

## TIẾNG ANH 9

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UNIT 12: READING: PRACTICEĐĂNG KÍ CHƯƠNG TRÌNH HỌC TRỰC TUYẾN TẠI [VINASTUDY.VN](http://VINASTUDY.VN) QUA 0932.39.39.56**Ex 1: Read the passage and complete the tasks that follow.****Black Friday**

Black Friday is the Friday which follows Thanksgiving Day. Black Friday is celebrated in the United States as an official beginning of the Christmas shopping season. On the day, most shops open extremely early and offer promotional sales to boost the consumption, which is similar to Boxing Day after Christmas Day in Britain and many Commonwealth nations. For years, it was quite usual for retailers to open their shops at 6:00 a.m., but in the late 2000s many opened at 5:00 a.m. or even 4:00 a.m. The year 2011 witnessed a new extreme when several retailers opened at midnight. For non-retailer employees, they may have a day off work or choose to take a day from their annual leave on Black Friday. Some use this to make trips to see family members or friends who live in other areas or to go on vacation. Others use it to start shopping for the Christmas season. Black Friday is not a federal holiday, but is a public holiday in California and some other states in the United States.

Black Friday, to the police, is not a term of endearment. The name of the day originated in Philadelphia where it was first used by the Police Department to describe massive traffic jams and over-crowded sidewalks as the downtown stores were **mobbed** from opening to closing. Nowadays, Black Friday crowds that are hunting for bargains still give the police headaches. However, retailers do not appreciate the negative connotation associated with Black Friday. Therefore, there exists another explanation as to why it is called Black Friday. As they might put it, the term Black Friday came from an old way of recording business accounts: losses were recorded in red ink and profits in black ink. Therefore, an alternative explanation was made that retailers traditionally operated at a financial loss, or "in the red", from January through November, and "Black Friday" indicates the point where retailers begin to turn a profit, or get "**in the black**". It goes without saying that Black Friday positively means a profitable Friday to the retail industry.

**A. Decide whether the following statements are True or False.**

1. Black Friday and Boxing Day are celebrated on the same day.

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2. Through time, many businesses have made their efforts to extend their opening time.

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3. It is common for retailers to take a day off on Black Friday.

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4. People take Black Friday off just to go shopping for Christmas season.

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5. Black Friday is made a state holiday in certain areas in the United States.

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**B. Choose the correct options (A, B, or C) for each of the following questions.**

6. What is TRUE about the origin of Black Friday?

A. It was coined by the police.

B. It was used to describe the offer of bargains in many retail stores.

C. It was originally made a holiday in Philadelphia in 1965.

7. The word “**mobbed**” in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_?

A. very crowded

B. filled with goods

C. sluggish

8. Why did retailers provide another explanation about Black Friday?

A. They wanted to avoid the bad meaning of the day.

B. They didn't appreciate Black Friday.

C. The previous meaning of Black Friday was wrong.

9. Retailers associated Black Friday with \_\_\_\_\_.

A. financial losses

B. red ink color

C. profits

10. The phrase “**in the black**” in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_?

A. unlucky

B. profitable

C. dressed in black

**c. Choose the words/ phrases to fill into their suitable blanks. There are THREE extra words/ phrases that will not be used.**

*maintain    bargain prices    increase    go shopping*  
*travel    nuisance    profits    holiday*

Black Friday, the day after Thanksgiving Day opens the Christmas shopping time in the United States. On the occasion, lots of businesses offer (11)\_\_\_\_\_in order to (12)\_\_\_\_\_the consumption of goods of American citizens. However, not all people go to seek bargains on Black Friday because a number of non-retailer employees use this time of the year to (13) \_\_\_\_\_. Black Friday means a (14) \_\_\_\_\_to the police as it causes mayhem on the streets and in the stores as well. In contrast, for the retail industry, it means (15) \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ex 2: Read the text and choose the correct answer to fill in the blank:**

Garbage is what someone leaves behind that they do not want to use anymore. It can also be called (1)\_\_\_\_\_ or rubbish. A definition of garbage is anything left behind at a place (2)\_\_\_\_\_ you used to be, but are not anymore. In modern home and businesses, however, garbage is normally separated and put where it can be (3)\_\_\_\_\_ and taken to a place designed to hold, burn, or recycle garbage.

Smoke is a cloud of very small, solid parts. It is made when (4)\_\_\_\_\_ something. Smoke can be bad because if it goes into the lungs of a person, it can kill them. Most people think that they are always able to see smoke, but it can also be (5)\_\_\_\_\_. (a thing that a person is not able to see)

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| 1.A. waste     | B. save      | C. safe        | D. stone      |
| 2.A. it        | B. that      | C. which       | D. where      |
| 3.A. wrapped   | B. organized | C. collected   | D. picked     |
| 4.A. firing    | B. fighting  | C. burning     | D. chopping   |
| 5.A. invisible | B. unmovable | C. unspeakable | D. insensible |