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## Physics

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 **THE LISTENING TAPESCRIPT**

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I don't know how people understand physics. I think it's a fascinating subject and really wish I understood more. Physics seems to explain everything about our world and our universe. It's as though physics is the key to unlocking all of our world's mysteries. I really enjoyed studying physics at the beginning. It was interesting then. But then it got difficult and I couldn't understand the formulae. I have a lot of respect for physicists. They seem to be able to understand lots of really difficult things. Without them, we would still be living very basic lives. Physicists have sent people to the Moon. Their research has led to all of our modern technology. I always read fewer and fewer students are choosing to study physics. This is a shame.



## LISTENING GAP FILL

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

**STUDENT A's QUESTIONS** (Do not show these to student B)

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

**STUDENT B's QUESTIONS** (Do not show these to student A)

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# STUDENT PHYSICS SURVEY

From: <http://www.listenAminute.com/p/physics.html>

Write five GOOD questions about physics 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.





## **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 INFO:** Search the Internet and find more information about physics. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

**3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE:** Write a magazine article about physics. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

**4. PHYSICS POSTER** Make a poster about physics. Show it to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your posters.

**5. MY PHYSICS LESSON:** Make your own English lesson on physics. Make sure there is a good mix of things to do. Find some good online activities. Teach the class / another group when you have finished.

**6. ONLINE SHARING:** Use your blog, wiki, Facebook page, MySpace page, Twitter stream, Del-icio-us / StumbleUpon account, or any other social media tool to get opinions on physics. Share your findings with the class.

