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Level 0 – 30th January 2025

New Zealand relaxes visa rules for "digital nomads"

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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There is good news if you want to work in New Zealand online. The country has a new visa. It lets visitors work online for a foreign employer. People staying for nine months have to pay tax. New Zealand's economic growth minister said: "We want...wealthy and super-talented people coming [through] the arrival gates."

New Zealand's economy suffered because of the Covid pandemic. Another thing that is hurting the economy is the many young people leaving the country. New Zealand hopes the new visitors will spend more money. This will help the economy. It also hopes they will fall in love with New Zealand.

Sources: <https://www.theguardian.com/world/2025/jan/28/new-zealand-relaxes-visa-rules-to-lure-digital-nomads-and-influencers>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| 1. There is good | a. employer |
| 2. if you want to | b. new visa |
| 3. The country has a | c. gates |
| 4. It lets visitors work | d. work |
| 5. a foreign | e. online |
| 6. have to pay | f. minister |
| 7. New Zealand's economic growth | g. news |
| 8. coming through the arrival | h. tax |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. New Zealand's economy | a. country |
| 2. because of the Covid | b. spend more money |
| 3. Another thing that is hurting | c. suffered |
| 4. many | d. with New Zealand |
| 5. leaving the | e. the economy |
| 6. the new visitors will | f. help the economy |
| 7. This will | g. young people |
| 8. they will fall in love | h. pandemic |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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There is (1) _____ you want to work in New Zealand online. The (2) _____ new visa. It lets (3) _____ for a foreign employer. People staying for nine months have (4) _____. New Zealand's _____ economic _____ growth _____ minister _____ said: "(5) _____ and super-talented people coming [through] (6) _____."

New Zealand's economy (7) _____ the Covid pandemic. Another thing (8) _____ the economy is the (9) _____ leaving the country. New Zealand (10) _____ visitors will spend more money. (11) _____ the economy. She also hopes they will fall (12) _____ New Zealand.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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WORKING ONLINE SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about working online 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.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

