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Metal detecting finds ancient treasure in U.K.

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201215-metal-detecting.html>

The British Museum in the U.K. has reported record levels of historical discoveries this year. People have found more than 47,000 objects with metal detectors. Metal detecting is a big hobby in the U.K. Many people go out in the countryside to try and find old coins and other treasure. This year, more people have been metal detecting. This is because of the coronavirus. Metal detecting is a good hobby that means social distancing is very easy. People have been recording their finds on an app on the British Museum's website. The U.K. Culture Minister said: "It is brilliant to see the [app] growing from strength to strength during lockdown thanks to garden discoveries and digital reporting."

The British Museum said people have dug up many exciting and interesting things this year. Perhaps the best find among the new discoveries are two hoards of coins. One of the hoards contained 50 South African solid gold coins found 50 miles northwest of London. The other coin hoard contained gold coins and one silver coin featuring the British kings Edward IV and Henry VIII. Experts believe they were buried in the 16th century. Another find was an ancient Roman furniture fitting made of copper. It featured the face of the god Oceanus and dates to AD 43-200. The British Museum said the app, "ensures finds, important for understanding Britain's past, are not lost but instead recorded".

Sources: <https://edition.cnn.com/style/article/lockdown-garden-archaeology-trnd/index.html>
<https://nypost.com/2020/12/11/british-gardeners-find-archeological-gems-during-quarantine/>
<https://www.ancient-origins.net/news-history-archaeology/tudor-coins-0014657>

WARM-UPS

1. TREASURE: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about treasure. 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 / museum / record / discoveries / hobby / countryside / treasure / brilliant / app / coins / gold / silver / ancient / furniture / face / important / understanding

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

3. TREASURE: Students A **strongly** believe it is very important to find ancient treasure to understand our past; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. MY COUNTRY'S PAST: What do you know about your country 1,000 years ago? 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
Food		
Archaeology		
Music		
Literature		
Fashion		
Technology		

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

6. HISTORICAL TIMES: Rank these with your partner. Put the most interesting historical times at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- 20th century
- 19th century
- 18th century
- 17th century
- 10th century
- 1st century
- The Stone Age
- The age of the dinosaurs

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|----------------|--|
| 1. record | a. A quantity of precious metals, gems, or other valuable objects. |
| 2. historical | b. The action or process of discovering or being found for the first time. |
| 3. discovery | c. Belonging to the past, not the present. |
| 4. countryside | d. The state of telling people to stay at home and not go out during a pandemic. |
| 5. treasure | e. The best performance or best event of its kind. |
| 6. brilliant | f. The land and scenery of a rural area. |
| 7. lockdown | g. Really, really great. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|---------------|---|
| 8. dug up | h. A person who has a lot of knowledge of or skill in a particular area. |
| 9. hoard | i. Find out when something happened or started. |
| 10. solid | j. Large movable equipment, such as tables and chairs, used to make a house, office, or other space suitable for living or working. |
| 11. expert | k. A store of old coins or other valuable things. |
| 12. furniture | l. Gone by in time and no longer existing; history. |
| 13. date | m. Took something out that was under the ground. |
| 14. past | n. Consisting of the same substance all the way through. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201215-metal-detecting.html>

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

- a. A man in the U.K. found 47,000 historical objects. **T / F**
- b. Metal detecting is a popular hobby in the U.K. **T / F**
- c. Coronavirus has increased the popularity of metal detecting. **T / F**
- d. The U.K. Culture Minister said a discovery was brilliant. **T / F**
- e. The article says the best finds were probably two hoards of coins. **T / F**
- f. A silver coin was found with the face of a British queen on it. **T / F**
- g. A furniture fitting was found with a picture of the god Oceanus on it. **T / F**
- h. The British Museum said it is important to understand the UK's future. **T / F**

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

- | | |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 1. discoveries | a. makes certain |
| 2. treasure | b. noting |
| 3. hobby | c. included |
| 4. recording | d. excellent |
| 5. brilliant | e. very old |
| 6. dug out | f. riches |
| 7. contained | g. history |
| 8. ancient | h. finds |
| 9. ensures | i. excavated |
| 10. past | j. leisure activity |

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

- | | |
|---|------------------------------|
| 1. record levels | a. distancing |
| 2. People have found more | b. hobby in the U.K. |
| 3. Metal detecting is a big | c. past |
| 4. social | d. to strength |
| 5. growing from strength | e. in the 16th century |
| 6. Perhaps the best find among | f. of historical discoveries |
| 7. solid gold | g. furniture |
| 8. Experts believe they were buried | h. coins |
| 9. ancient Roman | i. than 47,000 objects |
| 10. important for understanding Britain's | j. the new discoveries |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201215-metal-detecting.html>

The British Museum in the U.K. has reported record (1) _____ of historical discoveries this year. People have found more than 47,000 (2) _____ with metal detectors. Metal detecting is a big hobby in the U.K. Many people go out in the countryside to try and find old coins and other (3) _____. This year, more people have been metal detecting. This is because of the coronavirus. Metal detecting is a good hobby that means (4) _____ distancing is very easy. People have been recording their finds on an (5) _____ on the British Museum's (6) _____. The U.K. Culture Minister said: "It is brilliant to see the [app] growing from (7) _____ to strength during lockdown thanks to garden discoveries and (8) _____ reporting."

website
social
digital
objects
strength
levels
app
treasure

The British Museum said people have (9) _____ up many exciting and interesting things this year. Perhaps the best find (10) _____ the new discoveries are two hoards of coins. One of the hoards contained 50 South African solid gold coins found 50 miles (11) _____ of London. The other coin hoard contained gold coins and one silver coin (12) _____ the British kings Edward IV and Henry VIII. Experts believe they were (13) _____ in the 16th century. Another find was an ancient Roman (14) _____ fitting made of copper. It featured the face of the god Oceanus and dates to AD 43-200. The British Museum said the (15) _____, "ensures finds, important for understanding Britain's past, are not lost but (16) _____ recorded".

buried
instead
northwest
furniture
dug
featuring
among
app

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

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- 1) The British Museum in the U.K. has reported record levels of _____
 - a. historical discover seas
 - b. historical discovery
 - c. historical discoveries
 - d. history call discoveries
- 2) People have found more than 47,000 objects with _____
 - a. metallic detectors
 - b. meet all detectors
 - c. metal detectors
 - d. met all detractors
- 3) people go out in the countryside to try and find old coins _____
 - a. and others treasure
 - b. and other treasure
 - c. and another treasure
 - d. end other treasure
- 4) Metal detecting is a good hobby that means social distancing _____
 - a. is very easily
 - b. is very easy
 - c. is verily easy
 - d. is verily easily
- 5) brilliant to see the [app] growing from strength to strength _____
 - a. during locks down
 - b. daring lockdown
 - c. during lockdown
 - d. during locked down
- 6) The British Museum said people have dug up many exciting _____
 - a. and interest in things
 - b. and interesting thing
 - c. end interest in things
 - d. end interesting things
- 7) Perhaps the best find among the new discoveries are two _____
 - a. hoards of coins
 - b. boards of coins
 - c. heads of coins
 - d. herds of coins
- 8) The other coin hoard contained gold coins and one silver coin _____ British kings
 - a. feature in the
 - b. feature ring the
 - c. featuring in the
 - d. featuring the
- 9) Experts believe they were buried in _____
 - a. the 16th centuries
 - b. the 16 century
 - c. the 16 centuries
 - d. the 16th century
- 10) It featured the face of the god Oceanus _____ AD 43-200
 - a. and dates to
 - b. and days to
 - c. and date to
 - d. and updates to

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201215-metal-detecting.html>

1. How many historical discoveries were there?
2. What does the article say is a big hobby in the UK?
3. Why has metal detecting increased in popularity?
4. What does metal detecting make it easy to do?
5. How did a UK minister say an app was growing?
6. How many hoards of coins were found?
7. How many South African coins were found?
8. How many British kings were mentioned in the article?
9. What was an ancient Roman furniture fitting made of?
10. What does the British Museum say the finds can help us understand?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201215-metal-detecting.html>

- 1) How many historical discoveries were there?
 - a) exactly 47,000
 - b) less than 47,000
 - c) around 47,000
 - d) more than 47,000
- 2) What does the article say is a big hobby in the UK?
 - a) treasure hunting
 - b) metal detecting
 - c) walking in the countryside
 - d) coin collecting
- 3) Why has metal detecting increased in popularity?
 - a) there are more gold coins
 - b) cheaper equipment
 - c) metal is popular
 - d) coronavirus
- 4) What does metal detecting make it easy to do?
 - a) walk in the countryside
 - b) get rich
 - c) social distance
 - d) find lost keys
- 5) How did a UK minister say an app was growing?
 - a) from record to record
 - b) from height to height
 - c) from here to there
 - d) from strength to strength
- 6) How many hoards of coins were found?
 - a) 4
 - b) 3
 - c) 2
 - d) 1
- 7) How many South African coins were found?
 - a) 50
 - b) 60
 - c) 70
 - d) 80
- 8) How many British kings were mentioned in the article?
 - a) 4
 - b) 3
 - c) 2
 - d) 1
- 9) What was an ancient Roman furniture fitting made of?
 - a) silver
 - b) copper
 - c) gold
 - d) iron
- 10) What does the British Museum say the finds can help us understand?
 - a) Britain's past
 - b) coins
 - c) metal detectors
 - d) gods

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – 20th Century

You think the 20th century is the most interesting period of history. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their periods. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): 19th century, the Stone Age or the age of the dinosaurs.

Role B – 19th Century

You think the 19th century is the most interesting period of history. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their periods. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): 20th century, the Stone Age or the age of the dinosaurs.

Role C – The Stone Age

You think the Stone Age is the most interesting period of history. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their periods. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): 19th century, 20th century or the age of the dinosaurs.

Role D – The Age Of The Dinosaurs

You think the age of the dinosaurs is the most interesting period of history. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their periods. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): 19th century, the Stone Age or 20th century.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201215-metal-detecting.html>

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

museum	coin
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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">• record• big• countryside• social• recording• growing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• dug• best• other• buried• face• lost
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TREASURE SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201215-metal-detecting.html>

Write five GOOD questions about treasure 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.

TREASURE 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 'coin'?
3. What do you think of museums?
4. What is your favourite museum?
5. What do you think of metal detecting?
6. Have you ever found something valuable?
7. What do you like to do in the countryside?
8. How important are historical discoveries?
9. What treasure do you like?
10. Would you like to visit the British Museum?

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TREASURE 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 'museum'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. Would you like to go digging for old things?
15. Who should keep the old coins?
16. What do you know about British kings?
17. What parts of your country's history are you interested in?
18. What do you think life was like in AD43?
19. How important is it to record the past?
20. What questions would you like to ask the metal detectors?

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

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

- | | | | | |
|-----|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) report | (b) reports | (c) reporting | (d) reported |
| 2. | (a) fund | (b) fend | (c) find | (d) found |
| 3. | (a) on | (b) in | (c) at | (d) of |
| 4. | (a) due | (b) however | (c) because | (d) thus |
| 5. | (a) on | (b) in | (c) at | (d) as |
| 6. | (a) strength | (b) strengthen | (c) strong | (d) strongest |
| 7. | (a) in | (b) of | (c) along | (d) up |
| 8. | (a) contained | (b) contents | (c) container | (d) content |
| 9. | (a) futures | (b) featuring | (c) fattening | (d) fathering |
| 10. | (a) of | (b) at | (c) in | (d) to |
| 11. | (a) years | (b) calendars | (c) dates | (d) times |
| 12. | (a) inside | (b) instead | (c) instep | (d) instant |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. record levels of osicalhirt discoveries
2. go out in the dtrionscuye
3. lcisoa distancing
4. edrgrocin their finds on an app
5. It is lanrlbiti to see
6. dialgti reporting

Paragraph 2

7. igtcxein and interesting
8. two shdaor of coins
9. they were buried in the 16th cntreuy
10. ancient Roman ftrruniue
11. It ufreetda the face of the god Oceanus
12. not lost but tesdani recorded

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201215-metal-detecting.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () year, more people have been metal detecting. This is because of the coronavirus. Metal detecting is a good hobby that means social
- () for understanding Britain's past, are not lost but instead recorded".
- () in the U.K. Many people go out in the countryside to try and find old coins and other treasure. This
- () find was an ancient Roman furniture fitting made of copper. It featured the face of the god
- (**1**) The British Museum in the U.K. has reported record levels of historical discoveries this year. People have
- () distancing is very easy. People have been recording their finds on an app on the British Museum's
- () northwest of London. The other coin hoard contained gold coins and one silver coin featuring the British
- () to strength during lockdown thanks to garden discoveries and digital reporting."
- () website. The U.K. Culture Minister said: "It is brilliant to see the [app] growing from strength
- () found more than 47,000 objects with metal detectors. Metal detecting is a big hobby
- () The British Museum said people have dug up many exciting and interesting things this year. Perhaps the best find among
- () Oceanus and dates to AD 43-200. The British Museum said the app, "ensures finds, important
- () kings Edward IV and Henry VIII. Experts believe they were buried in the 16th century. Another
- () the new discoveries are two hoards of coins. One of the hoards contained 50 South African solid gold coins found 50 miles

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. 47,000 found objects . than more People have
2. countryside . go in people the Many out
3. more year, have This metal people been detecting .
4. app . have People an recorded finds their on
5. from the strength app See growing to strength .
6. things . have dug and People up interesting exciting
7. the new best The discoveries . find among
8. hoard other coin The gold contained coins .
9. 16th were coins in The the buried century .
10. the god Oceanus . the featured face It of

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201215-metal-detecting.html>

The British Museum in the U.K. has *repeated* / *reported* record levels of historical discoveries this year. People have *fund* / *found* more than 47,000 objects with metal *detectors* / *detects*. Metal detecting is a big hobby in the U.K. Many people go out *in* / *at* the countryside to try and find old coins and other treasure. This year, more people have *being* / *been* metal detecting. This is because of the coronavirus. Metal detecting is a *well* / *good* hobby that means social distancing is very *easily* / *easy*. People have been recording their finds on an app *on* / *in* the British Museum's website. The U.K. Culture Minister said: "It is brilliant to see the [app] *growth* / *growing* from strength to strength during lockdown *thanks* / *pleases* to garden discoveries and digital reporting."

The British Museum said people have *dug* / *dig* up many exciting and interesting things this year. Perhaps the best find *among* / *between* the new discoveries are two *hoards* / *boards* of coins. One of the hoards contained 50 South African *sold* / *solid* gold coins found 50 miles northwest of London. The other coin hoard *contents* / *contained* gold coins and one silver coin featuring the British kings Edward IV and Henry VIII. *Experts* / *Expats* believe they were buried in the 16th *century* / *country*. Another find was an ancient Roman furniture fitting *make* / *made* of copper. It featured the face of the god Oceanus and dates *to* / *of* AD 43-200. The British Museum said the app, "ensures finds, important for understanding Britain's past, are not lost but *instead* / *prefer* recorded".

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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Th_ Br_t_sh M_s__m _n th_ __K. h_s r_p_rt_d r_c_r_d
l_v_ls _f h_st_r_c_l d_sc_v_r__s th_s y__r. P__pl_
h_v_ f__nd m_r_ th_n 47,000 _bj_cts w_th m_t_l
d_t_ct_rs. M_t_l d_t_ct_ng _s _ b_g h_bby _n th_ __K.
M_ny p__pl_ g_ __t _n th_ c__ntrys_d_ t_ try _nd
f_nd _ld c__ns _nd _th_r tr__s_r_. Th_s y__r, m_r_
p__pl_ h_v_ b__n m_t_l d_t_ct_ng. Th_s _s b_c__s_ _f
th_ c_r_n_v_r_s. M_t_l d_t_ct_ng _s _ g__d h_bby th_t
m__ns s_c__l d_st_nc_ng _s v_ry __sy. P__pl_ h_v_
b__n r_c_r_d_ng th__r f_nds _n _n _pp _n th_ Br_t_sh
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Th_ Br_t_sh M_s__m s__d p__pl_ h_v_ d_g _p m_ny
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th_ b_st f_nd _m_ng th_ n_w d_sc_v_r__s _r_ tw_
h__rds _f c__ns. _n_ _f th_ h__rds c_nt__n_d 50
S__th _fr_c_n s_l_d g_ld c__ns f__nd 50 m_l_s
n_rthw_st _f L_nd_n. Th_ _th_r c__n h__rd c_nt__n_d
g_ld c__ns _nd _n_ s_lv_r c__n f__t_r_ng th_ Br_t_sh
k_ngs _dw_r_d _V _nd H_nry V___. _xp_rts b_l__v_
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Br_t__n's p_st, _r_ n_t l_st b_t _nst__d r_c_r_d_d".

PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/201215-metal-detecting.html>

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the british museum said people have dug up many exciting and interesting things this year perhaps the best find among the new discoveries are two hoards of coins one of the hoards contained 50 south african solid gold coins found 50 miles northwest of london the other coin hoard contained gold coins and one silver coin featuring the british kings edward iv and henry viii experts believe they were buried in the 16th century another find was an ancient roman furniture fitting made of copper it featured the face of the god oceanus and dates to ad 43200 the british museum said the app ensures finds important for understanding britains past are not lost but instead recorded

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. TREASURE: Make a poster about treasure. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. NATIONAL HISTORY: Write a magazine article about all historical treasure people find belonging to the nation and not the finder. 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 treasure. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your ideas on what to do with ancient treasure that people find. 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. m 9. k 10. n 11. h 12. j 13. i 14. l

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

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

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

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

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. More than 47,000
2. Metal detecting
3. Because of coronavirus
4. Social distancing
5. From strength to strength
6. Two
7. Fifty
8. Two
9. Copper
10. Britain's past

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

1. People have found more than 47,000 objects.
2. Many people go out in the countryside.
3. This year, more people have been metal detecting.
4. People have recorded their finds on an app.
5. See the app growing from strength to strength.
6. People have dug up exciting and interesting things.
7. The best find among the new discoveries.
8. The other coin hoard contained gold coins.
9. The coins were buried in the 16th century.
10. It featured the face of the god Oceanus.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

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

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

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