

## **China scrambles to tame bike chaos Question Sheet**

A. Match these words to their correct definitions

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| 1 booming     | _____ | assigned to a position or a duty                              |
| 2 capping     | _____ | has a different result from what was expected                 |
| 3 haphazardly | _____ | growing very quickly  |
| 4 backfires   | _____ | used for one purpose only and nothing else                    |
| 5 swerve      | _____ | putting a limit on something; stopping something from growing |
| 6 appointed   | _____ | to turn suddenly or unexpectedly                              |
| 7 dedicated   | _____ | in a disorganized manner                                      |

B. Mark the statements below as either T (true) or F (false). You will have to scan the reading for the answers. Some answers may be indicated but not mentioned directly.

1. Authorities aren't trying to regulate bicycle riders but are forcing the bicycle companies to regulate their customers.
2. Regulators in Beijing, Chengdu & Hangzhou want GPS to be installed on all of the bikes.
3. Startups like MoBike and Ofo have introduced their bikes all over the country and in London, Paris & New York.
4. Firm staff wearing armbands or neon vests are authorized to fine users who ignore the regulations.
5. Bicycle users park the bikes upright and lock them when they are finished.

C. Answer these questions using full sentences. Some questions may not have a single correct answer; these questions will require you to give an opinion and prove it using facts from the reading.

1. Will the new regulations being considered by the authorities solve the problems being created by the bikes? Why or why not?

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2. Will barring riders who are too tall, too short or too heavy solve the problem of cyclists who don't know how to ride?

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3. According to Jeffrey Towson, good regulations would force the bike-sharing companies to regulate themselves. What three regulations are mentioned in the reading?

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