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# THE TOP 10 TIPS TO BEAT TERROR BY MI5

*BRITAIN'S security service MI5 issued an unprecedented warning to firms yesterday to protect themselves from terror attacks. Spy bosses released a list of top 10 tips for companies and their workers saying the cooperation of ordinary people was a vital weapon in the war on terror. MI5 boss Eliza Manningham-Buller said: "We have a well-developed understanding of international terrorism and other threats facing the UK today.*

*"We rely heavily on public assistance and support to do our work effectively. I would encourage people to use our website to pass on any information."*

*MI5's site warns al-Qaeda is targeting Britain from internally and abroad, and urges the public to report suspicions to a web link or emergency number.*

*British businesses are further advised:*

*1 Assess the risk of threats and vulnerable points.*

*2 Plan security measures for new buildings.*

*3 Put someone in charge of security awareness, brief staff and train in emergencies and bomb threats.*

*4 Keep public areas tidy and well lit, remove unnecessary furniture and cut the shrubs.*

*5 Search bags and consider a barrier system and car park that keeps unfamiliar vehicles at a distance.*

*6 Install locks on windows and doors, Closed Circuit TV, alarms and lighting according to circumstances.*

*7 Consider setting up a mailroom away from your main premises and train staff for a crisis.*

*8 Follow up staff references.*

*9 Ensure a reputable and reliable IT (Information Technology) service.*

*10 Plan how you will function if your premises or IT systems are put out of action by an incident.*

## QUESTIONS

**1. Answer the following questions using your own words. (2 points)**

a. How can people help in the battle against terrorism?

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b. What do the companies have to do in order to handle the mail accordingly?

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**2. Are the following statements *true* or *false*? (1 point)**

a. Searching the bags of people is not necessary:

b. New buildings must have safety measures ready to be carried out:

**3. Find a word or phrase in the text which, in context, is similar in meaning to: (1 point)**

a. Help: b. Aiming at:

**4. Choose *a*, *b* or *c* in each question below. Only one choice is correct. (2 points)**

1. According to the text, terrorism

*a. is threatening USA.*

*b. is threatening Great Britain.*

*c. is threatening USA and Great Britain.*

2. Al-Qaeda

*a. wants to attack only from outside the country.*
*b. wants to attack only from inside the country.*
*c. wants to attack both from outside and inside the country.*

3. Keeping the places clean and tidy
*a. might increase terrorist attacks.*
*b. might prevent from terrorist attacks.*
*c. might encourage terrorist attacks.*

4. Training staff and workers against terrorism
*a. is an outstanding claim of MI5*
*b. is irrelevant for MI5.*
*c. is not necessary for MI5.*

**5. Composition (100-150 words)** ***What is your opinion about the tips against terrorism presented in the text?*** **(4 points)**

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