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# THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181129-working-week.html>

One of the world's most successful business leaders, Elon Musk, has said that people need to work from around 80 to over 100 hours per week to "change the world". Mr Musk knows what he is talking about because he has his finger in many pies. He is the founder, CEO and lead designer of SpaceX; the co-founder and CEO of the car company Tesla; and the co-founder of PayPal. He works very hard on many projects that have changed and could change our lives. He said he is a workaholic but he loves what he does. He talked about working hard in an interview with the technology news website Recode. He said: "There are way easier places to work, but nobody ever changed the world on 40 hours a week."

It is not just Mr Musk who works hard. Workers at his companies also put in very long hours. Musk said "everyone" at Tesla has worked 100 hours per week at times this year. He said this was necessary to make sure the Tesla Model 3 car could survive. He said: "There wasn't some other way to do this." Musk acknowledged that some Tesla employees were unhappy with working so hard. He said some workers called the hours "excessive," while others said they prefer to work 70 or more hours per week. Musk said the "pain level" of working hard increases above 80 hours a week, but he didn't say what the pain was. The average CEO of a multi-billion-dollar company works around 70 hours a week.

Sources: <https://www.businessinsider.com/elon-musk-says-80-hours-per-week-needed-change-the-world-2018-11>  
<https://www.cnbc.com/2018/11/05/elon-musk-on-working-120-hours-a-week-youll-go-bonkers.html>  
<https://thetechportal.com/2018/11/04/elon-musk-minute-interview/>

# WARM-UPS

**1. THE WORKING WEEK:** Students walk around the class and talk to other students about the working week. Change partners often and share your findings.

**2. CHAT:** In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

successful / business / leaders / finger / pies / CEO / designer / car company / news / workers / long hours / survive / working hard / pain level / average / multi-billion

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

**3. LIMIT:** Students A **strongly** believe the working week should be limited to 40 hours; Students B **strongly** believe there should be no limit. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

**4. LEADERS:** Who are the best leaders? Complete this table and share what you wrote with your partner(s). Change partners often.

Leader in...	Who?	Why?
business		
sport		
politics		
religion		
fashion		
environmentalism		

**5. CHANGE:** Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "change". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

**6. BUSINESS:** Rank these with your partner. Put the most exciting businesses to work in at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- space
- cars
- IT
- sport
- energy
- fashion
- education
- robotics

# VOCABULARY MATCHING

## Paragraph 1

- |                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| 1. successful          | a. An idea or program that is carefully planned and designed to achieve a particular aim.                   |
| 2. finger in many pies | b. A person who starts a company, institution or other organisation.  |
| 3. founder             | c. Doing lots of different things or projects at the same time.   |
| 4. lead                | d. A conversation between a journalist or radio or television presenter and a famous or interesting person. |
| 5. projects            | e. Doing very well in an aim or purpose.  |
| 6. workaholic          | f. Most important; main.  |
| 7. interview           | g. A person who cannot stop working hard and long hours.  |

## Paragraph 2

- |                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| 8. necessary     | h. Manage to keep going in difficult situations.   |
| 9. survive       | i. A chief executive officer, the highest person in a company who has to make all the big decisions. |
| 10. acknowledged | j. More than is necessary, normal, or desirable.   |
| 11. employees    | k. Accepted something as being true.   |
| 12. excessive    | l. Like one thing or person better than another or others.   |
| 13. prefer       | m. A person employed for wages or salary.  |
| 14. CEO          | n. Required to be done; needed.  |

# BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181129-working-week.html>

**1. TRUE / FALSE:** Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. The article called Elon Musk a successful business leader. **T / F**
- b. The article says Mr Musk has his finger in many pies. **T / F**
- c. Mr Musk helped to start the company PayPal. **T / F**
- d. Mr Musk said his companies are the easiest companies to work for. **T / F**
- e. Workers at Musk's companies do not work more than 80 hours a week. **T / F**
- f. Mr Musk said all workers at his companies were happy. **T / F**
- g. Some of Mr Musk's workers prefer to work over 70 hours a week. **T / F**
- h. The average CEO of multi-billion-dollar companies work 90 hours a week. **T / F**

**2. SYNONYM MATCH:** (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- |                        |                  |
|------------------------|------------------|
| 1. <b>successful</b>   | a. only          |
| 2. <b>around</b>       | b. creator       |
| 3. <b>lead</b>         | c. typical       |
| 4. <b>founder</b>      | d. needed        |
| 5. <b>interview</b>    | e. approximately |
| 6. <b>just</b>         | f. too much      |
| 7. <b>necessary</b>    | g. discussion    |
| 8. <b>acknowledged</b> | h. doing well    |
| 9. <b>excessive</b>    | i. accepted      |
| 10. <b>average</b>     | j. head          |

**3. PHRASE MATCH:** (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- |  |                             |
|--|-----------------------------|
| 1. the world's most successful           | a. put in very long hours   |
| 2. he has his finger                     | b. easier places to work    |
| 3. the co-founder and CEO                | c. he loves what he does    |
| 4. he is a workaholic but                | d. way to do this           |
| 5. There are way                         | e. billion-dollar company   |
| 6. Workers at his companies also         | f. in many pies             |
| 7. worked 100 hours per week             | g. "excessive"              |
| 8. There wasn't some other               | h. business leaders         |
| 9. He said some workers called the hours | i. at times this year       |
| 10. The average CEO of a multi-          | j. of the car company Tesla |

# GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181129-working-week.html>

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*finger*  
*workaholic*  
*per*  
*ever*  
*projects*  
*interview*  
*successful*  
*lead*

It is not (9) \_\_\_\_\_ Mr Musk who works hard. Workers at his companies also put in very long hours. Musk said "everyone" at Tesla has worked 100 hours per week at (10) \_\_\_\_\_ this year. He said this was necessary to make (11) \_\_\_\_\_ the Tesla Model 3 car could survive. He said: "There wasn't some other way to do this." Musk (12) \_\_\_\_\_ that some Tesla employees were unhappy with working (13) \_\_\_\_\_ hard. He said some workers called the hours "excessive," while others said they (14) \_\_\_\_\_ to work 70 or more hours per week. Musk said the "pain (15) \_\_\_\_\_ " of working hard increases above 80 hours a week, but he didn't say what the pain was. The (16) \_\_\_\_\_ CEO of a multi-billion-dollar company works around 70 hours a week.

*sure*  
*so*  
*average*  
*just*  
*level*  
*times*  
*acknowledged*  
*prefer*

# LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181129-working-week.html>

- 1) Mr Musk knows what he is talking about because he has his finger \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. in many spies
  - b. in many pays
  - c. in many pries
  - d. in many pies
- 2) He is the founder, CEO and lead \_\_\_\_\_ SpaceX
  - a. designer of
  - b. designer off
  - c. design area of
  - d. designer air
- 3) He works very hard on many projects that have changed and could \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. change our lives
  - b. change our lively
  - c. change our alive
  - d. change our relives
- 4) He talked about working hard in an interview with the technology \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. new website
  - b. newts website
  - c. mews website
  - d. news website
- 5) easier places to work, but nobody ever changed the world on 40 \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. hours a week
  - b. hours the week
  - c. hours of week
  - d. hours are week
- 6) Workers at his companies also put in \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. very longing hours
  - b. very longer hours
  - c. very long ours
  - d. very long hours
- 7) Musk said "everyone" at Tesla has worked 100 hours per week \_\_\_\_\_ year
  - a. at times those
  - b. at times these
  - c. at times this
  - d. at times that's
- 8) Musk acknowledged that some Tesla employees were unhappy with \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. working so hardly
  - b. working so hard
  - c. working so harsh
  - d. working so hark
- 9) some workers called the hours "excessive," while others said they \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. preference to work
  - b. preferable to work
  - c. prefer to work
  - d. prefers to work
- 10) working hard increases above 80 hours a week, but he didn't say what \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. the plain was
  - b. the pane was
  - c. the plane was
  - d. the pain was

# LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181129-working-week.html>

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It (7) \_\_\_\_\_ Mr Musk who works hard. Workers at his companies also put in very long hours. Musk said "everyone" at Tesla has worked 100 hours per week (8) \_\_\_\_\_ year. He said this was necessary to make sure the Tesla Model 3 car could survive. He said: "There wasn't some other (9) \_\_\_\_\_ this." Musk acknowledged that some Tesla employees were unhappy with (10) \_\_\_\_\_. He said some workers called the hours "excessive," while others said (11) \_\_\_\_\_ work 70 or more hours per week. Musk said the "pain level" of working hard increases above 80 hours a week, but he didn't say what (12) \_\_\_\_\_. The average CEO of a multi-billion-dollar company works around 70 hours a week.



# COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181129-working-week.html>

1. What kind of leader did the article say Elon Musk was?
2. What did the article say Mr Musk had his finger in?
3. What company is Mr Musk the founder, CEO and lead designer of?
4. What word did the article use to describe Mr Musk working a lot?
5. What is the name of the website that interviewed Mr Musk?
6. How many hours have workers at Tesla worked at times this year?
7. What car did Mr Musk want to make sure of the survival of?
8. What did some Tesla workers say they preferred?
9. When did Mr Musk say the "pain level" increases?
10. How long does the average CEO of a multi-billion-dollar company work?

# MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181129-working-week.html>

- 1) What kind of leader did the article say Elon Musk was?
  - a) a great leader
  - b) a natural leader
  - c) a business leader
  - d) a bossy leader
- 2) What did the article say Mr Musk had his finger in?
  - a) many pies
  - b) his ears
  - c) his mouth
  - d) a fingerprint scanner
- 3) What company is Mr Musk the founder, CEO and lead designer of?
  - a) SpaceX
  - b) PayPal
  - c) Tesla
  - d) eBay
- 4) What word did the article use to describe Mr Musk working a lot?
  - a) alcoholic
  - b) workaholic
  - c) shopaholic
  - d) chocoholic
- 5) What is the name of the website that interviewed Mr Musk?
  - a) Code
  - b) Coder
  - c) Decode
  - d) Recode
- 6) How many hours have workers at Tesla worked at times this year?
  - a) 90
  - b) 100
  - c) 70
  - d) 80
- 7) What car did Mr Musk want to make sure of the survival of?
  - a) the Tesla Model 3
  - b) the Musk Model 3
  - c) the Tesla Musk
  - d) the Tesla X
- 8) What did some Tesla workers say they preferred?
  - a) to go home
  - b) 35-hour weeks
  - c) to work over 70 hours
  - d) long weekends
- 9) When did Mr Musk say the "pain level" increases?
  - a) above 120 hours
  - b) above 100 hours
  - c) above 90 hours
  - d) above 80 hours
- 10) How long does the average CEO of a multi-billion-dollar company work?
  - a) around 70 hours
  - b) around 75 hours
  - c) around 65 hours
  - d) around 80 hours

# ROLE PLAY

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## **Role A – Space**

You think space is the most exciting business to be in. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their businesses. Also, tell the others which is the least exciting of these (and why): energy, fashion or robotics.

## **Role B – Energy**

You think energy is the most exciting business to be in. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their businesses. Also, tell the others which is the least exciting of these (and why): space, fashion or robotics.

## **Role C – Fashion**

You think fashion is the most exciting business to be in. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their businesses. Also, tell the others which is the least exciting of these (and why): energy, space or robotics.

## **Role D – Robotics**

You think robotics is the most exciting business to be in. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their businesses. Also, tell the others which is the least exciting of these (and why): energy, fashion or space.

# AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181129-working-week.html>

**1. WORD SEARCH:** Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'work' and 'week'.

<b>work</b>	<b>week</b>
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

**2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS:** Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

**3. GAP FILL:** In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

**4. VOCABULARY:** Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

**5. TEST EACH OTHER:** Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• successful</li><li>• finger</li><li>• designer</li><li>• projects</li><li>• interview</li><li>• easier</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• just</li><li>• times</li><li>• survive</li><li>• unhappy</li><li>• level</li><li>• CEO</li></ul>
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# THE WORKING WEEK SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181129-working-week.html>

Write five GOOD questions about the working week 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.

# THE WORKING WEEK DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'working'?
3. What kind of people become successful business leaders?
4. What do you know about Elon Musk?
5. How many hours a week would you like to work?
6. What do you think of working 100 hours a week?
7. Would you like to change the world?
8. What business people have changed the world?
9. What kind of company would you like to be CEO of?
10. Do you think you would be a good CEO?

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# THE WORKING WEEK DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'week'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. Should there be a limit on the number of hours worked?
15. Could you work for a company that asks you to work 100 hours?
16. What is your perfect job?
17. Are you a hard worker?
18. What "pain" would you get from working so hard?
19. Should CEOs get huge salaries?
20. What questions would you like to ask Elon Musk?

# DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. \_\_\_\_\_

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# DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. \_\_\_\_\_

# LANGUAGE - CLOZE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181129-working-week.html>

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It is not (7) \_\_\_\_\_ Mr Musk who works hard. Workers at his companies also put in very long hours. Musk said "everyone" at Tesla has worked 100 hours per week at times this year. He said this was (8) \_\_\_\_\_ to make sure the Tesla Model 3 car could survive. He said: "There wasn't some other way to do this." Musk acknowledged that some Tesla employees were unhappy (9) \_\_\_\_\_ working so hard. He said some workers called the hours "excessive," (10) \_\_\_\_\_ others said they prefer to work 70 or more hours per week. Musk said the "pain (11) \_\_\_\_\_" of working hard increases above 80 hours a week, but he didn't say what the pain was. The (12) \_\_\_\_\_ CEO of a multi-billion-dollar company works around 70 hours a week.

**Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.**

- |     |                 |                 |                |                |
|-----|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1.  | (a) mostly      | (b) must        | (c) most       | (d) mast       |
| 2.  | (a) per         | (b) pre         | (c) par        | (d) purr       |
| 3.  | (a) finger      | (b) toe         | (c) nose       | (d) tongue     |
| 4.  | (a) change      | (b) changed     | (c) changing   | (d) changes    |
| 5.  | (a) alcoholic   | (b) chocoholic  | (c) shopaholic | (d) workaholic |
| 6.  | (a) pay         | (b) day         | (c) may        | (d) way        |
| 7.  | (a) just        | (b) adjust      | (c) justly     | (d) justice    |
| 8.  | (a) necessarily | (b) necessitate | (c) needy      | (d) necessary  |
| 9.  | (a) with        | (b) as          | (c) such       | (d) that       |
| 10. | (a) which       | (b) while       | (c) whichever  | (d) whiling    |
| 11. | (a) bevel       | (b) level       | (c) revel      | (d) devil      |
| 12. | (a) average     | (b) sum         | (c) median     | (d) mean       |



# SPELLING

## Paragraph 1

1. lucfusssec business leaders
2. lead sdgiener of SpaceX
3. the nr-oedfocu and CEO
4. He works very hard on many jotecspr
5. he is a wclai krooh
6. in an erteiniwv

## Paragraph 2

7. He said this was nryecseas
8. make sure the Tesla Model 3 car could ivvesru
9. Tesla epeomyels
10. workers called the hours exevsiesc
11. they rpreef to work
12. The grvaaee CEO

# PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181129-working-week.html>

**Number these lines in the correct order.**

- ( ) hours. Musk said "everyone" at Tesla has worked 100 hours per week at times this year. He said this was necessary to make
- ( ) easier places to work, but nobody ever changed the world on 40 hours a week."
- ( **1** ) One of the world's most successful business leaders, Elon Musk, has said that people need to
- ( ) talking about because he has his finger in many pies. He is the founder, CEO and lead designer
- ( ) was. The average CEO of a multi-billion-dollar company works around 70 hours a week.
- ( ) does. He talked about working hard in an interview with the technology news website Recode. He said: "There are way
- ( ) sure the Tesla Model 3 car could survive. He said: "There wasn't some other way to do
- ( ) It is not just Mr Musk who works hard. Workers at his companies also put in very long
- ( ) of SpaceX; the co-founder and CEO of the car company Tesla; and the co-founder of PayPal. He works very hard on many
- ( ) level" of working hard increases above 80 hours a week, but he didn't say what the pain
- ( ) work from around 80 to over 100 hours per week to "change the world". Mr Musk knows what he is
- ( ) this." Musk acknowledged that some Tesla employees were unhappy with working so hard. He said some workers
- ( ) called the hours "excessive," while others said they prefer to work 70 or more hours per week. Musk said the "pain
- ( ) projects that have changed and could change our lives. He said he is a workaholic but he loves what he

# PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181129-working-week.html>

1. the most of One leaders . business world's successful
2. many He has pies . finger in his
3. projects . He very works hard many on
4. talked about He hard in an interview . working
5. way work . There are easier places to
6. is It who just works Musk not hard .
7. Tesla at week . has worked hours Everyone per 100
8. wasn't to do some other There this . way
9. said He workers the called hours some excessive .
10. multi-billion-dollar company . a The CEO average of

# CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181129-working-week.html>

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It is not just Mr Musk who *workers / works* hard. Workers at his companies also put in very long hours. Musk said "everyone" at Tesla has worked 100 hours per week *that / at* times this year. He said this was necessary to make *sure / surely* the Tesla Model 3 car could *survival / survive*. He said: "There wasn't some other way to *do / be* this." Musk acknowledged that some Tesla employees were *unhappily / unhappy* with working so hard. He said some workers called the hours "excessive," while *other / others* said they prefer to work 70 or more hours per week. Musk said the "*plain / pain* level" of working hard increases above 80 hours a week, but he didn't say what the pain was. The *averaged / average* CEO of a multi-billion-dollar company works *around / about* 70 hours a week.

**Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.**

# INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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# PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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it is not just mr musk who works hard workers at his companies also put in very long hours musk said everyone at tesla has worked 100 hours per week at times this year he said this was necessary to make sure the tesla model 3 car could survive he said there wasnt some other way to do this musk acknowledged that some tesla employees were unhappy with working so hard he said some workers called the hours excessive while others said they prefer to work 70 or more hours per week musk said the pain level of working hard increases above 80 hours a week but he didnt say what the pain was the average ceo of a multibilliondollar company works around 70 hours a week.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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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:** Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

**3. THE WORKING WEEK:** Make a poster about the working week. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

**4. CHANGING THE WORLD:** Write a magazine article about working 80 or more hours a week to change the world. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

**5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT?** Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

**6. LETTER:** Write a letter to an expert on the working week. Ask him/her three questions about the working week. Give him/her three of your ideas. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

# ANSWERS

## VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. e    2. c    3. b    4. f    5. a    6. g    7. d  
8. n    9. h    10. k    11. m    12. i    13. l    14. j

## TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- a T    b T    c T    d F    e F    f F    g T    h F

## SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

- |                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| 1. successful   | a. doing well    |
| 2. around       | b. approximately |
| 3. lead         | c. head          |
| 4. founder      | d. creator       |
| 5. interview    | e. discussion    |
| 6. just         | f. only          |
| 7. necessary    | g. needed        |
| 8. acknowledged | h. accepted      |
| 9. excessive    | i. too much      |
| 10. average     | j. typical       |

## COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. One of the world's most successful business leaders
2. Many pies
3. SpaceX
4. Workaholic
5. Recode
6. 100
7. The Tesla Model 3
8. To work 70 hours or more per week
9. Above 80 hours a week
10. Around 70 hours a week

## WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

1. One of the world's most successful business leaders.
2. He has his finger in many pies.
3. He works very hard on many projects.
4. He talked about working hard in an interview.
5. There are way easier places to work.
6. It is not just Musk who works hard.
7. Everyone at Tesla has worked 100 hours per week.
8. There wasn't some other way to do this.
9. He said some workers called the hours excessive.
10. The average CEO of a multi-billion-dollar company.

## MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. c    2. a    3. a    4. b    5. d    6. b    7. a    8. c    9. d    10. a

## ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.  
(It's good for your English ;-)