

recharger is very small – the same size as a mobile phone.

- 3 The solar charger has only two **main parts** ✓ – the charger, and a wire

which connects to your phone. This means that it's very easy to carry. The

solar charger **lets** ✓ you recharge your phone everywhere and at any

time of the day.

Listen to the same sentence spoken twice. Choose whether the sentence sounds enthusiastic the first time it is spoken (A) or the second time (B).

		A	B
		☒	☐
		☐	☒
		☒	☐
		☒	☐
		☐	☒



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UNIT 9: People Exercise 8: Describing function (2)

Listen to the talk. Complete the sentences with the words you hear.

- 1 This is a solar charger. It's ☒ recharging small devices, like mobile phones or MP3 players. It's ☒ lots of very small solar panels.

- 2 Solar panels are ☒ collecting energy from sunlight. Usually, these panels are ☒ get energy on large buildings, but this recharger is very small – the same size as a mobile phone.

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4 When he showed people a radio-controlled boat, they thought it was

magic



5 In 1934, a newspaper reported that Tesla was making a dangerous

weapon



, although this may not be true.

6 Now, some companies want to create a way to power laptops and phones

without using wires or

batteries



Listen to the talk and complete the sentences.

- 1 Tesla was very famous when he was alive
but died with no money ✓
- 2 When Tesla arrived in New York, he was very poor ✓
- 3 In the 1880s, electricity cost a lot of money ✓
- 4 Tesla developed early versions of X-rays ✓
- 5 No one really knows if ✓ he was developing weapons.
- 6 Tesla's ideas are still used today ✓



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Hint

UNIT 9: People Exercise 3: Taking notes

Listen to the talk and complete the notes with the correct words or numbers.

1 Nikola Tesla was born in ✓ in Serbia. He arrived in New York in

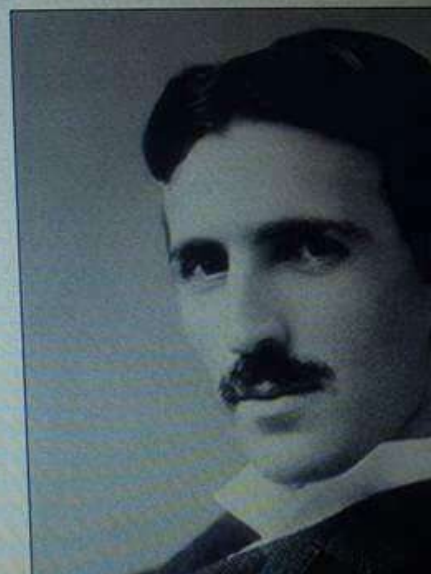
✓ and lived there until his death in ✓.

2 One of his most important, early inventions was for the New York public transport system. He showed that electricity could be used cheaply and

✓.

3 Tesla did a lot of early work with X-rays, and even took a photo of his own

✓.



Is the speaker showing enthusiasm?		Yes	No
▶ He was a fascinating man.	✓	☒	☐
▶ He quickly found a job with Thomas Edison, the inventor of the light bulb.	✓	☒	☐
▶ People thought it was magic and couldn't understand how the boat moved without anyone touching it.	✓	☐	☒
▶ No weapon was ever constructed, and we cannot find any designs.	✓	☐	☒
▶ However, Tesla showed how electricity can pass from one thing to another without hurting anyone.	✓	☒	☐
▶ It could happen, thanks to Tesla's ideas a hundred years ago.	✓	☐	☒

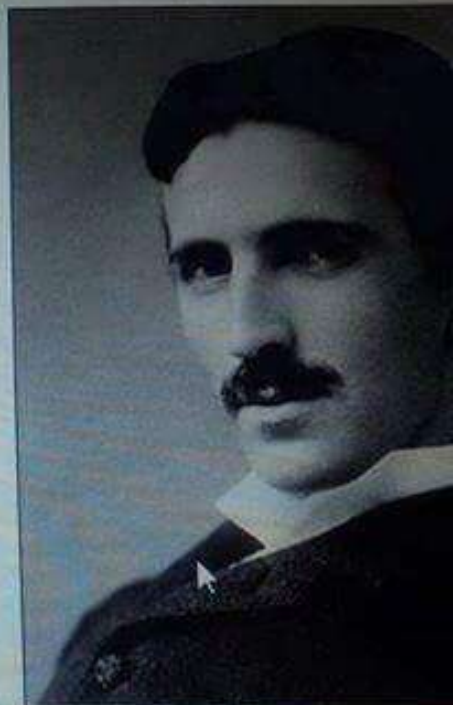


- 1 His story was not very believable ✓. I think he was lying. (believe)
- 2 If you want to be successful ✓ in life, you have to work hard. (succeed)
- 3 My wife was very comforting ✓ when I had some bad news and needed help. (comfort)
- 4 The hotel had a private swimming pool, large rooms, and was very relaxing ✓. (relax)
- 5 Most people were shocked ✓ when they heard the news. (shock)
- 6 The cost of living has increased – many things have become too expensive ✓ for normal people. (expense)
- 7 Most people say that they want their children to be happy ✓.

(happy/ness)

pictures and tick the topics you think will be mentioned. Then listen and check.

Invention		Yes	No
bicycles	✓	☐	☒
X-rays	✓	☒	☐
remote-controlled toys	✓	☒	☐
the telephone	✓	☐	☒
TV	✓	☐	☒
weapons	✓	☒	☐
the internet	✓	☐	☒
wi-fi	✓	☒	☐
laptops	✓	☒	☐



Complete the sentences with the correct words.

- 1 I was on holiday because I had nothing to do.
- 2 The film was very for a lot of people.
- 3 Nikola Tesla was an inventor who created many things.
- 4 It's that Tesla isn't more well-known today.
- 5 The job interview was very – it lasted nearly an hour.
- 6 I am by this new invention.



6 The cost of living has increased – many things have become too

✓ for normal people. (*expense*)

7 Most people say that they want their children to be ✓

(*happiness*)

8 It is important to be ✓ when talking to older people.

(*politeness*)

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These stairs have a

circular ✓ shape.



This necklace is

diamond ✓ shaped.



This coin is not r

ound ✓

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This ball is o

val ✓

5



These glasses are r

ectangular ✓

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This sign is t

riangular ✓

- 1 What is it? It's a battery charger. ✓
- 2 What is it made of? It's made of solar panels. They collect energy from the sun. ✓
- 3 What is it used for? It's used for recharging small machines, like mobile phones or MP3 players. ✓
- 4 What are the advantages? You can save money by using energy from the sun. ✓
- 5 What are the disadvantages? You need to live in a sunny place and you can't charge it at night. ✓
- 6 How big is it? It's the same size as your mobile phone. ✓

