Introducing A Sugar Tax To Australia

Background Information:
*Lateline* is a television show on the ABC which features interviews with leaders and experts about current issues in Australia. The show is hosted by journalist Emma Alberici. This audio comes from an episode of *Lateline* which looks at whether a sugar tax should be put on soft drinks in Australia in order to reduce the obesity rate. Emma Alberici questions three different people with opinions about this proposal:
- **Geoff Parker**: He is the chief executive officer of The Australian Beverages Council - a group which represents companies that make soft drinks
- **Mike Rayner**: A Professor of Population Health at Oxford University
- **Damon Gameau**: The director of a recent documentary about sugar called *That Sugar Film*

**Question 1**: (1 Mark)

What statistic does Damon Gameau use to show that a sugar tax would be popular in Australia:

- [ ] 100% of Australians support a sugar tax
- [ ] 85% of Australians support a sugar tax
- [ ] Most Australians support a sugar tax
- [ ] 91% of Australians support a sugar tax

**Question 2**: (1 Mark)

Identify one thing that Geoff Parker agrees with Damon Gameau about:

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**Question 3**: (2 Marks)

Emma Alberici expected Geoff Parker to say he didn’t agree with the sugar tax. What words does she use to show she expected this?

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Question 4: (4 Marks)

Identify four reasons why we should or shouldn't have a sugar tax which are stated during the interview. Write the reason in the appropriate box in the chart below:

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Question 5: (2 Marks)

Explain two ways Emma Alberici tries to be fair during the debate - and not appear as if she agrees with one side or the other:

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