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Level 0

Arab nations cut ties with Qatar

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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/1707/170607-qatar-0.html>

Six Gulf Arab countries have cut ties with Qatar. They say Qatar supports terrorism. Saudi Arabia said it has to protect its security. It said Qatar had terrorist groups that created instability in the region. Qatar said this is not true and the Arab countries are being unfair. It said the cut ties would not change people's lives in Qatar.

Qatar now has a difficult future. Air, land and sea links from the Arab nations are closed. This will be a problem for people in Qatar. There is a rush to buy food. Qatar Airways will have to change its routes. Stadiums for the 2022 World Cup will take longer to build. Citizens from Saudi and the UAE have 14 days to leave Qatar.

Sources: <http://www.bbc.com/news/business-40156029>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Six Gulf | a. lives |
| 2. They say Qatar | b. security |
| 3. it has to protect its | c. created instability |
| 4. terrorist groups that | d. true |
| 5. in the | e. supports terrorism |
| 6. Qatar said this is not | f. being unfair |
| 7. the Arab countries are | g. region |
| 8. change people's | h. Arab countries |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Qatar now has a difficult | a. Qatar |
| 2. Air, land and sea | b. build |
| 3. This will be a | c. links |
| 4. for people in | d. its routes |
| 5. There is a rush | e. future |
| 6. Qatar Airways will have to change | f. to leave Qatar |
| 7. take longer to | g. problem |
| 8. 14 days | h. to buy food |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Six Gulf Arab (1) _____ ties with Qatar. They say Qatar (2) _____. Saudi Arabia said it has to (3) _____. It said Qatar had terrorist groups that created instability in the region. Qatar (4) _____ true and the Arab countries (5) _____. It said the cut ties would not change (6) _____ Qatar.

Qatar now (7) _____ future. Air, land and sea links from the Arab nations are closed. (8) _____ problem for people in Qatar. There (9) _____ buy food. Qatar Airways will (10) _____ its routes. Stadiums for the 2022 World Cup (11) _____ to build. Citizens from Saudi and the UAE have (12) _____ Qatar.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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QATAR SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1707/170607-qatar-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about Qatar 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) _____

