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Level 0

EU plans to stop cars speeding

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THE READING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1309/130905-speed-limit-0.html>

The European Union (EU) wants to stop cars speeding. 30,000 people die each year on Europe's roads. It wants road deaths to fall by 30 per cent by the year 2020. It will use technology. Satellites will warn drivers about speed limits. The satellites can also put on the car's brakes. This will slow the car down to a safe speed.

People are not happy with this idea. It takes away their freedom. They do not want EU rules about how to drive. In Britain, 1,754 people died on the roads in 2011. This was the lowest number ever. In Germany, there were 3,657 deaths last year. Someone said the technology is dangerous. You cannot go faster if you have to.

Sources: <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/motoring/road-safety/10278702/EU-plans-to-fit-all-cars-with-speed-limiters.html>
<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2408012/Britain-fights-EUs-Big-Brother-bid-fit-car-speed-limiter.html#ixzz2doRM5xzN>
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VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. stop cars | a. year 2020 |
| 2. It wants road deaths to fall | b. about speed limits |
| 3. by the | c. speeding |
| 4. It will use | d. speed |
| 5. warn drivers | e. technology |
| 6. put on the car's | f. down |
| 7. slow the car | g. by 30 per cent |
| 8. a safe | h. brakes |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. People are not happy | a. number ever |
| 2. It takes | b. rules |
| 3. They do not want EU | c. on the roads |
| 4. how to | d. with this idea |
| 5. 1,754 people died | e. faster |
| 6. This was the lowest | f. drive |
| 7. Someone said the technology | g. away their freedom |
| 8. You cannot go | h. is dangerous |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The European Union (EU) (1) _____ cars speeding. 30,000 people (2) _____ on Europe's roads. It wants (3) _____ to fall by 30 per cent by (4) _____. It will use technology. Satellites will warn drivers (5) _____. The satellites can also put on the car's brakes. This will (6) _____ down to a safe speed.

People are not happy (7) _____. It takes away their freedom. They do not want EU (8) _____ to drive. In Britain, 1,754 people (9) _____ roads in 2011. This was (10) _____ ever. In Germany, there were 3,657 (11) _____. Someone said the technology is dangerous. You cannot (12) _____ have to.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

