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Level 1

Russian weapons maker now a fashion brand

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Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1605/160509-kalashnikov-1.html>

The gun maker Kalashnikov will soon sell clothes. Kalashnikov is one of Russia's most famous companies. It makes the AK-47 rifle. The company said it must make different things because the USA and European countries have stopped buying Russian weapons. This was because of events in Ukraine. Kalashnikov will make 'military style' casual clothes. The company also plans to open 60 clothes stores across Russia by the end of this year.

Kalashnikov is not the first Russian arms company to sell clothes. A tank maker started selling T-shirts, jackets, shoes and bags in 2014. The Kalashnikov CEO said his company would still make most of its money from guns. He wants to double the sales of guns by 2017. He added that the company would start making at least 10 new products. Kalashnikov's clothes could sell well because Russians want to support their country.

Sources: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/blogs-news-from-elsewhere-36228350>
<http://sputniknews.com/business/20160506/1039183639/russia-kalashnikov-clothing.html#ixzz47wlxLMRB>
<https://www.rt.com/news/342198-kalashnikov-military-style-clothing/>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Kalashnikov will soon | a. in Ukraine |
| 2. one of Russia's most | b. across Russia |
| 3. The company said it must make | c. famous companies |
| 4. countries have stopped | d. of this year |
| 5. This was because of events | e. different things |
| 6. casual | f. buying Russian weapons |
| 7. open 60 clothes stores | g. sell clothes |
| 8. by the end | h. clothes |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. the first Russian arms company | a. sales of guns |
| 2. A tank maker started | b. well |
| 3. The Kalashnikov | c. selling T-shirts |
| 4. make most of its money | d. their country |
| 5. double the | e. CEO |
| 6. start making at | f. from guns |
| 7. Kalashnikov's clothes could sell | g. to sell clothes |
| 8. Russians want to support | h. least 10 new products |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The gun maker Kalashnikov will (1) _____.
Kalashnikov is one of Russia's (2) _____. It
makes the AK-47 rifle. The company said it must make different
(3) _____ USA and European countries have
stopped buying Russian weapons. This (4) _____
events in Ukraine. Kalashnikov (5) _____ style'
casual clothes. The company also plans to open 60 clothes stores
across Russia by the (6) _____.

Kalashnikov (7) _____ Russian arms company
to sell clothes. A tank maker (8) _____ T-shirts,
jackets, shoes and bags in 2014. The Kalashnikov CEO said his
company would still (9) _____ its money from
guns. He wants to (10) _____ of guns by 2017.
He added that the company would start (11) _____
10 new products. Kalashnikov's clothes could sell well because
Russians want to (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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MILITARY FASHION SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1605/160509-kalashnikov-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about military fashion in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

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) _____

WRITING

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Write about **military fashion** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
