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Level 5 – 21st December

Women to catch up with men's pay in 200 years

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

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THE READING

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There is a long way to go before women achieve equality. According to the recently released annual Global Gender Gap Report from the World Economic Forum, it will be more than 200 years before women and men have economic parity. The report found women lag far behind men in many areas. Women currently earn about 20-30 per cent less on average than their male counterparts. One reason for this is the lack of women in management positions. The report said: "In the workplace, women still encounter significant obstacles in taking on managerial or senior official roles."

The World Economic Forum found that inequality closed by only a small amount in the past year. The largest gap between the sexes was in politics. It said: "Only 23 per cent of the political gap...has been closed, and no country has yet fully closed political empowerment gaps." Wide gaps still exist in healthcare and education opportunities. The report said: "The equal contribution of women and men in this process of deep economic and societal transformation is critical. More than ever, societies cannot afford to lose out on the skills, ideas and perspectives of half of humanity."

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. There is a long | a. of women |
| 2. women and men have economic | b. obstacles |
| 3. Women currently earn about | c. way to go |
| 4. than their male | d. roles |
| 5. One reason for this is the lack | e. parity |
| 6. management | f. counterparts |
| 7. women still encounter significant | g. 20-30 per cent less |
| 8. senior official | h. positions |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. inequality closed by only | a. and perspectives |
| 2. The largest gap between | b. political gap |
| 3. Only 23 per cent of the | c. out |
| 4. Wide gaps still | d. the sexes |
| 5. societal transformation | e. humanity |
| 6. societies cannot afford to lose | f. a small amount |
| 7. skills, ideas | g. is critical |
| 8. half of | h. exist in healthcare |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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There is a (1) _____ go before women achieve equality. According to the recently released annual Global Gender Gap Report from the World Economic Forum, it will (2) _____ 200 years before women (3) _____ economic parity. The report found women lag far behind men in many areas. Women currently earn about 20-30 per cent (4) _____ than their male counterparts. One reason for this is (5) _____ women in management positions. The report said: "In the workplace, women still encounter significant obstacles (6) _____ managerial or senior official roles."

The World Economic Forum (7) _____ closed by only a small amount in the past year. The largest gap between (8) _____ in politics. It said: "Only 23 per cent of (9) _____...has been closed, and no country has (10) _____ political empowerment gaps." Wide gaps still exist in healthcare and education opportunities. The report said: "(11) _____ of women and men in this process of deep economic and societal transformation is critical. More than ever, societies cannot afford to (12) _____ the skills, ideas and perspectives of half of humanity."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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THE GENDER PAY GAP SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1812/181221-gender-pay-gap-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about the gender pay gap 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 gender pay gap** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
