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## **Level 0**

### **President Obama to visit Hiroshima**

**25th May, 2016**

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

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# THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1605/160525-obama-hiroshima-0.html>

Barack Obama will be the first U.S. president to visit Hiroshima. Hiroshima is the first city where an atomic bomb fell. Around 140,000 people died. Some people say it helped end World War II. Mr Obama will not say sorry for the bombing. He will look to the future of the USA and Japan.

Mr Obama said his visit is a time to remember that war is bad. It causes death. It is also to remember the dead. He doesn't want nuclear weapons to be used again. He said innocent people in wars suffer a lot. He added: "And that's not just the thing of the past. That is happening today in many parts of the world."

Sources: <http://www.newsday.com/opinion/obama-s-hiroshima-trip-just-more-of-the-same-1.11823516>  
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<http://www.asahi.com/ajw/articles/AJ201605230021.html>

# PHRASE MATCHING

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## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                           |                         |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Obama will be the      | a. end World War II     |
| 2. visit                  | b. fell                 |
| 3. Hiroshima is the first | c. sorry                |
| 4. an atomic bomb         | d. first U.S. president |
| 5. Around 140,000 people  | e. city                 |
| 6. it helped              | f. to the future        |
| 7. say                    | g. Hiroshima            |
| 8. He will look           | h. died                 |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                     |                 |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. his visit is a time              | a. past         |
| 2. It causes                        | b. weapons      |
| 3. It is also to remember           | c. today        |
| 4. nuclear                          | d. death        |
| 5. innocent                         | e. of the world |
| 6. that's not just the thing of the | f. to remember  |
| 7. That is happening                | g. people       |
| 8. in many parts                    | h. the dead     |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Barack Obama (1) \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. president to visit

Hiroshima. Hiroshima (2) \_\_\_\_\_ city where an

atomic (3) \_\_\_\_\_. Around 140,000 people died.

Some people (4) \_\_\_\_\_ end World War II. Mr

Obama will (5) \_\_\_\_\_ for the bombing. He will

look to the (6) \_\_\_\_\_ USA and Japan.

Mr Obama said (7) \_\_\_\_\_ a time to remember

that war is bad. (8) \_\_\_\_\_. It is also to

remember the dead. He (9) \_\_\_\_\_ nuclear

weapons to (10) \_\_\_\_\_. He said innocent

people in wars (11) \_\_\_\_\_. He added: "And

that's not just the thing of the past. That is happening today

(12) \_\_\_\_\_ the world."

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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hebombing.HewilllooktothefutureoftheUSAandJapan.MrObamasaid  
hisvisitistimetorememberthatwarisbad.Itcausesdeath.Itisalsotore  
memberthedead.Hedoesn'twantnuclearweaponstobeusedagain.He  
saidinnocentpeopleinwarssufferalot.Headded:"Andthat'snotjustthe  
thingofthepast.Thatis happeningtodayinmanypartsoftheworld."

# HIROSHIMA SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1605/160525-obama-hiroshima-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about Hiroshima 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<br>_____ | STUDENT 2<br>_____ | STUDENT 3<br>_____ |
|------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 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

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1605/160525-obama-hiroshima-0.html>

Write about **Hiroshima** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.

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