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## **Level 1**

# **Money makes you a bad person**

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# THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1503/150320-wealth-1.html>

A professor says having a lot of money makes you bad. He spent ten years studying the personalities of rich people. Their behaviour was very different to poor people's behaviour. The professor said rich people break rules and laws, and do not care about others. He also said they cheat more at games. He said wealth makes you think only about yourself, your goals and things you want. These are the most important things in life for rich people.

The professor said poorer people are more generous than rich people. They give one-and-a-half times more of their money to help others. He said the richer you are, the less generous you are. Rich people can change and become nicer and more generous. They can help others more if they know that giving and helping is good. The professor said when rich people know how good giving is, they will give as much to others as poor people.

Sources: <http://thenewdaily.com.au/money/2015/03/17/money-makes-mean/>  
<http://www.bbc.com/news/magazine-31761576>  
<http://www.mirror.co.uk/money/could-money-make-you-mean-5350109>

# VOCABULARY MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1503/150320-wealth-1.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

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|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. having a lot of money | a. of rich people     |
| 2. He spent              | b. more at games      |
| 3. the personalities     | c. rules and laws     |
| 4. Their behaviour was   | d. about yourself     |
| 5. rich people break     | e. makes you bad      |
| 6. they cheat            | f. very different     |
| 7. think only            | g. things in life     |
| 8. the most important    | h. ten years studying |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

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|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. poorer people are            | a. generous you are |
| 2. one-and-a-                   | b. money            |
| 3. more of their                | c. half times       |
| 4. the richer you are, the less | d. helping is good  |
| 5. nicer and more               | e. much to others   |
| 6. giving and                   | f. more generous    |
| 7. rich people know how         | g. generous         |
| 8. give as                      | h. good giving is   |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The professor said poorer people (7) \_\_\_\_\_ than rich people. They give (8) \_\_\_\_\_ more of their money to help others. He said (9) \_\_\_\_\_, the less generous you are. Rich people can change and become nicer and more generous. They can help others (10) \_\_\_\_\_ that giving and helping is good. The professor said when rich people know (11) \_\_\_\_\_, they will give (12) \_\_\_\_\_ as poor people.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

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

a)

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b)

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c)

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d)

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e)

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f)

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g)

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h)

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

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

a)

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b)

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c)

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e)

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