Titel: Smart Alex			✓ Testaufgabe☐ Unterrichtsaufgabe		
Themengebiet: School					
Fertigkeit:	Niveau:	Aufgabenformat:			
Leseverstehen (use of English)	B1		true/false/not given		
		☐ matching	short answer question		
		(table) completion	gap-filling		
Standardbezug/GeR:					
Die Sch können längere Texte nach gewünschten Informationen durchsuchen, um eine bestimmte Aufgabe zu lösen.					
Organisationsform:		☐ Partnerarbeit	☐ Gruppenarbeit		
Zeitaufwand:					
ca. 10 min.					
Materialien/Medien:					
Arbeitsblatt					
Hinweise:					
Varianten / Weiterarbeit:					

THE DIARY OF A KPMG COMPUTER CALLED SMART ALEX

My name is Smart Alex and **(0)** *I reckon* I'm probably the most popular member of class 5 at Salisbury Primary School in North West London.

I left KPMG in the summer of 2000 - replaced by a newer, updated model. But I'm really enjoying my (1) "retirement" with a class of 9-year-olds. Firstly they gave me a name. I think Smart Alex is really cool.

Never before have I had such (2) *adoring* fans. The kids use my (3) *vast* knowledge to help with their school projects, and (4) *recently* we've studied Ancient Egypt and the Tudors together. Class 5 gets only 45 minutes a week in the school's IT-room. Thanks to my help the pupils can finish off their computer projects in the comfort of their own classroom.

Our teacher, Miss Rice, says my arrival has made a big (5) *impact* in the classroom and has helped make her job easier. What really pleases me is that not only do I help the children learn, but I make it fun, too. I'm their (6) *gateway* to a world of information. Using the Internet and CD ROMs they learn by using moving images, photos and information that would not normally be (7) *available* in the classroom.

My classmates say they're all really grateful to KPMG for donating me. They say many lessons would be less enjoyable and more boring if I wasn't there. In fact they're always saying that school life wouldn't be the same without me! But I reckon I get as much out of being there as the kids do.

I do get a bit lonely in the evening when everyone goes home, though. I've been thinking hard about this and I reckon that what I really need is a bit of company ... perhaps from a friendly printer!

Task: Find the word that has the same or a similar meaning and tick ($\sqrt{\ }$) it (a to d). There is an example (0) at the beginning:

0. I reckon					
I want to know		I think			
I am not sure		I don't know			
1. retirement					
lessons		sleep			
old age		life after work			
2. adoring					
adorable		loving			
terrible		wonderful			
3. vast					
tiny		huge			
important		waste			
4. recently					
a long time ago		in a short while			
today		a short while ago □			
5. impact					
change		impression			
shock		turnover			
6. gateway					
guard		helper			
street		door			
7. available					
offered		interesting			
valuable		special			