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Level 5 – 25th April, 2019

Police arrest 1,000 Extinction Rebellion protestors

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THE READING

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London police arrested more than 1,000 protestors last week. Many of central London's busiest areas were brought to a standstill as thousands of protestors staged peaceful protests on bridges and roads. The protestors are part of the Extinction Rebellion. This is a movement focused on getting the UK government to declare climate change as a global emergency. It wants the UK to reduce its carbon footprint. It has three main demands: for the government to "tell the truth about climate change"; to reduce carbon emissions to zero by 2025; and to create a citizens' assembly to check any progress.

Sweden's 16-year-old activist Greta Thunberg met leaders of the UK's political parties. She is a Nobel Peace Prize nominee and started the global school protests. She told politicians that the future of the world's children had been "sold so that a small number of people can make unimaginable amounts of money". She added: "You don't listen to the science because you are only interested in the answers that will allow you to carry on as if nothing has happened." One protestor said: "I support Extinction Rebellion. Civil disobedience is important to show this is an emergency."

Sources: <https://metro.co.uk/2019/04/22/climate-change-activists-turn-government-almost-1000-arrests-9283294/>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. central London's busiest | a. a global emergency |
| 2. brought to a | b. assembly |
| 3. protestors staged | c. areas |
| 4. declare climate change as | d. progress |
| 5. reduce its carbon | e. standstill |
| 6. reduce carbon | f. peaceful protests |
| 7. create a citizens' | g. emissions |
| 8. check any | h. footprint |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. leaders of the UK's political | a. emergency |
| 2. a Nobel Peace Prize | b. amounts of money |
| 3. make unimaginable | c. carry on |
| 4. You don't listen | d. important |
| 5. allow you to | e. parties |
| 6. as if nothing has | f. nominee |
| 7. Civil disobedience is | g. happened |
| 8. this is an | h. to the science |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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London police (1) _____ 1,000 protestors last week. Many of central London's busiest areas were brought (2) _____ as thousands of protestors staged (3) _____ bridges and roads. The protestors are part of the Extinction Rebellion. This is a movement focused on getting the UK government (4) _____ change as a global emergency. It wants the UK to reduce its carbon footprint. It has three main demands: for the government to "(5) _____ about climate change"; to reduce carbon emissions to zero by 2025; and to (6) _____ assembly to check any progress.

Sweden's 16-year-old activist Greta Thunberg (7) _____ the UK's political parties. She is a Nobel Peace Prize nominee and started the global school protests. She (8) _____ the future of the world's children had been "sold so that a small number of people can make unimaginable (9) _____". She added: "You don't listen to the science because you are only interested (10) _____ that will allow you to carry (11) _____ nothing has happened." One protestor said: "I support Extinction Rebellion. (12) _____ important to show this is an emergency."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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CLIMATE CHANGE SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about climate change 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 **climate change** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
