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Level 5 – 1st November, 2021

Greta Thunberg "not officially" invited to COP26

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Please try Levels 4 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2111/211101-cop26-5.html>

Presidents and prime ministers from 200 nations have arrived in the city of Glasgow in Scotland for the 26th UN Climate Change Conference - COP26. One notable person is missing. Swedish climate activist Greta Thunberg has been omitted from the invitation list. Ms Thunberg, 18, is unsure as to whether she will be allowed to attend any of the meetings. Speaking to the BBC, she said: "It's very unclear. Not officially [invited]." She added: "I think that many people might be scared that if they invite too many radical young people, then that might make them look bad."

U.S. President Joe Biden will be at the event. He was in Rome on Friday for a meeting with the Pope. Climate activists found his 95-car motorcade a little ironic, just two days ahead of a climate conference. Ms Thunberg criticised the conference for its lack of delegates from developing countries. She said: "We need more representation from the Global South." The UK's Prime Minister Boris Johnson is hosting the conference. He said: "COP26 must mark the beginning of the end of climate change." He added: "Too many countries are still doing too little."

Sources: <https://news.yahoo.com/greta-thunberg-london-protests-cop26-122906794.html>
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PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2111/211101-cop26-5.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Presidents and | a. young people |
| 2. One notable | b. to attend |
| 3. omitted from the | c. be scared |
| 4. she will be allowed | d. person is missing |
| 5. It's very | e. look bad |
| 6. many people might | f. prime ministers |
| 7. too many radical | g. invitation list |
| 8. that might make them | h. unclear |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. his 95-car | a. representation |
| 2. a little | b. of delegates |
| 3. lack | c. motorcade |
| 4. developing | d. too little |
| 5. We need more | e. countries |
| 6. Boris Johnson is hosting | f. of the end |
| 7. mark the beginning | g. ironic |
| 8. countries are still doing | h. the conference |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Presidents and prime ministers from 200

(1) _____ in the city of Glasgow in Scotland for the 26th UN Climate Change Conference - COP26.

(2) _____ is missing. Swedish climate activist Greta Thunberg (3) _____ from the invitation list.

Ms Thunberg, 18, is unsure as to whether she will be

(4) _____ any of the meetings. Speaking to the BBC, she said: "It's very unclear. (5) _____." She

added: "I think that many people might be scared that if they invite too (6) _____ people, then that might make them look bad."

U.S. President Joe Biden will be (7) _____. He was

in Rome on Friday for a meeting with the Pope. Climate activists found his 95-car motorcade (8) _____, just two

days ahead of a climate conference. Ms Thunberg criticised the conference for its (9) _____ from developing

countries. She said: "We need more representation from the Global South." The UK's Prime Minister Boris Johnson

(10) _____ conference. He said: "COP26 must

(11) _____ of the end of climate change." He added: "Too many countries are still (12) _____."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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CLIMATE CHANGE SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2111/211101-cop26-4.html>

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) _____

