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## Unit 4, Chapter 1 (Pages 66-71)

Please before reading the text, read this summary (outline) first to get a grasp of what the text is about.

### Outline of ideas of the text: What does a million dollars buy?

**A. Main Idea:** How far a million dollars can go today?! Not that much!

-- The prices of everything have increased over the years, especially in housing.

For example, a new home was 149,000 \$ in 1990 but 272\$ now in the US.

-- City centers are now more expensive than before.

--The cost of living has generally risen because of inflation! Although people earn more money than before, the costs of living have also boosted significantly.

-- People should think about the time they retire, so they have to save money.

The costs of healthcare system also are high in retirement. Therefore, people need to think about their future by saving money while they are young.

**B. Conclusion:** The effectiveness of a million dollars depends on the way you live!

However, it is not generally that much!



### Difficult words of the text.

To tend to	To be willing to; To like to
To quit	To give up; To stop
To come true	To be realized
In reality	In a real situation
To fulfil	To realize; To come true; To happen in reality
Steadily	In a fixed manner
Dense	Thick; Close together
Property	Things you own/have
Investment	Something you buy because it may be worth more
To escape	To run away
Overcrowding	A huge crowd of people somewhere
Dramatically	Significantly
Inflation	A continuing increase in prices over time
Necessity	Things everyone need
To retire	To finish your work when you are old
Salary	Money you get for working
To afford	To be able to pay for something



Demand	Need
To influence	To have an effect on something
Life expectancy	The time period people think they live



Please do these exercises after checking the above-mentioned words carefully

and reading the text. ?

**Motivational Tip: Pause and think.**

Before you answer the reading comprehension questions, take a moment to reflect on what you have just read. What was the most important information from this passage? How was the important information supported with examples? What do you now know that you didn't know before reading this passage? When we pause and think after we read, our comprehension will increase.

**A Write the paragraph number (1–6) next to each main idea.**

- \_\_\_\_\_ People need more savings in order to retire comfortably.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A million dollars is not worth as much as people think.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Many factors influence how far a million dollars can go.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The cost of living has increased due to inflation.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Property in city centers has become much more expensive.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Property is more expensive because there is greater demand and less supply.

**Reading Comprehension**  
Check Your Understanding

**B Read the following statements. Check (✓) whether they have gone up (▲) or down (▼) over the last 20 years.**

	▲	▼
1 the value of a million dollars		
2 average price of a house in the U.S.		
3 health care costs		
4 the cost of food and housing		
5 how much people save		
6 the number of elderly people		
7 proportion of retired people who own their homes		

**C Discuss the following questions with a partner.**

- 1 Are housing prices rising in your country? How has this affected you, your friends, or your parents? What effect does this have on society in general?
- 2 How do you think governments can help solve the problem of rising property prices and rising cost of living in general?

 **Critical Thinking**

We check up the answers later!