1 this describes something that costs a lot or is important to a person
- 2 a group of things of the same type
- 3 a type of breakfast food that we usually eat with milk
- 4 a person who collects a particular type of thing as a hobby
- 5 a collection of expensive objects, possibly made of gold or silver
- 6 this describes how much people will pay to buy something

WORTH

THANK YOU