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Level 0

No work E-mail for workers on vacation

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THE READING

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It is difficult for people to stop working. Many workers look at e-mails on the train, at lunchtime, at home, and when they are on vacation. Workers for the carmaker Daimler can delete e-mails and relax when they are on holiday. Daimler says it wants workers to enjoy family time and "me time" on holiday.

Daimler said staff work better after a refreshing holiday. The company said staff should relax on holiday and not read emails. Its mail system sends replies that ask people to write again later. This might be a bad idea. Some people won't write again. Companies could lose money.

Sources: <http://www.marketplace.org/topics/business/daimler-and-disappearing-emails>
<http://www.techrepublic.com/article/the-digital-fightback-the-struggle-to-stop-work-taking-over-our-lives/>
<http://www.theatlantic.com/business/archive/2014/08/daimlers-german-employees-can-set-emails-to-auto-delete-during-vacation/376068/>

VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. It is difficult for people | a. e-mails |
| 2. workers look at e-mails on | b. on vacation |
| 3. when they are | c. time |
| 4. Workers for the | d. to enjoy family time |
| 5. delete | e. to stop working |
| 6. relax when they | f. the train |
| 7. Daimler says it wants workers | g. are on holiday |
| 8. me | h. carmaker Daimler |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. staff work better after | a. staff should relax |
| 2. The company said | b. again |
| 3. not read | c. again later |
| 4. mail | d. a refreshing holiday |
| 5. ask people to write | e. lose money |
| 6. This might be | f. emails |
| 7. Some people won't write | g. system |
| 8. Companies could | h. a bad idea |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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It is (1) _____ to stop working. Many workers look at e-mails on the train, (2) _____, and when they (3) _____. Workers for the carmaker Daimler (4) _____ and relax when they are on holiday. Daimler (5) _____ workers to enjoy family (6) _____ on holiday.

Daimler said (7) _____ after a refreshing holiday. The company said staff (8) _____ holiday and not read emails. Its (9) _____ replies that ask people (10) _____ later. This (11) _____. Some people won't write again. Companies (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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s. Its mail system sends replies that ask people to write again later. This
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ose money.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

