

## 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.

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### 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?

