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**Level 3 – 27th April 2023**

## Traditional English tea losing popularity in UK

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# THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230427-breakfast-tea.html>

British people are big tea drinkers. It is a tradition in Britain to drink tea for different occasions and reasons. People have it for breakfast, for when guests visit, and for tea breaks at work. People even "have a cuppa" when they talk about their personal problems. However, research from The Tea Group shows that herbal, fruit and other teas have become more popular than traditional English breakfast tea. Researchers conducted a survey of more than 2,000 tea lovers. Over half of people said their favourite tea was not the traditional variety. Over a fifth of people chose green tea as their favourite brew. Just over 20 per cent said Earl Grey was their number one.

Sales of traditional tea in the U.K. have been declining. Three years ago, a survey found that 54 per cent of Britons preferred English breakfast tea. The new research shows that breakfast tea is likely to continue to decline in popularity. The researchers found many other things about tea-drinking habits in the U.K. The biggest reason for drinking tea was to relax. A quarter of Britons drink up to 10 cups a day. Brits seem to love milky and sugary tea. Around 85 per cent of people who drink Earl Grey and English breakfast put milk in it. Nearly 45 per cent of people sweeten their tea with sugar. Amazingly, people with a sweet tooth put three teaspoons of sugar in their cup.

Sources: <https://yougov.co.uk/topics/consumer/articles-reports/2020/11/24/how-do-british-tea-drinking-habits-compare>  
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<https://retailtimes.co.uk/over-half-of-brits-move-away-from-traditional-english-breakfast-tea-as-their-preferred-blend-research-finds/>

# WARM-UPS

**1. TEA:** Students walk around the class and talk to other students about tea. 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?

British people / tea / tradition / breakfast / personal problems / survey / number one / research / three years ago / popularity / habits / cups / milk / sugar / sweet tooth

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

**3. COFFEE:** Students A **strongly** believe coffee is better than tea; Students B **strongly** believe tea is best. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

**4. TEAS:** What do you know about these different varieties of tea? What do you want to know? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	What I Know	What I Want to Know
English tea		
Earl Grey		
Green tea		
Chai		
Rooibos		
Peppermint tea		

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

**6. DRINKS:** Rank these with your partner. Put the best drinks at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- English tea
- Coffee
- Milk
- Water
- Orange juice
- Cola
- Green tea
- Red Bull

# VOCABULARY MATCHING

## Paragraph 1

- |              |   |
|--------------|---|
| 1. tradition | a. A person who is invited to visit someone's home or attend a particular social event.                   |
| 2. occasion  | b. Something to find out the opinions or experience of a group of people, based on a series of questions. |
| 3. guest     | c. An old custom or belief that has been passed down from one family to the next.                         |
| 4. visit     | d. A particular event, or the time at which it takes place.   |
| 5. popular   | e. Go to see and spend time with someone.   |
| 6. survey    | f. Liked by many people.  |
| 7. variety   | g. A kind or type of something.   |

## Paragraph 2

- |                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| 8. sales        | h. 1/4  |
| 9. declining    | i. The number of things sold.   |
| 10. preferred   | j. An action or routine that someone does time after time (and can be difficult to stop). |
| 11. habit       | k. Make or become sweet or sweeter, especially in taste.                                  |
| 12. quarter     | l. Becoming smaller, fewer, or less; decreasing.  |
| 13. sweeten     | m. A great liking for sweet-tasting food.   |
| 14. sweet tooth | n. Liked one thing or person better than another or others.                               |

# BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230427-breakfast-tea.html>

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

1. British people drink tea when they talk about their problems. **T / F**
2. Researchers interviewed over 2,000 people who love tea. **T / F**
3. The most popular tea in the UK is green tea. **T / F**
4. A fifth of people in a survey said Earl Grey was their favourite tea. **T / F**
5. Sales of traditional tea have been going down in the UK. **T / F**
6. Research shows English tea will become more popular from now. **T / F**
7. Half of people in the UK drink 10 cups of tea a day. **T / F**
8. Some people in the UK have three tablespoons of sugar in their tea. **T / F**

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

- |                     |                |
|---------------------|----------------|
| 1. <b>tradition</b> | a. probable    |
| 2. <b>visit</b>     | b. carried out |
| 3. <b>popular</b>   | c. explanation |
| 4. <b>conducted</b> | d. stop by     |
| 5. <b>variety</b>   | e. roughly     |
| 6. <b>declining</b> | f. kind        |
| 7. <b>likely</b>    | g. custom      |
| 8. <b>reason</b>    | h. falling     |
| 9. <b>seem</b>      | i. well liked  |
| 10. <b>around</b>   | j. appear      |

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

- |  |                         |
|--|-------------------------|
| 1. British people are big                    | a. and sugary tea       |
| 2. a tradition in Britain to drink tea for   | b. at work              |
| 3. tea breaks                                | c. their favourite brew |
| 4. conducted a survey of more than 2,000 tea | d. sweet tooth          |
| 5. people chose green tea as                 | e. different occasions  |
| 6. Sales of traditional tea                  | f. their tea with sugar |
| 7. continue to decline                       | g. tea drinkers         |
| 8. Brits seem to love milky                  | h. in the U.K.          |
| 9. people sweeten                            | i. lovers               |
| 10. people with a                            | j. in popularity        |

# GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230427-breakfast-tea.html>

British people are (1) \_\_\_\_\_ tea drinkers. It is a tradition in Britain to drink tea for different occasions and reasons. People have it for breakfast, for when guests (2) \_\_\_\_\_, and for tea breaks at work. People even "have a cuppa" when they talk about their personal (3) \_\_\_\_\_. However, research from The Tea Group shows that herbal, fruit and other teas have become more (4) \_\_\_\_\_ than traditional English breakfast tea. Researchers conducted a (5) \_\_\_\_\_ of more than 2,000 tea lovers. Over half of people said their favourite tea was not the traditional (6) \_\_\_\_\_. Over a (7) \_\_\_\_\_ of people chose green tea as their favourite brew. Just over 20 per cent said Earl Grey was their (8) \_\_\_\_\_ one.

*problems*  
*survey*  
*number*  
*big*  
*fifth*  
*popular*  
*visit*  
*variety*

Sales of traditional tea in the U.K. have been (9) \_\_\_\_\_. Three years ago, a (10) \_\_\_\_\_ found that 54 per cent of Britons preferred English breakfast tea. The new research shows that breakfast tea is (11) \_\_\_\_\_ to continue to decline in popularity. The researchers found many other things about tea-drinking (12) \_\_\_\_\_ in the U.K. The biggest reason for drinking tea was to (13) \_\_\_\_\_. A quarter of Britons drink up to 10 cups a day. Brits seem to love (14) \_\_\_\_\_ and sugary tea. Around 85 per cent of people who drink Earl Grey and English breakfast put milk in it. Nearly 45 per cent of people (15) \_\_\_\_\_ their tea with sugar. Amazingly, people with a sweet (16) \_\_\_\_\_ put three teaspoons of sugar in their cup.

*sweeten*  
*likely*  
*relax*  
*declining*  
*tooth*  
*habits*  
*milky*  
*survey*

# LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230427-breakfast-tea.html>

- 1) It is a tradition in Britain to drink tea \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. for different occasion
  - b. for difference occasions
  - c. for different occasions
  - d. for different occasionally
- 2) herbal, fruit and other teas have \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. become more populate
  - b. become more popular
  - c. become more popularity
  - d. become more poplar
- 3) Over half of people said their favourite tea was not \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. the traditionally variety
  - b. the tradition variety
  - c. the traditional variety
  - d. the traditions variety
- 4) Over a fifth of people chose green tea as \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. their favourite blew
  - b. their favourite brew
  - c. their favourite blue
  - d. their favourite brow
- 5) Just over 20 per cent said Earl Grey was \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. their number one
  - b. their numeral one
  - c. their numb are one
  - d. their numb bar one
- 6) Sales of traditional tea in the U.K. \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. have been decline in
  - b. have been declining
  - c. have been reclining
  - d. have been recline in
- 7) research shows that breakfast tea is likely to continue to \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. decline on popularity
  - b. decline in popularity
  - c. decline at popularity
  - d. decline of popularity
- 8) The researchers found many other things about \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. tea-drink in habits
  - b. tea-drinker habits
  - c. tea-drinking habits
  - d. tea-dinking habits
- 9) Nearly 45 per cent of people \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. sweeter their tea
  - b. sweeten their tea
  - c. sweet in their tea
  - d. sweeting their tea
- 10) people with a sweet tooth put three teaspoons of sugar \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. in that cup
  - b. in their cup
  - c. in them cup
  - d. in there cup

# LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230427-breakfast-tea.html>

British people are (1) \_\_\_\_\_. It is a tradition in Britain to drink tea for different occasions and reasons. People have it for breakfast, for when guests visit, and (2) \_\_\_\_\_ at work. People even "have a cuppa" when they talk about their personal problems. However, research from The Tea Group shows that herbal, (3) \_\_\_\_\_ teas have become more popular than traditional English breakfast tea. Researchers conducted (4) \_\_\_\_\_ more than 2,000 tea lovers. Over half of people said their favourite tea was not (5) \_\_\_\_\_. Over a fifth of people chose green tea as their favourite brew. Just over 20 per cent said Earl Grey was (6) \_\_\_\_\_.

Sales of traditional tea in the U.K. (7) \_\_\_\_\_. Three years ago, a survey found that 54 per cent of Britons preferred English breakfast tea. The new research shows that breakfast tea is (8) \_\_\_\_\_ to decline in popularity. The researchers found many other things about tea-drinking habits in the U.K. The biggest reason for drinking tea (9) \_\_\_\_\_. A quarter of Britons drink up to 10 cups a day. Brits seem to love (10) \_\_\_\_\_ tea. Around 85 per cent of people who drink Earl Grey and English breakfast put (11) \_\_\_\_\_. Nearly 45 per cent of people sweeten their tea with sugar. Amazingly, people with (12) \_\_\_\_\_ put three teaspoons of sugar in their cup.



# COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230427-breakfast-tea.html>

1. Who does the article say are big tea drinkers?
2. What do British people talk about over a "cuppa"?
3. How many tea lovers were questioned in a survey?
4. What did a fifth of people say was their favourite brew?
5. What percentage of people in a survey preferred Earl Grey tea?
6. When did 54% of Britons prefer English breakfast tea?
7. What is the biggest reason for British people to drink tea?
8. How many cups of tea do 25% of Brits drink each day?
9. What do nearly 45% of Brits sweeten their tea with?
10. Who might put three teaspoons of sugar in their tea?

# MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230427-breakfast-tea.html>

- 1) Who does the article say are big tea drinkers?
  - a) Americans
  - b) British people
  - c) children
  - d) coffee lovers
- 2) What do British people talk about over a "cuppa"?
  - a) work
  - b) the weather
  - c) sport
  - d) their personal problems
- 3) How many tea lovers were questioned in a survey?
  - a) just under 2,000
  - b) exactly 2,000
  - c) more than 2,000
  - d) roughly 2,000
- 4) What did a fifth of people say was their favourite brew?
  - a) green tea
  - b) milk tea
  - c) chai
  - d) coffee
- 5) What percentage of people in a survey preferred Earl Grey tea?
  - a) 10%
  - b) 20%
  - c) 50%
  - d) 40%
- 6) When did 54% of Britons prefer English breakfast tea?
  - a) three years ago
  - b) four years ago
  - c) five years ago
  - d) six years ago
- 7) What is the biggest reason for British people to drink tea?
  - a) to socialize
  - b) to stop being thirsty
  - c) to relax
  - d) to stay healthy
- 8) How many cups of tea do 45% of Brits drink each day?
  - a) up to 10
  - b) six
  - c) 12
  - d) two or three
- 9) What do nearly 45% of Brits sweeten their tea with?
  - a) honey
  - b) artificial sweetener
  - c) syrup
  - d) sugar
- 10) Who might put three teaspoons of sugar in their tea?
  - a) old people
  - b) children
  - c) people with a sweet tooth
  - d) people who exercise

# ROLE PLAY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230427-breakfast-tea.html>

## **Role A – Tea**

You think tea is the best drink. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their drinks. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): milk, water or cola.

## **Role B – Milk**

You think milk is the best drink. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their drinks. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): tea, water or cola.

## **Role C – Water**

You think water is the best drink. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their drinks. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): milk, tea or cola.

## **Role D – Cola**

You think cola is the best drink. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their drinks. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): milk, water or tea.

# AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230427-breakfast-tea.html>

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

English	tea

- 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>• big</li><li>• work</li><li>• talk</li><li>• fruit</li><li>• half</li><li>• chose</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• sales</li><li>• 54</li><li>• continue</li><li>• biggest</li><li>• 10</li><li>• sweet</li></ul>
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# TEA SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230427-breakfast-tea.html>

Write five GOOD questions about tea 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.

# TEA 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 'tea'?
3. What do you think of tea?
4. Are you a big tea drinker?
5. What do you prefer to drink for breakfast?
6. What drink do you serve your guests?
7. What's the best kind of tea?
8. What do you think of green tea?
9. Which is better, tea or coffee?
10. What are the health benefits of tea?

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# TEA 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 'British'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. How important is tea in your life?
15. Is hot or iced tea best?
16. Is it OK to put milk and sugar in tea?
17. What's the best way to make a cup of tea?
18. How many cups of tea or coffee do you drink a day?
19. How much of a sweet tooth do you have?
20. What questions would you like to ask the researchers?

## 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/2304/230427-breakfast-tea.html>

British people are big tea (1) \_\_\_\_\_. It is a tradition in Britain to drink tea for different occasions and reasons. People have it for breakfast, for when (2) \_\_\_\_\_ visit, and for tea (3) \_\_\_\_\_ at work. People even "have a cuppa" when they talk about their personal problems. However, research from The Tea Group shows that herbal, fruit and other teas have become more (4) \_\_\_\_\_ than traditional English breakfast tea. Researchers conducted a survey of more than 2,000 tea lovers. Over half (5) \_\_\_\_\_ people said their favourite tea was not the traditional variety. Over a fifth of people chose green tea as their favourite (6) \_\_\_\_\_. Just over 20 per cent said Earl Grey was their number one.

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

- |     |             |              |                |               |
|-----|-------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|
| 1.  | (a) drinks  | (b) drinking | (c) drinkers   | (d) drunkards |
| 2.  | (a) guests  | (b) guts     | (c) gests      | (d) gusts     |
| 3.  | (a) breaks  | (b) rests    | (c) holidays   | (d) intervals |
| 4.  | (a) popular | (b) populate | (c) popularity | (d) polar     |
| 5.  | (a) at      | (b) to       | (c) on         | (d) of        |
| 6.  | (a) clue    | (b) grew     | (c) crew       | (d) brew      |
| 7.  | (a) Seals   | (b) Sails    | (c) Sells      | (d) Sales     |
| 8.  | (a) likes   | (b) liked    | (c) likelihood | (d) likely    |
| 9.  | (a) habits  | (b) veils    | (c) gowns      | (d) dresses   |
| 10. | (a) by      | (b) to       | (c) on         | (d) at        |
| 11. | (a) sugars  | (b) sugary   | (c) sugar      | (d) surgery   |
| 12. | (a) tooth   | (b) lip      | (c) tongue     | (d) gum       |



# SPELLING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230427-breakfast-tea.html>

## Paragraph 1

1. drink tea for different ocsainsco
2. for when sutegs visit
3. talk about their neplsaro problems
4. Researchers conducted a vsruey
5. the traditional ivryate
6. their favourite brew

## Paragraph 2

7. Britons feeeprrdr English breakfast tea
8. llekyi to continue
9. decline in olutypraip
10. tea-drinking bashti
11. A grutrea of Britons
12. people wnsetee their tea with sugar

# PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230427-breakfast-tea.html>

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

- ( ) day. Brits seem to love milky and sugary tea. Around 85 per cent of people who drink
- ( ) occasions and reasons. People have it for breakfast, for when guests visit, and for tea
- ( ) Sales of traditional tea in the U.K. have been declining. Three years ago, a survey found
- ( ) habits in the U.K. The biggest reason for drinking tea was to relax. A quarter of Britons drink up to 10 cups a
- ( ) problems. However, research from The Tea Group shows that herbal, fruit and other teas have become more
- ( ) breaks at work. People even "have a cuppa" when they talk about their personal
- ( ) fifth of people chose green tea as their favourite brew. Just over 20 per cent said Earl Grey was their number one.
- ( ) continue to decline in popularity. The researchers found many other things about tea-drinking
- ( ) Earl Grey and English breakfast put milk in it. Nearly 45 per cent of people sweeten
- ( **1** ) British people are big tea drinkers. It is a tradition in Britain to drink tea for different
- ( ) that 54 per cent of Britons preferred English breakfast tea. The new research shows that breakfast tea is likely to
- ( ) their tea with sugar. Amazingly, people with a sweet tooth put three teaspoons of sugar in their cup.
- ( ) survey of more than 2,000 tea lovers. Over half of people said their favourite tea was not the traditional variety. Over a
- ( ) popular than traditional English breakfast tea. Researchers conducted a

# PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230427-breakfast-tea.html>

1. Britain drink It's tradition in to a tea .
2. more popular . have other Fruit and teas become
3. A of more 2,000 survey tea than lovers .
4. tea Their was not the favourite traditional variety .
5. chose tea People their as green favourite brew .
6. tea to likely is continue Breakfast to decline .
7. to up Britons 10 drink a cups day .
8. to Brits milky love seem and sugary tea .
9. 45 per of Nearly sweeten people cent their tea .
10. of teaspoons Put sugar three their in cup .

# CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2304/230427-breakfast-tea.html>

British people are big tea *drinks / drinkers*. It is a tradition in Britain to drink tea for different *occasion / occasions* and reasons. People have it for breakfast, for when guests visit, and for tea breaks *at / on* work. People even "have a cuppa" when they talk about their personal *problem / problems*. However, research from The Tea Group shows that herbal, fruit and other teas have become *more / much* popular than traditional English breakfast tea. Researchers conducted *the / a* survey of more than 2,000 tea *lovers / loves*. Over half *on / of* people said their favourite tea was not the traditional variety. Over a *fifth / five* of people chose green tea as their favourite brew. Just over 20 per cent said Earl Grey was their number *once / one*.

Sales of traditional tea *in / at* the U.K. have been declining. Three years ago, a survey found that 54 per cent of Britons *preference / preferred* English breakfast tea. The new research shows that breakfast tea is *likely / likeable* to continue to decline *in / on* popularity. The researchers found many *other / another* things about tea-drinking habits in the U.K. The biggest reason for drinking tea *was / takes* to relax. A quarter of Britons drink up to 10 cups *a / the* day. Brits seem to love milky and sugary tea. Around 85 per cent of people who drink Earl Grey and English breakfast put milk *on / in* it. Nearly 45 per cent of people *sweeten / sweet* their tea with sugar. Amazingly, people with a *sweet / sour* tooth put three teaspoons of sugar in their cup.

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

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

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# PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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# 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. TEA:** Make a poster about tea. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

**4. TEA BREAKS:** Write a magazine article about all companies having tea breaks so workers can relax. 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 tea. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your opinions of tea. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

# ANSWERS

## VOCABULARY (p.4)

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

## TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- 1 T    2 T    3 F    4 T    5 T    6 F    7 F    8 T

## SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. g	2. d	3. i	4. b	5. f
6. h	7. a	8. c	9. j	10. e

## COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. British people
2. Their personal problems
3. More than 2,000
4. Green tea
5. 20%
6. Three years ago
7. To relax
8. Up to 10
9. Sugar
10. People with a sweet tooth

## WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.19)

1. It's a tradition in Britain to drink tea.
2. Fruit and other teas have become more popular.
3. A survey of more than 2,000 tea lovers.
4. Their favourite tea was not the traditional variety.
5. People chose green tea as their favourite brew.
6. Breakfast tea is likely to continue to decline.
7. Britons drink up to 10 cups a day.
8. Brits seem to love milky and sugary tea.
9. Nearly 45 per cent of people sweeten their tea.
10. Put three teaspoons of sugar in their cup.

## MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

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

## ALL OTHER EXERCISES

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