

A2+/B1 Vocabulary multiple-choice cloze

New EU law requires replaceable batteries in devices

Future 1. _____ of battery-powered gaming systems will be more 2. _____-friendly thanks to a new European Union law. Starting from 2027, batteries in systems like the Nintendo Switch and Valve's Steam Deck must not be impossible to be swapped by the player. The batteries currently in such devices are unable to be taken out without inconvenient 3. _____ help.

The new rule is designed to reduce the environmental 4. _____ of non-recycled batteries. In a statement given by the European Council, they said that "batteries contain many 5. _____ resources and we must be able to reuse those critical raw materials". The 6. _____ they give is not unclear. They say that a battery should be easily "removeable and replaceable" with the use of "commercially available tools".

While this rule does not apply 7. _____, it is unlikely that game companies would develop a non-standard model of their popular systems just for Europe. It is unknown at what stage the next Nintendo system is in 8. _____ and how it might be affected. In addition, Sony also recently 9. _____ details on their new Project Q, a device not too dissimilar to the Switch. As a result, Sony might be 10. _____ to rethink their new system for release in the European market too.

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| 1. A. generally | B. generations | C. powers | D. powerfully |
| 2. A. user | B. used | C. usage | D. useless |
| 3. A. employee | B. professor | C. educational | D. professional |
| 4. A. waste | B. fasten | C. tasty | D. taste |
| 5. A. valuable | B. unpleasant | C. trendy | D. scientific |
| 6. A. defined | B. definite | C. definition | D. definitely |
| 7. A. worldwide | B. worldly | C. wildly | D. wide |
| 8. A. decision | B. divide | C. decide | D. development |
| 9. A. processed | B. served | C. provided | D. stole |
| 10. A. freeze | B. formed | C. frame | D. forced |

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Answers

1B generations

2A user

3D professional

4A waste

5A valuable

6C definition

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9C provided

10D forced

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