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English tribes of the first century, who fought against the Romans, or Emily Pankhurst, who fought to get the vote for women early in this century. What do you think of this 0selection? There ' s no one who was alive in the last fifty years on it and no political leader. Why not? Why doesn ' t the Bank choose popular heroes-like the Beatles, for example? Write and tell "BBC Modern English" who is on your list for this banknote. Imagine you have to choose some personality to go on a banknote in your own country. Who is your choice? 26.

"Inflation" in this story means \_\_\_\_\_. A. "rise in prices resulting from an increase in the money, credit, etc." B. "the rise and fall of the voice in speaking" C. "the process of inflating or being inflated" D. "an illness brought by infection" 27. Who dislike(s) inflation most? A. Ordinary people. B. Merchants.

C. Officials. D. The Bank of England. 28. Why is there no-one who was alive in the last fifty years in the 0selection and no political leader? A. Because the Bank of England does not like contemporary figures and political leaders. B. Because living personalities and political leaders are not as influential as anyone in this 0selection. C. Because the Bank of England usually chooses safe and historical personalities. D. Because living personalities and political leaders are not allowed to be put on the back of the new banknote.

29. The British army at Waterloo was fighting against \_\_\_\_\_. A. the Indian army B. the French army C. the Spanish army D. the Russian army 30. BBC Modern English is \_\_\_\_\_. A. a book B. a TV program C. a TV guide D. a magazine for students of English as a foreign language

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