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Level 1 – 30th April, 2021

World sends oxygen aid for India's COVID crisis

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

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THE READING

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Many countries are sending oxygen to India. India is the world's second largest country, with 1.3 billion people. It is experiencing a big increase in COVID-19 cases. There are over 300,000 new cases every day. India's hospitals are in trouble. They are turning people with the virus away. There are not enough beds. Many hospitals have no oxygen. Singapore and the UK have sent oxygen to India. India has arranged for Amazon to deliver 100 ventilators.

A spokesperson from Singapore explained how urgent it was to help India. He said this pandemic is a global threat. It does not care what country, nationality or race you are from. He said people must support each other. The WHO said the situation in India was "beyond heartbreaking". It is doing everything it can to provide equipment and supplies. It said: "The growth that we have seen in case numbers is really, truly astonishing."

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Many countries are sending | a. have no oxygen |
| 2. India is the world's second | b. in COVID-19 cases |
| 3. a big increase | c. in trouble |
| 4. There are over 300,000 new | d. the virus away |
| 5. India's hospitals are | e. oxygen to India |
| 6. They are turning people with | f. beds |
| 7. There are not enough | g. largest country |
| 8. Many hospitals | h. cases every day |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. explained how | a. what country |
| 2. He said this pandemic | b. in case numbers |
| 3. It does not care | c. it can |
| 4. He said people must support | d. urgent it was |
| 5. the situation in India was beyond | e. each other |
| 6. It is doing everything | f. and supplies |
| 7. provide equipment | g. is a global threat |
| 8. The growth that we have seen | h. heartbreaking |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Many countries are (1) _____ India. India is the world's second largest country, with 1.3 billion people. It is experiencing (2) _____ in COVID-19 cases. There are over 300,000 new (3) _____. India's hospitals are in trouble. They are turning people with (4) _____. There are not enough beds. Many hospitals have no oxygen. Singapore and the UK (5) _____ to India. India has arranged for Amazon (6) _____ ventilators.

A spokesperson from Singapore explained (7) _____ was to help India. He said this pandemic is (8) _____. It does not care what country, nationality (9) _____ are from. He said people must support each other. The WHO said (10) _____ India was "beyond heartbreaking". It is doing everything it (11) _____ equipment and supplies. It said: "The growth that we have seen (12) _____ is really, truly astonishing."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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INDIA SURVEY

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