



INVESTICE DO ROZVOJE VZDĚLÁVÁNÍ

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### Social Issues

#### 1 Match the contemporary issues with the extracts from the newspaper reports.

sexual discrimination 1 \_\_\_\_\_

drug abuse 2 \_\_\_\_\_

homelessness 3 \_\_\_\_\_

racism 4 \_\_\_\_\_

animal rights 5 \_\_\_\_\_

unemployment 6 \_\_\_\_\_

A The Government is becoming worried about the number of teenagers sleeping rough on the streets in London. Many of them are in danger of becoming involved with drugs and prostitution.

B Liverpool police are investigating after a young black student was attacked by a group of white youths last night. They believe the attack was racially motivated.

C Statistics show that 20% of teenagers in the area are regularly using heroin. Police believe that at least half of the crime in the area is drug-related.

D Job-seekers face difficulties on the labour market. Hundreds of thousands of secondary school and university graduates look in vain for their first full-time job.

E Mrs Hill claims that she was denied promotion after she had told colleagues she was planning to have a baby.

F A number of people were arrested today during a protest outside a laboratory where they say scientists are testing cosmetics on mice.

#### 2 Complete the sentences below with words from the extracts above. Explain the expressions.

1 More and more young people are sleeping \_\_\_\_\_ on the streets.

2 A lot of crime in the area is drug-\_\_\_\_\_.

3 Homeless youngsters can easily become \_\_\_\_\_ with drugs and prostitution.

4 Graduates look \_\_\_\_\_ for their first full-time job.

5 Police believe that the attack was \_\_\_\_\_ motivated.

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### 3 Match the words to make collocations.

- |                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| 1 mainstream    | A relations      |
| 2 illegal       | B areas          |
| 3 human         | C culture        |
| 4 single-parent | D community      |
| 5 race          | E immigrant      |
| 6 ethnic        | F discrimination |
| 7 inner-city    | G families       |
| 8 the gay       | H partnership    |
| 9 positive      | I rights         |
| 10 registered   | J minorities     |

### 4 Use the collocations from the exercise above to complete the sentences.

- 1 A recent report confirms that schools in \_\_\_\_\_ have the worst exam results.
- 2 In some countries people are denied basic \_\_\_\_\_ like free speech.
- 3 Many of our social problems are blamed on the growing number of \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 People who live in \_\_\_\_\_ have similar status to marriage, so they can bring up children, and access the same legal and social benefits like married couples.
- 5 Anarchism, veganism and the punk subculture offer alternatives to \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 I don't think that \_\_\_\_\_ is just about filling quotas. It gives opportunities to people who might be treated unfairly.
- 7 Local authorities are working to improve \_\_\_\_\_ after a number of recent incidents involving black and white youths.
- 8 Members of the \_\_\_\_\_ have been warned to take extra care after a rise in the number of homophobic attacks in the area.
- 9 Senior police officers, concerned that there so few black and Asian officers, are hoping that that a new campaign will attract more people from \_\_\_\_\_ to join the force.
- 10 If the authorities find out that a person is a/an \_\_\_\_\_, they will be deported immediately.

### 5 Discuss your opinion on the above-mentioned issues. How do you and your classmates feel about them?

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### 6 Fill in each gap with an unscrambled word. The first and last letters are in the right positions.

REUFGE	IEUAINQLTY	XEOOINPHBC	GOAIAIOLBLSTN	MIOINRTY
IOAGNRNCE	CUOSTMS	PEAEIEICKPNG	IOEANTLRNCE	IEAIONTGRTN

- The United Nations have decided to send \_\_\_\_\_ troops to the region because both sides threatened to start fighting.
- As a result of \_\_\_\_\_ the same brands are sold all over the world.
- Racial prejudice often stems from \_\_\_\_\_. People could be more tolerant if they knew more about different cultures.
- Hundreds of people fled the area of conflict and sought \_\_\_\_\_ in a neighbouring country.
- \_\_\_\_\_ into society might prove difficult for members of ethnic minorities, especially if they have radically different values and traditions.
- Martin Luther King fought for the elimination of \_\_\_\_\_ between races. He demanded the same rights for everyone.
- There's a Polish minority in the region, and they hold various cultural events.
- Many villagers in this distant region still keep the local \_\_\_\_\_.
- Why do hate foreigners so much? Aren't you a little \_\_\_\_\_.
- Unfortunately, it could be very difficult to root out \_\_\_\_\_ towards minorities in society.

### 7 Read about the charity appeals and fill in the gaps in the texts with missing words.

prison rights publicizing members Nobel free governments independent

#### Amnesty International

Amnesty International is a 1\_\_\_\_\_ Prize-winning organization that works to support human 2\_\_\_\_\_ around the world. It is 3\_\_\_\_\_ of any government or political party and has over a million 4\_\_\_\_\_ in 162 countries. Amnesty International works to 5\_\_\_\_\_ all prisoners of conscience anywhere in the world. These are people who are in 6\_\_\_\_\_ because of their beliefs, colour, ethnic origin, language, or religion. Amnesty International tries to help these prisoners in two ways: first, by 7\_\_\_\_\_ their cases and, second, by putting pressure on 8\_\_\_\_\_ to practise human rights.

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species

animals

pollution

conservation

global

parks

### World Wide Fund

WWF is the world's leading 9\_\_\_\_\_ organization. It is dedicated to protecting wild 10\_\_\_\_\_ around the world and the places where these animals live. WWF directs its conservation efforts towards three 11\_\_\_\_\_ goals. Firstly, it strives to safeguard the natural world, e.g. by saving endangered 12\_\_\_\_\_ like the black rhino or the giant panda. Secondly, it works to establish and manage national 13\_\_\_\_\_ and wildlife reserves around the world. Thirdly, it takes action against global threats to our environment, such as 14\_\_\_\_\_ and climate change.

supplying

search

pound

famine

depend

rained

supplies

drops

### Crisis Now!

Drought and 15\_\_\_\_\_ have come to Africa again this year, just as they have every year for the past twenty years. In some parts of Africa it hasn't 16\_\_\_\_\_ for three years. There have been no crops, and the animals which many people 17\_\_\_\_\_ on died a long time ago. Refugees are pouring from the countryside into the towns in their desperate 18\_\_\_\_\_ for food, and it has been estimated that over 1,000 people are dying every day. We are 19\_\_\_\_\_ towns and camps with food and medicine, but our efforts are 20\_\_\_\_\_ in the ocean. We need a hundred times more emergency 21\_\_\_\_\_, as well as doctors, nurses, blankets, tents, and clothes. Your help is needed now before it is too late. Please give all you can. No 22\_\_\_\_\_ or penny will ever be better spent or more appreciated.

### 8 Imagine you have € 20,000 that you want to give to charity. Who would you give the money to? Why? Choose among following charities.

- a charity that helps homeless people
- animal rescue shelter
- cancer research
- a charity that helps elderly people with food and housing
- an organization that provides emergency supplies for disaster victims
- a charity that helps people with AIDS
- a hospice for dying people

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### Answer key:

- 1) 1E, 2C, 3A, 4B, 5F, 6D
- 2) 1 rough, 2 related, 3 involved, 4 in vain, 5 racially
- 3) 1C, 2E, 3I, 4G, 5A, 6J, 7B, 8D, 9F, 10H
- 4) 1 inner city areas; 2 human rights; 3 single-parent families; 4 registered partnership; 5 mainstream culture; 6 positive discrimination; 7 race relations; 8 gay community; 9 ethnic minority; 10 illegal immigrant
- 5) student's own answers
- 6) 1 peacekeeping, 2 globalisation, 3 ignorance, 4 refuge, 5 integration, 6 inequality, 7 minority, 8 customs, 9 xenophobic, 10 intolerance
- 7) 1 Nobel, 2 rights, 3 independence, 4 members, 5 free, 6 prison, 7 publicizing, 8 governments, 9 conservation, 10 animals, 11 global, 12 species, 13 parks, 14 pollution, 16 famine, 16 rained, 17 depend, 18 search, 19 supplying, 20 drops, 21 supplies, 22 pound
- 8) student's own answers

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