

5.1 Xavier and Yvonne are talking about Xavier's new job as a photocopier salesman. Complete the conversation, using words from A opposite.

- 1 X: I get paid every month.
Y: I see. You get a *salary*, not wages.
- 2 X: I usually have to work late: I don't get paid for it, but I get a percentage for every photocopier I sell.
Y: So you don't get, but you do get That's good.
- 3 X: The people in production get a if they reach their targets.
Y: Oh right. They get an extra payment for producing a certain amount.
- 4 X: The company pays for medical treatment too, and the company restaurant is fantastic.
Y: Wow! The sound very nice.
- 5 X: And they've given me a to go and visit clients.
Y: So you don't have to buy a car, then.
- 6 X: What's more, the company pays in money for us to get when we don't work any more.
Y: Yes, it's important to get a good
- 7 X: The total is brilliant.
Y: Yes, all that extra stuff is really worth having.

5.2 Which expressions from B and C opposite could be used to continue each of these newspaper extracts?

1 FAILED AIRLINE BOSS GETS MASSIVE PAYOUT
Shareholders are angry that despite very poor results, Blighty Airlines' CEO, Mr Rob Herring, is leaving with £3 million in his pocket. They say it is ridiculous to 'reward' bad performance with this sort of ...

(2 possible expressions)

3 MEGAFONE CEO GETS £10 MILLION 'THANK YOU' AFTER TAKEOVER
The directors of Megafone, the world's largest mobile phone company, yesterday voted to give Mr Chris Ladyman, its chief executive, a special payment of £10 million for negotiating the company's takeover of Minnemann. The directors referred to this as a ...

(1 possible expression)

2 MULTILEVER'S EXECUTIVE PAY
It was today revealed that Mr Carl Lang, head of consumer foods giant Multilever, earns a basic salary of \$22 million with stock options potentially worth an additional \$10 million. Other payments bring to \$35 million his total ...

(2 possible expressions)

4 ANGRY SHAREHOLDERS ATTACK EXECUTIVE PAY
National Energy's shareholders yesterday attacked the directors of the company for paying themselves too much. Profits fell by 30 per cent last year, but directors are being paid 30 per cent more. 'They should be paid 30 per cent less,' said one shareholder. 'These people are just ...'

(1 possible expression)

Over to you



Do you think top executives are too highly paid? Or do they deserve what they earn?