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G20 leaders agree to help Afghanistan

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2110/211014-g20-leaders.html>

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The G20 leaders will involve the Taliban in sending humanitarian aid to Afghanistan. Mario Draghi, the Italian prime minister and current leader of the G20, said: "It is very hard to see how you can help people in Afghanistan without involving the Taliban." The EU said it would increase the amount of aid it gives the country to \$1.15 billion. The IMF and World Bank said they would also provide aid but did not say how much. The Taliban's acting foreign minister, Amir Khan Muttaqi, said: "The international community needs to start cooperating with us." He said the aid would help the Taliban to stop insecurity in the country. He said it would also help the Taliban to "engage positively with the world".

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<https://www.arabnews.com/node/1946211/world>
<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2021/oct/12/afghanistan-at-make-or-break-point-says-un-as-g20-ministers-meet>

WARM-UPS

1. AFGHANISTAN: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about Afghanistan. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

group / problems / the future / chaos / economy / leader / financial system / goal / humanitarian aid / leader / IMF / World Bank / foreign minister / insecurity / world

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. RECOVER: Students A **strongly** believe the Afghan economy will recover; Students B **strongly** believe it won't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. ROLES: What are the roles of these organizations / countries in Afghanistan? How can they help the country? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Their Role	How They Can Help
The Taliban		
The U.N.		
The World Bank		
The G20		
Pakistan		
China		

5. FUTURE: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "future". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. HELP: Rank these with your partner. Put the countries that need help the most at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Afghanistan
- Syria
- South Sudan
- Somalia
- Lebanon
- Ukraine
- Myanmar
- Yemen

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|--------------|--|
| 1. act | a. An area or place with all of the people who live there. |
| 2. major | b. Do something. |
| 3. discuss | c. Fell down completely. |
| 4. chaos | d. Big and important. |
| 5. collapsed | e. Complete disorder and confusion. |
| 6. essential | f. Talk about. |
| 7. community | g. Very, very important and necessary. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|----------------|---|
| 8. aid | h. Help or assistance. |
| 9. current | i. In a good way. |
| 10. involving | j. Belonging to the present time. |
| 11. provide | k. Meet and talk to. |
| 12. insecurity | l. Having or including something as a necessary part. |
| 13. engage | m. Make available for use. |
| 14. positively | n. The state of being open to danger or threat. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2110/211014-g20-leaders.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

1. There are 19 countries in the G20. **T / F**
2. The G20 meets to talk about financial problems only. **T / F**
3. Germany's leader warned of an inability to give aid to Afghanistan. **T / F**
4. Germany's leader said the international community needs a new goal. **T / F**
5. Italy's prime minister said the G20 should talk to the Taliban. **T / F**
6. The EU said it would give \$1.15 billion in aid. **T / F**
7. The World Bank said it would give over one billion dollars in aid. **T / F**
8. The Taliban said aid would help it to engage with the world. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- | | |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1. rich | a. require |
| 2. act | b. caved in |
| 3. promised | c. present |
| 4. collapsed | d. collaborating |
| 5. descend | e. take measures |
| 6. involve | f. supply |
| 7. current | g. wealthy |
| 8. provide | h. fall |
| 9. cooperating | i. vulnerability |
| 10. insecurity | j. vowed |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|--|-------------------------|
| 1. The G20 is a group | a. also provide aid |
| 2. talk about and act on | b. collapsed |
| 3. falling into deeper economic | c. community |
| 4. the country's financial system | d. in the country |
| 5. the goal of the international | e. with the world |
| 6. sending humanitarian | f. major world problems |
| 7. they would | g. minister |
| 8. The Taliban's acting foreign | h. of 19 rich countries |
| 9. help the Taliban to stop insecurity | i. aid |
| 10. engage positively | j. chaos |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2110/211014-g20-leaders.html>

The G20 is a (1) _____ of 19 rich countries plus the European Union. It meets to talk about and act on (2) _____ world problems. It has just met to discuss the (3) _____ of Afghanistan. Leaders of the G20 promised to stop Afghanistan falling into (4) _____ economic chaos. Since the Taliban took over Afghanistan in August, the economy has almost (5) _____. Germany's leader Angela Merkel said it was essential to help Afghanistan. She said if the country's (6) _____ system collapsed, no humanitarian aid could be given. She added: "To look on as 40 million people (7) _____ into chaos because there's no financial system must not be the (8) _____ of the international community."

future
group
goal
financial
deeper
major
descend
collapsed

The G20 leaders will (9) _____ the Taliban in sending humanitarian aid to Afghanistan. Mario Draghi, the Italian prime minister and (10) _____ leader of the G20, said: "It is very hard to see how you can help people in Afghanistan (11) _____ involving the Taliban." The EU said it would increase the (12) _____ of aid it gives the country to \$1.15 billion. The IMF and World Bank said they would also provide aid but did not say how (13) _____. The Taliban's acting foreign minister, Amir Khan Muttaqi, said: "The international community needs to (14) _____ cooperating with us." He said the aid would help the Taliban to stop (15) _____ in the country. He said it would also help the Taliban to "engage positively with the (16) _____".

amount
current
insecurity
much
involve
world
without
start

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

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- 1) The G20 is a group of 19 rich countries _____ Union
 - a. plus the European
 - b. plus a European
 - c. plush a European
 - d. plush the European
- 2) It has just met to discuss the _____
 - a. future off Afghanistan
 - b. future of Afghanistan
 - c. futures off Afghanistan
 - d. futures of Afghanistan
- 3) Since the Taliban took over Afghanistan in August, the economy _____
 - a. has almost collapses
 - b. has almost collapse
 - c. has almost collapsed
 - d. has almost clasped
- 4) To look on as 40 million people _____
 - a. descend into chasm
 - b. descend into quays
 - c. descend into keys
 - d. descend into chaos
- 5) there's no financial system must not be the goal of _____
 - a. the international commune tea
 - b. the international com mutiny
 - c. the international common tea
 - d. the international community
- 6) Mario Draghi, the Italian prime minister _____
 - a. and currant leader
 - b. and currency leader
 - c. and current leader
 - d. and currently leader
- 7) hard to see how you can help people in Afghanistan without _____
 - a. involve in the Taliban
 - b. revolving the Taliban
 - c. invoking the Taliban
 - d. involving the Taliban
- 8) The international community needs to start _____
 - a. cooperation with us
 - b. cooperate in with us
 - c. cooperating with us
 - d. cooperating withers
- 9) He said the aid would help the Taliban _____
 - a. to stopping security
 - b. to tops insecurity
 - c. to stoop insecurity
 - d. to stop insecurity
- 10) He said it would also help the Taliban _____
 - a. to engage positively
 - b. to enrage positively
 - c. to engage positive
 - d. to enrage positive

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2021/10/211014-g20-leaders.html>

1. How many countries are in the G20?
2. What does the G20 meet to talk about?
3. What do G20 leaders want to stop Afghanistan falling into?
4. Who said it was essential to help Afghanistan?
5. How many people are there in Afghanistan?
6. Who will the G20 talk to in sending humanitarian aid to Afghanistan?
7. Which country is the current leader of the G20?
8. How much has the EU pledged to give Afghanistan?
9. How much has the World Bank pledged to give Afghanistan?
10. Who is Amir Khan Muttaqi?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2021/10/211014-g20-leaders.html>

- 1) How many countries are in the G20?
 - a) 21
 - b) 20
 - c) 19
 - d) 18
- 2) What does the G20 meet to talk about?
 - a) major world problems
 - b) economics
 - c) European affairs
 - d) climate change
- 3) What do G20 leaders want to stop Afghanistan falling into?
 - a) a trap
 - b) chaos
 - c) poverty
 - d) hard times
- 4) Who said it was essential to help Afghanistan?
 - a) the IMF
 - b) the World Bank
 - c) the USA
 - d) Angela Merkel
- 5) How many people are there in Afghanistan?
 - a) 35 million
 - b) 37 million
 - c) 40 million
 - d) 50 million
- 6) Who will the G20 talk to about sending humanitarian aid to Afghanistan?
 - a) the USA
 - b) the Taliban
 - c) Pakistan
 - d) the G7
- 7) Which country is the current leader of the G20?
 - a) China
 - b) Estonia
 - c) Brazil
 - d) Italy
- 8) How much has the EU pledged to give Afghanistan?
 - a) \$1.25 billion
 - b) \$1.15 billion
 - c) \$1.05 billion
 - d) \$1.55 billion
- 9) How much has the World Bank pledged to give Afghanistan?
 - a) \$1.55 billion
 - b) We don't know yet.
 - c) \$1.05 billion
 - d) \$1.25 billion
- 10) Who is Amir Khan Muttaqi?
 - a) the Taliban's acting foreign minister
 - b) the Taliban's leader
 - c) the Taliban's economics minister
 - d) the Taliban's defence minister

ROLE PLAY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2110/211014-g20-leaders.html>

Role A – Afghanistan

You think Afghanistan is the country most in need of help. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their countries aren't as high on the list. Also, tell the others which is the least deserving of these (and why): Somalia, Lebanon or Myanmar.

Role B – Somalia

You think Somalia is the country most in need of help. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their countries aren't as high on the list. Also, tell the others which is the least deserving of these (and why): Afghanistan, Lebanon or Myanmar.

Role C – Lebanon

You think Lebanon is the country most in need of help. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their countries aren't as high on the list. Also, tell the others which is the least deserving of these (and why): Somalia, Afghanistan or Myanmar.

Role D – Myanmar

You think Myanmar is the country most in need of help. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their countries aren't as high on the list. Also, tell the others which is the least deserving of these (and why): Somalia, Lebanon or Afghanistan.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2020/10/14-g20-leaders.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'leader' and 'agree'.

leader	agree
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• group• just• took• essential• look• goal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• sending• hard• much• acting• stop• engage
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AFGHANISTAN SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2110/211014-g20-leaders.html>

Write five GOOD questions about Afghanistan 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.

AFGHANISTAN DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'Afghanistan'?
3. What do you know about Afghanistan?
4. What has happened in Afghanistan this year?
5. Why does Afghanistan need so much aid?
6. How is your country's economy?
7. How can you help the people of Afghanistan?
8. Should the world be doing more to help Afghanistan?
9. What would happen if Afghanistan descended into chaos?
10. What advice do you have for Taliban leaders?

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AFGHANISTAN DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'leader'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What do you know about the G20?
15. Should rich countries give more help to poor countries?
16. What is the job of the IMF and World Bank?
17. What do you know about the Taliban?
18. What do you think Afghanistan will be like in 10 years?
19. How can the Taliban 'engage positively' with the world?
20. What questions would you like to ask the head of the G20?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|--------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) richest | (b) richness | (c) richly | (d) rich |
| 2. | (a) to | (b) of | (c) in | (d) on |
| 3. | (a) deepen | (b) deeper | (c) depend | (d) depth |
| 4. | (a) such | (b) what | (c) if | (d) so |
| 5. | (a) given | (b) gave | (c) gives | (d) give |
| 6. | (a) into | (b) up | (c) of | (d) by |
| 7. | (a) up | (b) as | (c) at | (d) in |
| 8. | (a) hard | (b) difficulty | (c) firm | (d) uphill |
| 9. | (a) speak | (b) say | (c) talk | (d) chat |
| 10. | (a) acts | (b) act | (c) acting | (d) acted |
| 11. | (a) position | (b) maintain | (c) cooperating | (d) mistaking |
| 12. | (a) propose | (b) engage | (c) marry | (d) divorce |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. susidsc the future of Afghanistan
2. the economy has almost oaedspllc
3. it was inltessea to help Afghanistan
4. descend into schao
5. there's no ianncfail system
6. the goal of the international ummitycno

Paragraph 2

7. The G20 leaders will ilnveov the Taliban
8. necrtru leader of the G20
9. nrseacei the amount of aid
10. The Taliban's acting groifen minister
11. stop ysircuetin in the country
12. engage ptyiiolesev with the world

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

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Number these lines in the correct order.

- () to \$1.15 billion. The IMF and World Bank said they would also provide aid but did not say how
- () insecurity in the country. He said it would also help the Taliban to "engage positively with the world".
- () aid could be given. She added: "To look on as 40 million people descend into chaos
- (**1**) The G20 is a group of 19 rich countries plus the European Union. It meets to talk about and act
- () of the G20 promised to stop Afghanistan falling into deeper economic chaos. Since the Taliban took
- () because there's no financial system must not be the goal of the international community."
- () The G20 leaders will involve the Taliban in sending humanitarian aid to Afghanistan. Mario Draghi, the Italian prime
- () community needs to start cooperating with us." He said the aid would help the Taliban to stop
- () over Afghanistan in August, the economy has almost collapsed. Germany's leader Angela Merkel said it was
- () on major world problems. It has just met to discuss the future of Afghanistan. Leaders
- () involving the Taliban." The EU said it would increase the amount of aid it gives the country
- () much. The Taliban's acting foreign minister, Amir Khan Muttaqi, said: "The international
- () minister and current leader of the G20, said: "It is very hard to see how you can help people in Afghanistan without
- () essential to help Afghanistan. She said if the country's financial system collapsed, no humanitarian

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. and on about major act problems . Talk world
2. met discuss of the It Afghanistan . future to
3. deeper economic chaos . falling Afghanistan Stop into
4. the said She system financial country's if collapsed .
5. of community . the international goal the It's
6. hard help . how to see can It's you
7. would said The aid . IMF also provide it
8. community to start needs international cooperating . The
9. in insecurity Help Taliban stop the Afghanistan . to
10. engage Help Taliban the with to world . the

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2021/10/211014-g20-leaders.html>

The G20 is a group of 19 rich countries *minus / plus* the European Union. It meets to talk about and act on *major / majorly* world problems. It has just met to discuss *a / the* future of Afghanistan. Leaders of the G20 promised to stop Afghanistan falling into *deeper / deepen* economic chaos. Since the Taliban took over Afghanistan in August, the economy has almost *collapse / collapsed*. Germany's leader Angela Merkel said it was *essence / essential* to help Afghanistan. She said if the country's financial system collapsed, no *humanitarian / humanity* aid could be given. She added: "To look *in / on* as 40 million people descend into *chaos / chaotic* because there's no financial system must not be the goal of the international *commune / community*."

The G20 leaders will *revolve / involve* the Taliban in sending humanitarian aid to Afghanistan. Mario Draghi, the Italian prime minister and *currant / current* leader of the G20, said: "It is very *hardly / hard* to see how you can help people in Afghanistan without *involvement / involving* the Taliban." The EU said it would increase the amount of aid it gives the country *to / of* \$1.15 billion. The IMF and World Bank said they would also provide aid *but / however* did not say how much. The Taliban's *acted / acting* foreign minister, Amir Khan Muttaqi, said: "The international community needs *to / by* start cooperating with us." He said the aid would help the Taliban to stop insecurity *on / in* the country. He said it would also help the Taliban to "engage *positive / positively* with the world".

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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Th_ G20 _s _ gr__p _f 19 r_ch c__ntr__s pl_s th_ __r_p__n _n__n. _t m__ts t_ t_lk _b__t _nd _ct _n m_j_r w_rld pr_bl_ms. _t h_s j_st m_t t_ d_sc_ss th_ f_t_r_ _f _fgh_n_st_n. L__d_rs _f th_ G20 pr_m_s_d t_ st_p _fgh_n_st_n f_ll_ng _nt_ d__p_r _c_n_m_c ch__s. S_nc_ th_ T_l_b_n t__k _v_r _fgh_n_st_n _n __g_st, th_ _c_n_my h_s _lm_st c_ll_ps_d. G_rm_ny's l__d_r _ng_l_ M_rk_l s__d _t w_s __ss_nt__l t_ h_lp _fgh_n_st_n. Sh_ s__d _f th_ c__ntry's f_n_nc__l syst_m c_ll_ps_d, n_ h_m_n_t_r__n __d c__ld b_ g_v_n. Sh_ _dd_d: "T_ l__k _n _s 40 m_ll__n p__pl_ d_sc_nd _nt_ ch__s b_c__s_ th_r_'s n_ f_n_nc__l syst_m m_st n_t b_ th_ g__l _f th_ _nt_rn_t__n_l c_mm_n_ty."

Th_ G20 l__d_rs w_ll _nv_lv_ th_ T_l_b_n _n s_nd_ng h_m_n_t_r__n __d t_ _fgh_n_st_n. M_r__ Dr_gh_, th_ _t_l__n pr_m_ m_n_st_r _nd c_rr_nt l__d_r _f th_ G20, s__d: "_t _s v_ry h_rd t_ s__ h_w y__ c_n h_lp p__pl_ _n _fgh_n_st_n w_th__t _nv_lv_ng th_ T_l_b_n." Th_ __ s__d _t w__ld _ncr__s_ th_ _m__nt _f __d _t g_v_s th_ c__ntry t_ \$1.15 b_ll__n. Th_ _MF _nd W_rld B_nk s__d th_y w__ld _ls_ pr_v_d_ __d b_t d_d n_t s_y h_w m_ch. Th_ T_l_b_n's _ct_ng f_r__gn m_n_st_r, _m_r Kh_n M_tt_q_, s__d: "Th_ _nt_rn_t__n_l c_mm_n_ty n__ds t_ st_rt c__p_r_t_ng w_th _s." H_ s__d th_ __d w__ld h_lp th_ T_l_b_n t_ st_p _ns_c_r_ty _n th_ c__ntry. H_ s__d _t w__ld _ls_ h_lp th_ T_l_b_n t_ "_ng_g_ p_s_t_v_ly w_th th_ w_rld".

PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2021/10/211014-g20-leaders.html>

the g20 is a group of 19 rich countries plus the european union it meets to talk about and act on major world problems it has just met to discuss the future of afghanistan leaders of the g20 promised to stop afghanistan falling into deeper economic chaos since the taliban took over afghanistan in august the economy has almost collapsed germanys leader angela merkel said it was essential to help afghanistan she said if the countrys financial system collapsed no humanitarian aid could be given she added to look on as 40 million people descend into chaos because theres no financial system must not be the goal of the international community

the g20 leaders will involve the taliban in sending humanitarian aid to afghanistan mario draghi the italian prime minister and current leader of the g20 said it is very hard to see how you can help people in afghanistan without involving the taliban the eu said it would increase the amount of aid it gives the country to 115 billion the imf and world Bank said they would also provide aid but did not say how much the talibans acting foreign minister amir khan muttaqi said the international community needs to start cooperating with us he said the aid would help the taliban to stop insecurity in the country he said it would also help the taliban to engage positively with the world

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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The G20 is a group of 19 rich countries plus the European Union. It meets to talk about and act on major world problems. It has just met to discuss the future of Afghanistan. Leaders of the G20 promised to stop Afghanistan from falling into deep economic chaos. Since the Taliban took over Afghanistan in August, the economy has almost collapsed. Germany's leader Angela Merkel said it was essential to help Afghanistan. She said if the country's financial system collapsed, no humanitarian aid could be given. She added: "To look on as 40 million people descend into chaos because there's no financial system must not be the goal of the international community." The G20 leaders will involve the Taliban in sending humanitarian aid to Afghanistan. Mario Draghi, the Italian prime minister and current leader of the G20, said: "It is very hard to see how you can help people in Afghanistan without involving the Taliban." The EU said they would increase the amount of aid it gives the country to \$1.15 billion. The IMF and World Bank said it would also provide aid but did not say how much. The Taliban's acting foreign minister, Amir Khan Muttaqi, said: "The international community needs to start cooperating with us." He said the aid would help the Taliban to top in security in the country. He said it would also help the Taliban to "engage positively with the world".

FREE WRITING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2021/10/14-g20-leaders.html>

Write about **Afghanistan** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner's paper.

ACADEMIC WRITING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com2110/211014-g20-leaders.html>

It is essential to give Afghanistan as much aid as possible. Discuss.

Lined writing area with 23 horizontal lines.

HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. AFGHANISTAN: Make a poster about Afghanistan. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. AID: Write a magazine article about aid only being given to charities and not to governments. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on Afghanistan. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to help Afghanistan. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. b 2. d 3. f 4. e 5. c 6. g 7. a
8. h 9. j 10. l 11. m 12. n 13. k 14. i

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- 1 T 2 F 3 T 4 F 5 T 6 T 7 F 8 T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. g	2. e	3. j	4. b	5. h
6. a	7. c	8. f	9. d	10. i

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

- Nineteen
- Major world problems
- Chaos
- Angela Merkel
- 40 million
- The Taliban
- Italy
- \$1.15 billion
- We don't know yet
- The Taliban's acting foreign minister

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.19)

- Talk about and act on major world problems.
- It met to discuss the future of Afghanistan.
- Stop Afghanistan falling into deeper economic chaos.
- She said if the country's financial system collapsed.
- It's the goal of the international community.
- It's hard to see how you can help.
- The IMF said it would also provide aid.
- The international community needs to start cooperating.
- Help the Taliban to stop insecurity in Afghanistan.
- Help the Taliban to engage with the world.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. c 2. a 3. b 4. d 5. c 6. b 7. d 8. b 9. b 10. a

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)