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Level 4 – 4th February, 2019

EU angers UK by calling Gibraltar a 'colony'

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THE READING

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The UK objected to the EU calling the island of Gibraltar a "colony". An EU document about UK citizens travelling to the EU after Brexit says: "Gibraltar is a colony of the British Crown. There is a controversy...concerning the sovereignty over Gibraltar, a territory for which a solution has to be reached." The UK replied: "Gibraltar is not a colony and it is completely inappropriate to describe it in this way....Gibraltar is...part of the UK....This will not change."

Gibraltar is a British Overseas Territory next to Spain's coast. Over 30,000 people live there. In 1704 Britain captured it in a war. Spain gave it to the UK in 1713, but still claims the territory. It wants the EU to exclude Gibraltar from agreements with the UK. Gibraltar voted against a shared UK-Spanish sovereignty by 99% to 1% in 2002. Gibraltar said Spain was a bully. It said Spain's government was "making provocative statements in respect of Gibraltar".

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. UK citizens travelling | a. this way |
| 2. Gibraltar is a colony | b. to be reached |
| 3. concerning the sovereignty | c. change |
| 4. a solution has | d. of the British Crown |
| 5. Gibraltar is not | e. inappropriate |
| 6. it is completely | f. to the EU |
| 7. describe it in | g. a colony |
| 8. This will not | h. over Gibraltar |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Gibraltar is a British | a. live there |
| 2. next to Spain's | b. of Gibraltar |
| 3. Over 30,000 people | c. the UK in 1713 |
| 4. Britain captured | d. was a bully |
| 5. Spain gave it to | e. statements |
| 6. Gibraltar said Spain | f. it in a war |
| 7. making provocative | g. Overseas Territory |
| 8. in respect | h. coast |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The UK objected to the EU (1) _____ of Gibraltar a "colony". An EU document about UK (2) _____ the EU after Brexit says: "Gibraltar is (3) _____ the British Crown. There is a controversy...concerning the sovereignty over Gibraltar, a territory for which (4) _____ to be reached." The UK replied: "Gibraltar is not a colony and (5) _____ inappropriate to describe it in this way....Gibraltar is... (6) _____ UK....This will not change."

Gibraltar is a British Overseas Territory next (7) _____. Over 30,000 people live there. In 1704 Britain (8) _____ a war. Spain gave it to the UK in 1713, (9) _____ the territory. It wants the EU to exclude Gibraltar (10) _____ the UK. Gibraltar voted against a shared UK-Spanish sovereignty by 99% to 1% in 2002. Gibraltar said Spain (11) _____. It said Spain's government was "making provocative statements (12) _____ Gibraltar".

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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COLONIES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about colonies 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) _____

