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Current affairs and the economy

Worksheet

A Look at the questions, then write one more for each group.

1 Politics

I'm a bit out of touch. What's been happening in your country?
What do you think about the health care/education/unemployment policy in your country?
I've been reading a lot in the newspapers about _____. Can you tell me something about that?

2 Economy

So what are your main industries?
Do you have a problem with inflation?
What's the unemployment situation at the moment?
How is your Stock Market doing?

3 Market

What are the main factors that affect your market?
What's happening in your market at the moment?
How is your company doing?

B Make some notes about your own country and market. Use the ideas below and add more ideas of your own.

1 Politics

We have a _____ government at the moment. They are trying to _____
Public opinion changed when _____
These days people are worried about _____
In the future, _____

2 Economy

Older industries like _____ are being replaced by new areas like _____ and _____
We have a strong _____ industry, although it will have problems in the next few years because of _____
Inflation _____ Unemployment _____

3 Your own market

We're in a difficult market situation because _____
We're responding to the competition by _____
We're changing our product range and we're moving more into _____

C Use the questions in section A to find out about other people.