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Ex-world boxing champions to defend Ukraine

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2202/220228-klitschko-brothers.html>

Two former Ukrainian boxing world champions have joined what is probably the greatest fight of their lives. The two are brothers, and they have vowed to take up arms to help defend the Ukrainian capital Kyiv. Vitali Klitschko, 50, is the current mayor of Kyiv. He retired from a glittering career in boxing in 2013, having been heavyweight champion for over a decade. He told reporters that he would fight. He said: "I don't have another choice. I have to do that. I'll be fighting. It's already a bloody war." Vitali's brother Wladimir, 45, dominated the heavyweight and superheavyweight divisions for 15 years. He tweeted: "Destruction and death come upon us....We will defend ourselves with all our might and fight for freedom and democracy."

The boxing siblings have joined the ranks of their compatriots and fellow citizens in mounting a defence of their city. Authorities have already distributed 18,000 rifles to Kyiv residents to defend themselves. There are also images on social media of old women learning to make Molotov cocktails. The two brothers have been outspoken critics of Russia's President Putin and are aware of the danger they now face. Yahoo Sports highlighted the perils that lie ahead. It wrote: "There is an immense amount of bravery required to slip between the ropes and fight another man who has trained for months to defeat you. That's child's play compared to the fight the Klitschkos face today."

Sources: <https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/world/two-ukrainian-brothers-former-world-boxing-champs-ready-to-fight-russian-troops/ar-AAUjZiB>
<https://sports.yahoo.com/vitali-klitschko-an-outspoken-putin-critic-may-have-signed-his-own-death-warrant-145626700.html>
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WARM-UPS

1. BRAVERY: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about bravery. 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?

Ukraine / fight / take up arms / capital / boxing / champion / war / defend / freedom
siblings / compatriots / citizens / outspoken / critics / bravery / danger / defeat

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

3. BOXER MAYOR: Students A **strongly** believe boxers have got what it takes to be great mayors; Students B **strongly** believe other. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. FIGHT: Which of these things would you fight for? How far would you go? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Why?	How Far?
Democracy		
Freedom		
Food		
Equality		
Religious belief		
The environment		

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

6. BRAVERY: Rank these with your partner. Put the bravest things at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Standing in front of a tank
- Criticising national leaders
- Taking up arms
- Becoming a soldier
- Deactivating a bomb
- Entering a burning building
- Standing up against tyrants
- Staying to fight

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|-----------------|--|
| 1. former | a. Began fighting or got ready to fight with weapons. |
| 2. vowed | b. Was the most important or conspicuous person or thing. |
| 3. take up arms | c. Having previously been a particular thing. |
| 4. glittering | d. Promised to do a specified thing. |
| 5. bloody | e. Shining with a shimmering or sparkling light. |
| 6. dominated | f. Involving or characterized by bloodshed or cruelty. |
| 7. might | g. Great and impressive power or strength, especially of a nation, large organization, or natural force. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|------------------|---|
| 8. siblings | h. Serious and immediate danger. |
| 9. compatriot | i. Brothers and sisters. |
| 10. mounting | j. Very honest in stating one's opinions, especially if they are shocking or controversial. |
| 11. outspoken | k. Extremely large or great, especially in scale or degree. |
| 12. peril | l. A fellow citizen or national of a country. |
| 13. immense | m. A task which is easily accomplished. |
| 14. child's play | n. Organizing and initiating a campaign or other course of action. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2202/220228-klitschko-brothers.html>

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

1. Two heavyweight greats are going to fight each other. **T / F**
2. The elder brother is the mayor of Kyiv. **T / F**
3. Vitali Klitschko said the only choice he has is to fight. **T / F**
4. The younger brother was a boxing world champion in two divisions. **T / F**
5. The city of Kyiv has given residents 18,000 rifles. **T / F**
6. Only one of the brothers has criticised Russia's president. **T / F**
7. Yahoo Sports said it wasn't so brave to step into a boxing ring. **T / F**
8. Yahoo said boxing was child's play compared to the fight in Kyiv. **T / F**

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

- | | |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| 1. former | a. vocal |
| 2. vowed | b. incumbent |
| 3. current | c. huge |
| 4. bloody | d. protect |
| 5. defend | e. conscious |
| 6. joined | f. promised |
| 7. outspoken | g. easy |
| 8. aware | h. ex- |
| 9. immense | i. enlisted in |
| 10. child's play | j. cruel |

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

- | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. vowed to take | a. of their compatriots |
| 2. the current | b. critics |
| 3. He retired from a glittering | c. all our might |
| 4. It's already a bloody | d. up arms |
| 5. We will defend ourselves with | e. bravery |
| 6. joined the ranks | f. career in boxing |
| 7. mounting a | g. play |
| 8. outspoken | h. mayor of Kyiv |
| 9. an immense amount of | i. defence of their city |
| 10. That's child's | j. war |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2202/220228-klitschko-brothers.html>

Two former Ukrainian boxing world champions have joined what is probably the (1) _____ fight of their lives. The two are brothers, and they have (2) _____ to take up arms to help defend the Ukrainian capital Kyiv. Vitali Klitschko, 50, is the current (3) _____ of Kyiv. He retired from a (4) _____ career in boxing in 2013, having been heavyweight champion for over a decade. He told reporters that he would fight. He said: "I don't have another (5) _____. I have to do that. I'll be fighting. It's already a (6) _____ war." Vitali's brother Wladimir, 45, dominated the heavyweight and superheavyweight (7) _____ for 15 years. He tweeted: "Destruction and death come upon us....We will defend ourselves with all our (8) _____ and fight for freedom and democracy."

mayor
glittering
might
greatest
bloody
vowed
divisions
choice

The boxing siblings have joined the ranks of their compatriots and fellow citizens in (9) _____ a defence of their city. Authorities have already distributed 18,000 rifles to Kyiv residents to defend themselves. There are also (10) _____ on social media of old women learning to make Molotov (11) _____. The two brothers have been (12) _____ critics of Russia's President Putin and are aware of the danger they now face. Yahoo Sports highlighted the (13) _____ that lie ahead. It wrote: "There is an (14) _____ amount of bravery required to slip between the ropes and fight another man who has trained for months to (15) _____ you. That's child's play (16) _____ to the fight the Klitschkos face today."

outspoken
immense
images
compared
perils
defeat
mounting
cocktails

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2202/220228-klitschko-brothers.html>

- 1) boxing world champions have joined what is probably the greatest fight _____
 - a. of their livings
 - b. of their alive
 - c. of their lives
 - d. of their relives
- 2) The two are brothers, and they have vowed to _____
 - a. take up arms
 - b. take up alms
 - c. take up aims
 - d. take up ohms
- 3) Vitali Klitschko, 50, is the current mayor of Kyiv. He retired from _____
 - a. a glitter ring career
 - b. a glitter ink career
 - c. a glitter rink career
 - d. a glittering career
- 4) I don't have another choice. I have to do that. I'll be fighting. It's already _____
 - a. a blooded war
 - b. a blood dye war
 - c. a bloody war
 - d. a blood die war
- 5) Destruction and death come upon us....We will defend ourselves with _____
 - a. all our might
 - b. all our may
 - c. all our mite
 - d. all our could
- 6) The boxing siblings have joined the ranks of their compatriots _____
 - a. and fallow citizens
 - b. and fell low citizens
 - c. and feel low citizens
 - d. and fellow citizens
- 7) There are also images on social media of old women learning to _____
 - a. make Molotov cocktail
 - b. make Molotov cocktails
 - c. make Molotov mocktail
 - d. make Molotov mocktails
- 8) Russia's President Putin and are aware of the danger _____
 - a. they know face
 - b. they now phase
 - c. they now face
 - d. they now faze
- 9) There is an immense amount of bravery required to slip _____
 - a. between the rope
 - b. between the ropes
 - c. between the dopes
 - d. between the mopes
- 10) fight another man who has trained for months to defeat you. _____
 - a. That's child play
 - b. That's chilled play
 - c. That's child's play
 - d. That's child display

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2202/220228-klitschko-brothers.html>

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2202/220228-klitschko-brothers.html>

1. What have the brothers vowed to take up?
2. How old is Vitali Klitschko?
3. What kind of career does the article say Vitali Klitschko had?
4. What kind of war did Vitali Klitschko was already taking place?
5. What did Wladimir Klitschko say he would use to protect freedom?
6. How many rifles have authorities given to Kyiv citizens?
7. What are there images of people making on social media?
8. Who highlighted the perils the Klitschko brothers faced?
9. What did a website say was required to get into a boxing ring?
10. What did the website compare getting into a boxing ring to?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2202/220228-klitschko-brothers.html>

- 1) What have the brothers vowed to take up?
 - a) legs
 - b) arms
 - c) boxing
 - d) issues
- 2) How old is Vitali Klitschko?
 - a) 42
 - b) 45
 - c) 48
 - d) 50
- 3) What kind of career does the article say Vitali Klitschko had?
 - a) long
 - b) bloody
 - c) glittering
 - d) brutal
- 4) What kind of war did Vitali Klitschko was already taking place?
 - a) a bloody one
 - b) a cyber-war
 - c) a conventional war
 - d) an elongated war
- 5) What did Wladimir Klitschko say he would use to protect freedom?
 - a) his boxing gloves
 - b) all his might
 - c) words
 - d) the Internet
- 6) How many rifles have authorities given to Kyiv citizens?
 - a) 18,000
 - b) 19,000
 - c) 20,000
 - d) 22,000
- 7) What are there images of people making on social media?
 - a) guns
 - b) barricades
 - c) Molotov cocktails
 - d) fake tanks
- 8) Who highlighted the perils the Klitschko brothers faced?
 - a) Yahoo Sports
 - b) MSN
 - c) BBC
 - d) Al Jazeera
- 9) What did a website say was required to get into a boxing ring?
 - a) a license
 - b) gloves
 - c) skill
 - d) immense bravery
- 10) What did the website compare getting into a boxing ring to?
 - a) being a soldier
 - b) Formula 1
 - c) child's play
 - d) a bull fight

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Standing in front of a Tank

You think standing in front of a tank is the bravest action. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their actions aren't as brave. Also, tell the others which is the least brave of these (and why): standing up against tyrants, staying to fight or dismantling a bomb.

Role B – Standing up against Tyrants

You think standing up against tyrants is the bravest action. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their actions aren't as brave. Also, tell the others which is the least brave of these (and why): standing in front of a tank, staying to fight or dismantling a bomb.

Role C – Staying to Fight

You think staying to fight is the bravest action. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their actions aren't as brave. Also, tell the others which is the least brave of these (and why): standing up against tyrants, standing in front of a tank or dismantling a bomb.

Role D – Deactivating a Bomb

You think dismantling a bomb is the bravest action. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their actions aren't as brave. Also, tell the others which is the least brave of these (and why): standing up against tyrants, staying to fight or standing in front of a tank.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2202/220228-klitschko-brothers.html>

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

boxing	champion

- 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">• former• vowed• current• decade• bloody• might	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ranks• rifles• cocktails• immense• ropes• play
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BRAVERY SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2202/220228-klitschko-brothers.html>

Write five GOOD questions about bravery 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.

BRAVERY 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 'boxing'?
3. What do you think of boxing?
4. What do you know about Vitali and Wladimir Klitschko?
5. What has been the greatest fight of your life?
6. Why might a boxer be a good mayor?
7. What do you think of the brothers for fighting for Ukraine?
8. Would you fight for your country?
9. How important are freedom and democracy to you?
10. What advice do you have for the Klitschko brothers?

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BRAVERY 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 'champion'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What do you think of the attack on Kyiv?
15. What is the difference between the names Kyiv and Kiev?
16. What are the dangers the Klitschko brothers face?
17. How brave are the Klitschko brothers?
18. What is the biggest show of bravery you've ever displayed?
19. What kind of person makes a good boxer?
20. What questions would you like to ask the Klitschko brothers?

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) firmer | (b) farmer | (c) framer | (d) former |
| 2. | (a) rowed | (b) bowed | (c) wowed | (d) vowed |
| 3. | (a) sparkles | (b) glittering | (c) glistened | (d) shine |
| 4. | (a) choose | (b) chosen | (c) choice | (d) choosy |
| 5. | (a) divisions | (b) multiplies | (c) additions | (d) subtractions |
| 6. | (a) might | (b) may | (c) could | (d) would |
| 7. | (a) hanks | (b) tanks | (c) banks | (d) ranks |
| 8. | (a) residents | (b) resides | (c) residential | (d) residence |
| 9. | (a) speak up | (b) outspoken | (c) speaker | (d) spoken |
| 10. | (a) lay | (b) lit | (c) lie | (d) lee |
| 11. | (a) threads | (b) twines | (c) ropes | (d) yarns |
| 12. | (a) toy | (b) child's | (c) hobby | (d) big |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. ovdew to take up arms
2. a rnglgttiei career in boxing
3. for over a aeeddc
4. Wladimir, 45, admndtieo
5. euortndcits and death
6. freedom and mcoeydarc

Paragraph 2

7. The boxing sgilsbin have joined the ranks
8. their omcprattsio and fellow citizens
9. direibtdtsu 18,000 rifles
10. toepsnuok critics
11. highlighted the lsepri that lie ahead
12. an mseinme amount of bravery

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2202/220228-klitschko-brothers.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- (**1**) Two former Ukrainian boxing world champions have joined what is probably the greatest fight of their
- () capital Kyiv. Vitali Klitschko, 50, is the current mayor of Kyiv. He retired from a glittering
- () themselves. There are also images on social media of old women learning to make Molotov cocktails. The two brothers have been outspoken
- () that lie ahead. It wrote: "There is an immense amount of bravery required to slip between
- () you. That's child's play compared to the fight the Klitschkos face today."
- () lives. The two are brothers, and they have vowed to take up arms to help defend the Ukrainian
- () a defence of their city. Authorities have already distributed 18,000 rifles to Kyiv residents to defend
- () The boxing siblings have joined the ranks of their compatriots and fellow citizens in mounting
- () the ropes and fight another man who has trained for months to defeat
- () and death come upon us....We will defend ourselves with all our might and fight for freedom and democracy."
- () war." Vitali's brother Wladimir, 45, dominated the heavyweight and superheavyweight divisions for 15 years. He tweeted: "Destruction
- () reporters that he would fight. He said: "I don't have another choice. I have to do that. I'll be fighting. It's already a bloody
- () critics of Russia's President Putin and are aware of the danger they now face. Yahoo Sports highlighted the perils
- () career in boxing in 2013, having been heavyweight champion for over a decade. He told

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2202/220228-klitschko-brothers.html>

1. up They have vowed arms . to take
2. boxing . from career in glittering retired He a
3. a champion Having heavyweight decade . for been over
4. fight a bloody war . it's because I'll already
5. defend will our with ourselves might . We all
6. joined The their siblings ranks of the compatriots .
7. Kyiv have distributed rifles residents . to 18,000 Authorities
8. Molotov to people cocktails . learning make of Images
9. of aware They face . are danger the they
10. man . between Slip to another fight ropes the

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2202/220228-klitschko-brothers.html>

Two former Ukrainian boxing world champions have *joined / joint* what is probably the greatest fight of their lives. The two are brothers, and they have *wowed / vowed* to take up arms to help *defence / defend* the Ukrainian capital Kyiv. Vitali Klitschko, 50, is the *currant / current* mayor of Kyiv. He retired from a *glitter / glittering* career in boxing in 2013, having been heavyweight champion for over a *decade / decadence*. He told reporters that he would fight. He said: "I don't have another *chosen / choice*. I have to do that. I'll be fighting. It's already a *bloody / blood* war." Vitali's brother Wladimir, 45, dominated the heavyweight and superheavyweight divisions for 15 years. He tweeted: "Destruction and death come *upon / anon* us....We will defend ourselves with all our *might / may* and fight for freedom and democracy."

The boxing siblings have joined the *rinks / ranks* of their compatriots and fellow citizens in *mounting / dismounting* a defence of their city. Authorities have already distributed 18,000 rifles to Kyiv *residence / residents* to defend themselves. There are also *images / image* on social media of old women learning to make Molotov cocktails. The two brothers have been outspoken *critics / criticises* of Russia's President Putin and are *beware / aware* of the danger they now *head / face*. Yahoo Sports highlighted the perils that *lay / lie* ahead. It wrote: "There is an immense amount of bravery required to *slip / ship* between the ropes and fight another man who has trained for months to defeat you. That's child's *pay / play* compared to the fight the Klitschkos face today."

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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Tw_ f_rm_r _kr__n__n b_x_ng w_rld ch_mp__ns h_v_
j__n_d wh_t _s pr_b_bly th_ gr__t_st f_gh_t _f th__r
l_v_s. Th_ tw_ _r_ br_th_rs, _nd th_y h_v_ v_w_d t_
t_k_ _p _rms t_ h_lp d_f_nd th_ _kr__n__n c_p_t_l
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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FREE WRITING

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

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

4. TAKE UP ARMS: Write a magazine article about people taking up arms to defend their country. 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 bravery. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three examples of times you were brave. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

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

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

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

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

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

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

- Arms
- 50
- Glittering
- A bloody war
- All his might
- 18,000
- Molotov cocktails
- Yahoo Sports
- Immense bravery
- Child's play

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.19)

- They have vowed to take up arms.
- He retired from a glittering career in boxing.
- Having been heavyweight champion for over a decade.
- I'll fight because it's already a bloody war.
- We will defend ourselves with all our might.
- The siblings joined the ranks of their compatriots.
- Authorities have distributed 18,000 rifles to Kyiv residents.
- Images of people learning to make Molotov cocktails.
- They are aware of the danger they face.
- Slip between the ropes to fight another man.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

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

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

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