

Activities to do **BEFORE** you listen to the podcast

A Match the verbs 1-10 to the phrases a-j they collocate with. Use a dictionary to check the meaning of unknown collocations if necessary.

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| 1. be | a. the Northern Lights |
| 2. work | b. as a Finn |
| 3. see | c. a genuine interest |
| 4. have | d. stuck in the middle |
| 5. be raised | e. attention |
| 6. pursue | f. a play |
| 7. put | g. on a ferry |
| 8. seek | h. myself out there |
| 9. rehearse | i. somebody down |
| 10. let | j. a career in acting |

Activities to do **WHILE** you listen to the podcast

B Write down the significance of these numbers based on information in the podcast.

1. 900 000 _____
2. 16 _____
3. 5 000 _____
4. 8 _____
5. 50 000 _____
6. 66 _____
7. 20 _____

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C Write questions for the following answers about Sami's life. Your question must be based on the word(s) in **bold**.

1. _____ ? The words **električka** and **vstup**.
2. _____ ? There were **no Slovaks**.
3. _____ ? They met **in Sweden**.
4. _____ ? **Because it's cheaper** to live here than in Sweden.
5. _____ ? **No**, it's the first time he's lived in a house.

D Think of some pros and cons of living in Slovakia and working abroad at the same time.

KEY

A: 1-d, 2-g, 3-a, 4-c, 5-b, 6-j, 7-h, 8-e, 9-f, 10-i

B: 1-00 000 people represent Finnish minority/Finnish descendants in Sweden, 2-16 years = Sami worked on the ferries, 3-5 000 euros for a cruise in Norway, 4-8

years Sami's wife worked as a flight attendant, 5-50 000 euros for pilot education in Slovakia, 6-66 inch TV in Sami's man cave, 7-20 euros to get from the airport by train in Sweden

C: 1-What are Sami's favourite words?, 2-Were

there any Slovaks on a cruise ship?, 3-Where did Sami meet his wife? / Where did Sami and his wife meet?, 4-Why are they living in Slovakia/Palárikovo?, 5-Has he lived in a house before?

