

## B2+/C1 Vocabulary multiple-choice cloze

### UK trial modified cameras to end noisy vehicles

A new type of traffic camera that 1. \_\_\_\_\_ noisy vehicles has been trialled in the UK. The “noise cameras” catch illegally-loud sounds coming from modified 2. \_\_\_\_\_ or supercars and motorbikes revving their engines. The acoustic cameras have microphones specially fitted and capture the 3. \_\_\_\_\_ and sound level of the vehicle. If the sound detected exceeds the legal limit of 74 decibels, then a 4. \_\_\_\_\_ is automatically sent to the driver.

Alongside the trial was a 5. \_\_\_\_\_ commissioned by the RAC (Royal Automobile Club) to gather drivers’ thoughts on the cameras. Of those 6. \_\_\_\_\_, almost 60% were in favour of them, but around 20% were against the new detection cameras, while the last 20% were undecided. Those who fail to 7. \_\_\_\_\_ with the legal noise limit face a £50 fine, which around 40% of drivers felt was in proportion to the offence committed. Others felt that 8. \_\_\_\_\_ should face a steeper fine and a temporary ban if they breach the rules.

The survey revealed that around a third of the UK regularly hear unnecessarily loud vehicle noises. According to the government up to £10 billion a year is lost in 9. \_\_\_\_\_ at work due to disturbed sleep and other resulting health problems. The RAC said they want the trialled cameras in the worst areas affected, and “the sooner effective camera 10. \_\_\_\_\_ can be put in place the better”.

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| 1. A. rejects      | B. inspects     | C. detects     | D. ejects      |
| 2. A. exhausts     | B. accelerators | C. brakes      | D. satnavs     |
| 3. A. numeral      | B. volume       | C. settings    | D. numberplate |
| 4. A. good         | B. nice         | C. fine        | D. sure        |
| 5. A. speciality   | B. survey       | C. sully       | D. storey      |
| 6. A. tolled       | B. prompts      | C. stamps      | D. polled      |
| 7. A. comply       | B. imply        | C. opt in      | D. opt out     |
| 8. A. chauffeurs   | B. motorists    | C. couriers    | D. motorcades  |
| 9. A. productivity | B. photography  | C. perception  | D. priceless   |
| 10. A. force       | B. contribution | C. enforcement | D. tribute     |

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#### Answers

- 1C detects
- 2A exhausts
- 3D numberplate
- 4C fine
- 5B survey
- 6D polled
- 7A comply
- 8B motorists
- 9A productivity
- 10C enforcement

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