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Level 0

Only 10% of UK engineers are women

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THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1311/131106-women-engineers-0.html>

Only 10% of UK engineers are women. This is the lowest in Europe. This will be a big problem in Britain for many years.

Britain needs more women computer scientists. There are few female computer engineers. Many companies do not want women engineers. Many girls do not study physics at school.

There is a new campaign to get women engineers. It explains why engineering is important for the UK. Businesses need skilled engineers to grow. Young people should understand that engineering is a good job. The campaign website shows all the exciting companies that need creative engineers.

Sources: <http://www.independent.co.uk/news/business/news/campaign-unveiled-to-inspire-young-to-go-into-engineering-8920049.html>
<http://www.theguardian.com/politics/2013/nov/04/vince-cable-uk-economy-female-engineers>
<http://www.tomorrowsengineers.org.uk/week/>

VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Only 10% | a. lowest in Europe |
| 2. This is the | b. engineers |
| 3. This will be a big | c. want women |
| 4. for many | d. computer scientists |
| 5. Britain needs more women | e. of UK engineers |
| 6. There are few female computer | f. physics at school |
| 7. Many companies do not | g. problem |
| 8. Many girls do not study | h. years |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. There is a new | a. to grow |
| 2. get women | b. a good job |
| 3. It explains why engineering | c. engineers |
| 4. Businesses need skilled engineers | d. website |
| 5. Young people should | e. campaign |
| 6. engineering is | f. need creative engineers |
| 7. The campaign | g. is important |
| 8. the exciting companies that | h. understand |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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(1) _____ UK engineers are women. This is the

(2) _____. This will be a big problem in Britain

for many years. Britain (3) _____ computer

scientists. There (4) _____ computer engineers.

Many (5) _____ want women engineers. Many

girls do not study (6) _____.

There is (7) _____ to get women engineers. It

explains (8) _____ important for the UK.

Businesses need skilled (9) _____. Young

people (10) _____ engineering is a good job.

The campaign (11) _____ the exciting

companies that (12) _____.

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) _____

