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**Level 4** – 15th January, 2019

## Saudi teen welcomed as refugee in Canada

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Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1901/190115-asylum-seeker-4.html>

The Saudi teenager who fled Saudi Arabia has been given asylum by Canada. Rahaf Mohammed, 18, arrived in Toronto on Saturday. She was greeted by Canada's Foreign Minister, who told reporters: "This is a very brave new Canadian. Rahaf wanted Canadians to see that she has arrived at her new home. She has had a very long and tiring journey. She is now going to her new home." Rahaf was all smiles and wearing a hoodie decorated with the word "Canada".

Rahaf said her family want to kill her. She was detained in Bangkok while trying to board a flight to Australia. She asked for help on Twitter and her story got worldwide attention. The United Nations gave her refugee status. Canada granting asylum to Rahaf could worsen relations between the two countries. Relations are already strained after Canada called for the release of a jailed human rights activist. Saudi stopped new trade with Canada.

Sources: <https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2019-01-12/urgent-the-latest-saudi-woman-fleeing-family-arrives-in-canada>  
<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-thailand-saudi/saudi-teen-who-fled-family-welcomed-as-brave-new-canadian-in-toronto-idUSKCN1P60IE>  
<https://www.ctvnews.ca/canada/freeland-welcomes-brave-new-canadian-as-saudi-teen-lands-in-toronto-1.4250934>

# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1901/190115-asylum-seeker-4.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                                |                      |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. The Saudi teenager who      | a. smiles            |
| 2. given                       | b. Foreign Minister  |
| 3. She was greeted by Canada's | c. hoodie            |
| 4. This is a very brave        | d. tiring journey    |
| 5. a very long and             | e. asylum            |
| 6. She is now going            | f. new Canadian      |
| 7. Rahaf was all               | g. fled Saudi Arabia |
| 8. wearing a                   | h. to her new home   |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                  |                    |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. She was detained              | a. strained        |
| 2. while trying to board         | b. attention       |
| 3. her story got worldwide       | c. with Canada     |
| 4. The United Nations gave her   | d. a flight        |
| 5. worsen relations              | e. rights activist |
| 6. Relations are already         | f. in Bangkok      |
| 7. the release of a jailed human | g. between the two |
| 8. Saudi stopped new trade       | h. refugee status  |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The Saudi (1) \_\_\_\_\_ Saudi Arabia has been given asylum by Canada. Rahaf Mohammed, 18, (2) \_\_\_\_\_ on Saturday.

She was greeted by Canada's Foreign Minister, (3) \_\_\_\_\_:

"This is a very brave new Canadian. Rahaf wanted Canadians (4) \_\_\_\_\_ she has arrived at her new home. She has had a very long (5) \_\_\_\_\_. She is now going to her new home."

Rahaf was all smiles and wearing a hoodie (6) \_\_\_\_\_ word "Canada".

Rahaf said her family want to kill her. She (7) \_\_\_\_\_

Bangkok while trying to (8) \_\_\_\_\_ to Australia. She asked

for help on Twitter and her story (9) \_\_\_\_\_. The United

Nations gave her refugee status. Canada (10) \_\_\_\_\_ Rahaf

could worsen relations between the two countries. Relations are already

strained after Canada called (11) \_\_\_\_\_ of a jailed human

rights activist. Saudi stopped (12) \_\_\_\_\_ Canada.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# ASYLUM SEEKERS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1901/190115-asylum-seeker-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about asylum seekers 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

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1901/190115-asylum-seeker-4.html>

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

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