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A current ban on tobacco is being advertising on TV. The ban, which comes into force on 1 January 2006, includes public transport, theatres, bars and restaurants. Similar bans have been imposed in a number of other European Union countries including Ireland and Italy.

Employers in Spain with premises larger than 100sq m have to set a separate smoking area. The Spanish Parliament led by example in September last years by banning smoking in its corridors.

A Senate proposal to make anti-smoking treatments available on the state health service was rejected, despite medical advice that only one in 20 smokers could stop without treatment.

“I think it’s a bit drastic”. Smoker Susana Serrai told the Associated. “I agree that one shouldn’t smoke in the workplace but I can’t agree with not being able to smoke anywhere like restaurants and bars. But I guess we’ll have to get used to it”. But travel agent Javier Reverte, also a smoker, disagreed: “I’m all in favour, I think it’s good to have to step outside to smoke” he told AP. “You can appreciate breathing in a clean environment and I personally am thankful”.

a) Answerer these questions from the text in your own words. (No points will be given for answers copied from the test)

1. Which places prohibit smoking now?
2. What happens all the workplace?
3. Are people who want to give up smoking helped by the Ministry of Health?

b) Explain the meaning of the following words or expressions from the text?

1. Ban
2. rejected
3. despite medical advice

c) Compositions:

Write a 120 word compositions on the following topic. What do you think about this law?