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**Level 0 – 25th April, 2020**

## **New Netflix subscribers surge during pandemic**

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**Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.**

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2004/200425-netflix-0.html>

The number of new Netflix subscribers doubled in the past three months. It said 15.77 million new subscribers signed up.

This is because of the coronavirus pandemic. Millions of people are watching films and TV shows. Netflix is now one of the world's most valuable companies.

Netflix said the increase is temporary and would go down after lockdown. It said membership growth would slow down. It added: "The coronavirus has reached every corner of the world and...no one knows how or when this terrible crisis will end."

Netflix will produce more new shows in the future.

Sources: <https://www.theguardian.com/media/2020/apr/21/netflix-new-subscribers-covid-19-lockdown>  
<https://www.standard.co.uk/news/world/netflix-gains-158-million-customers-amid-coronavirus-lockdowns-a4420526.html>  
<https://www.ft.com/content/f9bf15cd-12fe-4b99-9640-4ff94c1af905>

# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2004/200425-netflix-0.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                               |                      |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. The number of new Netflix  | a. and TV shows      |
| 2. doubled in the             | b. up                |
| 3. new subscribers signed     | c. companies         |
| 4. because of the coronavirus | d. past three months |
| 5. Millions                   | e. one               |
| 6. watching films             | f. subscribers       |
| 7. Netflix is now             | g. of people         |
| 8. the world's most valuable  | h. pandemic          |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                              |                        |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Netflix said the increase | a. new shows           |
| 2. go down after             | b. growth              |
| 3. membership                | c. corner of the world |
| 4. slow                      | d. future              |
| 5. reached every             | e. lockdown            |
| 6. when this terrible        | f. down                |
| 7. Netflix will produce more | g. is temporary        |
| 8. in the                    | h. crisis will end     |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2004/200425-netflix-0.html>

The (1) \_\_\_\_\_ Netflix subscribers  
(2) \_\_\_\_\_ past three months. It said 15.77  
million new (3) \_\_\_\_\_. This is because of  
(4) \_\_\_\_\_. Millions of people are  
(5) \_\_\_\_\_ TV shows. Netflix is now one of the  
(6) \_\_\_\_\_ companies.

Netflix said (7) \_\_\_\_\_ temporary and would go  
(8) \_\_\_\_\_. It said membership  
(9) \_\_\_\_\_ down. It added: "The coronavirus has  
reached (10) \_\_\_\_\_ the world and...no one knows  
how or when (11) \_\_\_\_\_ will end." Netflix will  
produce more new shows (12) \_\_\_\_\_.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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corner of the world and... no one knows how or when this terrible crisis will

end." Netflix will produce more new shows in the future.

# NETFLIX SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2004/200425-netflix-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about Netflix 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/2004/200425-netflix-0.html>

Write about **Netflix** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner’s paper.

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