**Worksheet I - Filling Gaps**

***Listen to a part of Julia’s story about herself and add a word in each gap. Use the given words!***

**name Canada English six dancing newspaper listening Latvian**

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Everyday I bought the local 4.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and yes it was such a long time ago that physical newspapers were still being sold.

Actually, when I came to Latvia the first thing I did was I joined a Latvian folk 5.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ group.

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***Answer sheet:***

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