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Level 1 – 5th November, 2019

United Nations warns world to quit 'coal addiction'

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

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1911/191105-coal-addiction-1.html>

The United Nations chief has told world leaders to overcome their addiction to coal. He said the fossil fuel was a "major threat" to climate change. He was in Thailand for the ASEAN Summit. The UN chief said countries in Asia are "in one of the most vulnerable areas to climate change". He added that: "Unless we are able to...defeat climate change, in 2050, the research has forecasted that 300 million people in the world will be flooded by sea water."

The UN chief said climate change was, "the biggest threat to the planet at the present moment". He asked countries to stop building coal-power electricity plants. As he spoke, there were dangerous levels of air pollution in Delhi. Air monitors did not have enough digits to record the pollution. A health official tweeted: "I think we are heading towards Delhi recording the most polluted day in the history of the world!! This is a disaster!"

Sources: <https://news.un.org/en/story/2019/11/1050491>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. world | a. the world |
| 2. overcome their | b. to climate change |
| 3. a major threat | c. defeat climate change |
| 4. The UN | d. by sea water |
| 5. one of the most vulnerable | e. addiction |
| 6. Unless we are able to | f. chief |
| 7. 300 million people in | g. areas |
| 8. flooded | h. leaders |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------|------------------|
| 1. the biggest threat | a. enough digits |
| 2. at the present | b. of the world |
| 3. Air monitors did not have | c. towards Delhi |
| 4. health | d. disaster |
| 5. we are heading | e. to the planet |
| 6. the most | f. official |
| 7. in the history | g. moment |
| 8. This is a | h. polluted day |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1911/191105-coal-addiction-1.html>

The United Nations chief has (1) _____ to overcome their addiction to coal. He said (2) _____ was a "major threat" (3) _____. He was in Thailand for the ASEAN Summit. The UN chief said countries in Asia are "in one of the most (4) _____ climate change". He added that: "Unless we (5) _____...defeat climate change, in 2050, the research has forecasted that 300 million people in the world will (6) _____ sea water."

The UN (7) _____ change was, "the biggest threat to the planet at (8) _____". He asked countries to stop building coal-power electricity plants. As he spoke, there were dangerous (9) _____ pollution in Delhi. Air monitors did not (10) _____ to record the pollution. A health official tweeted: "I think we (11) _____ Delhi recording the most polluted day in the history of the world!! This (12) _____!"

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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COAL SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1911/191105-coal-addiction-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about coal 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

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1911/191105-coal-addiction-1.html>

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