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Level 0 – 1st May 2025

Animal puppets walk 20,000 km for climate action

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

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THE READING

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A 20,000-km walk from Congo to Norway has started. It is called The Herds. It will teach people about the climate crisis. Hundreds of life-sized puppets of animals are on the walk. The Herds will show how climate change is a danger to animals. A spokesperson said The Herds is a "coming together of culture and climate".

The animal puppets will visit 20 cities in Africa and Europe. Each city will have street performances. These will focus on how we can help Earth. The Herds will teach millions of people about nature. An environmentalist says The Herds will teach people about climate change and biodiversity loss.

Sources: <https://www.theherds.org/about>
<https://www.theguardian.com/global-development/2025/apr/25/puppet-herd-animals-climate-crisis-africa-arctic-circle-little-amal>
<https://www.euronews.com/culture/2024/07/16/the-herds-the-animal-puppets-art-project-set-to-travel-20000km-across-the-world>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. A 20,000-km walk | a. about the climate |
| 2. It will teach people | b. show how |
| 3. Hundreds of life- | c. climate |
| 4. animals are on | d. together |
| 5. The Herds will | e. from Congo to Norway |
| 6. a danger | f. the walk |
| 7. The Herds is a coming | g. to animals |
| 8. culture and | h. sized puppets |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. animal | a. change |
| 2. visit 20 | b. on how we can help |
| 3. in Africa | c. loss |
| 4. street | d. puppets |
| 5. These will focus | e. people |
| 6. millions of | f. and Europe |
| 7. teach people about climate | g. performances |
| 8. biodiversity | h. cities |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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(1) _____ walk from Congo to Norway has started. (2) _____ The Herds. It will (3) _____ the climate crisis. Hundreds of life-sized puppets of animals are (4) _____. The Herds will show how climate change is a (5) _____. A spokesperson said The Herds is a "coming together of (6) _____".

The animal (7) _____ 20 cities in Africa and Europe. Each city (8) _____ performances. These will (9) _____ we can help Earth. The Herds (10) _____ of people about nature.

(11) _____ The Herds will teach people about climate change (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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THE CLIMATE CRISIS SURVEY

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

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