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Level 6

6,000 held after failed Turkey coup

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THE ARTICLE

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1607/160720-turkey-coup.html>

The Turkish government is increasing its efforts to detain those it deems responsible for the weekend's failed coup attempt. It has arrested around 6,000 members of the judiciary and military, including top judges and senior-ranking generals. It has also suspended nearly 8,000 police officers suspected of having links to the coup attempt. Turkish president Recep Tayyip Erdogan has vowed to purge all government institutions of what he calls the "virus" that caused the uprising. The president is taking a very hard line with all those suspected of wrongdoing and has announced that Turkey would consider reinstating the death penalty. This would hurt Turkey's efforts to join the European Union.

Turkey's Justice Minister Bekir Bozdag announced that: "There are currently around 6,000 detentions. It will surpass 6,000. The legal process on these will continue." He added that: "Suspects are being charged with membership of an armed terrorist organisation and of attempting to overthrow the government of the Turkish Republic using force and violence, or of attempting to completely or partially hinder its function." At least 290 people were killed and thousands wounded in the coup attempt. President Erdogan addressed the country via mobile telephone, urging people to "take to the streets" to defeat the coup and to reclaim democracy. Forces loyal to the president soon retook control of the country.

Sources: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-36824045>
<http://www.turkishweekly.net/2016/07/18/news/6-000-detained-from-turkish-army-judiciary-in-probe-into-failed-coup-attempt/>
<http://in.reuters.com/article/turkey-security-idINKCN0ZY082>

WARM-UPS

1. TURKEY: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about Turkey. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

government / responsible / judiciary / military / purge / virus / institutions / efforts / detentions / legal process / suspects / armed / terrorist / function / wounded / loyal

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. STABLE: Students A **strongly** believe the world will be a more stable place in the future; Students B **strongly** believe it will be more unstable. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. COUP: What responsibilities do these people have in defeating a coup? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Responsibilities
The president	
The media	
The army	
The police	
The public	
The world	

5. ARRESTED: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "arrested". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. TAKE TO THE STREETS: Rank these with your partner. Put the things that would get you to take to the streets most at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- increased taxes
- corrupt government
- education cuts
- nuclear power stations
- declaration of war
- religious intolerance
- immigration
- defend an elected leader

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1607/160720-turkey-coup.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. The Turkish government has detained 6,000 members of the judiciary. **T / F**
- b. The Turkish government has suspended 8,000 police officers. **T / F**
- c. The Turkish president said he had a virus during the attempted coup. **T / F**
- d. Turkey has absolutely no intention of bringing back the death penalty. **T / F**
- e. The justice minister says there won't be more than 6,000 detainees. **T / F**
- f. Suspects are being charged with terrorism offences. **T / F**
- g. Over 290 people were killed in the coup attempt. **T / F**
- h. Turkey's president made use of a mobile device to talk to the nation. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: Match the following synonyms from the article.

- | | |
|------------------|------------------------|
| 1. increasing | a. armed forces |
| 2. deems | b. to a limited extent |
| 3. military | c. presently |
| 4. purge | d. considers |
| 5. death penalty | e. exceed |
| 6. currently | f. hamper |
| 7. surpass | g. rid |
| 8. partially | h. faithful |
| 9. hinder | i. intensifying |
| 10. loyal | j. capital punishment |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|--|----------------------------|
| 1. increasing its | a. to the streets |
| 2. members of the judiciary | b. institutions |
| 3. including top judges and | c. partially |
| 4. Erdogan has vowed to purge all government | d. and military |
| 5. The president is taking a very hard | e. to the president |
| 6. membership of an armed | f. the government |
| 7. overthrow | g. line |
| 8. completely or | h. efforts |
| 9. urging people to take | i. terrorist organisation |
| 10. Forces loyal | j. senior-ranking generals |

GAP FILL

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1607/160720-turkey-coup.html>

The Turkish government is increasing its (1) _____ to detain those it deems responsible for the weekend's failed coup attempt. It has arrested around 6,000 members of the (2) _____ and military, including top judges and senior- (3) _____ generals. It has also suspended nearly 8,000 police officers (4) _____ of having links to the coup attempt. Turkish president Recep Tayyip Erdogan has vowed to (5) _____ all government institutions of what he calls the "virus" that caused the (6) _____. The president is taking a very hard (7) _____ with all those suspected of wrongdoing and has announced that Turkey would consider reinstating the death penalty. This would (8) _____ Turkey's efforts to join the European Union.

suspected
judiciary
uprising
efforts
hurt
ranking
line
purge

Turkey's Justice Minister Bekir Bozdag announced that: "There are (9) _____ around 6,000 detentions. It will surpass 6,000. The legal (10) _____ on these will continue." He added that: "Suspects are being charged with membership of an (11) _____ terrorist organisation and of attempting to (12) _____ the government of the Turkish Republic using force and violence, or of attempting to completely or (13) _____ hinder its function." At least 290 people were killed and thousands (14) _____ in the coup attempt. President Erdogan addressed the country via mobile telephone, urging people to "(15) _____ to the streets" to defeat the coup and to reclaim democracy. Forces (16) _____ to the president soon retook control of the country.

armed
partially
take
currently
loyal
process
wounded
overthrow

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1607/160720-turkey-coup.html>

- 1) The Turkish government is increasing its efforts to detain those _____
 - a. it seems responsible
 - b. it deems responsible
 - c. it reams responsible
 - d. it teams responsible
- 2) It has arrested around 6,000 members of the judiciary and military, _____
 - a. including tops judges
 - b. including topping judges
 - c. including topped judges
 - d. including top judges
- 3) It has also suspended nearly 8,000 police officers suspected of having _____
 - a. links of the coup
 - b. links at the coup
 - c. links by the coup
 - d. links to the coup
- 4) purge all government institutions of what he calls the "virus" that _____
 - a. caused the up rinsing
 - b. caused the op rising
 - c. caused the uprising
 - d. caused the uprise in
- 5) The president is taking a very hard line with all those suspected _____
 - a. of wrong do in
 - b. of long doing
 - c. of long do in
 - d. of wrongdoing
- 6) There are currently around 6,000 detentions. It _____
 - a. will surpass 6,000
 - b. will suppress 6,000
 - c. will sir pass 6,000
 - d. will suppers 6,000
- 7) ... an armed terrorist organisation and of attempting to _____ government
 - a. overthrown the
 - b. overthrow the
 - c. overthrows the
 - d. overthrowing the
- 8) using force and violence, or of attempting to completely or partially _____
 - a. hinder its function
 - b. tinder its function
 - c. kinder its function
 - d. minder its function
- 9) Erdogan addressed the country via mobile telephone, urging people to _____
 - a. take two of the streets
 - b. take two off the streets
 - c. take to the streets
 - d. take too the streets
- 10) Forces loyal to the president soon retook _____ country
 - a. control off the
 - b. controls of the
 - c. control of a
 - d. control of the

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1607/160720-turkey-coup.html>

1. What people in senior-ranking positions have been detained?
2. How many police officers have been suspended?
3. What did Turkey's president say caused the coup?
4. What is Turkey's president thinking about reinstating?
5. What might it be difficult for Turkey to join?
6. Who is Bekir Bozdag?
7. What did Bekir Bozdag say would continue?
8. What are those involved being charged with attempting to overthrow?
9. How many people were wounded in the coup?
10. What forces retook control of the country?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1607/160720-turkey-coup.html>

- 1) What people in senior-ranking positions have been detained?
 - a) presidents
 - b) economists
 - c) generals
 - d) journalists
- 2) How many police officers have been suspended?
 - a) almost 8,000
 - b) around 8,000
 - c) exactly 8,000
 - d) more than 8,000
- 3) What did Turkey's president say caused the coup?
 - a) institutions
 - b) a virus
 - c) religion
 - d) economics
- 4) What is Turkey's president thinking about reinstating?
 - a) an old prison
 - b) institutions
 - c) conscription
 - d) the death penalty
- 5) What might it be difficult for Turkey to join?
 - a) the UN
 - b) NATO
 - c) the EU
 - d) the IMF
- 6) Who is Bekir Bozdag?
 - a) a high-ranking general
 - b) Turkey's justice minister
 - c) a journalist
 - d) a police officer
- 7) What did Bekir Bozdag say would continue?
 - a) suspects
 - b) detentions
 - c) institutions
 - d) the legal process
- 8) What are those involved being charged with attempting to overthrow?
 - a) the judiciary
 - b) the government
 - c) the military
 - d) institutions
- 9) How many people were killed in the coup?
 - a) less than 290
 - b) more than 290
 - c) exactly 290
 - d) around 290
- 10) What forces retook control of the country?
 - a) those loyal to the president
 - b) supernatural forces
 - c) magnetic forces
 - d) presidential forces

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Increased taxes

You think increased taxes is the best reason to take to the streets. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the least serious of these (and why): education cuts, immigration or religious intolerance.

Role B – Education cuts

You think education cuts is the best reason to take to the streets. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the least serious of these (and why): religious intolerance, immigration or increased taxes.

Role C – Immigration

You think immigration is the best reason to take to the streets. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the least serious of these (and why): education cuts, religious intolerance or increased taxes.

Role D – Religious intolerance

You think religious intolerance is the best reason to take to the streets. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the least serious of these (and why): education cuts, immigration or increased taxes.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1607/160720-turkey-coup.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'coup' and 'attempt'.

coup	attempt
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• deems• members• top• vowed• line• join	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6,000• legal• armed• function• mobile• soon
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TURKEY SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Turkey 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.

TURKEY DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What springs to mind when you hear the word 'coup'?
3. What news images did you see of the coup?
4. What do you know about this story?
5. What do you think will happen to the coup leaders?
6. What do you think will happen to Turkey in the future?
7. How surprised are you the coup attempt ended so quickly?
8. What do you know about Turkish president Recep Tayyip Erdogan?
9. What do you think about talks of reinstating the death penalty?
10. Should Turkey become a member of the European Union?

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TURKEY DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What punishments do you think those involved will get?
13. How serious are the charges against those involved?
14. How much organising do you think the coup took?
15. What would have happened if the coup had been successful?
16. How important is democracy?
17. How important is the stability of Turkey, and why?
18. What would have to happen for you to take to the streets?
19. What three adjectives best describe this story, and why?
20. What questions would you like to ask Recep Tayyip Erdogan?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|----------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1. | (a) maintain | (b) retrain | (c) detain | (d) obtain |
| 2. | (a) judiciary | (b) jewellery | (c) juddery | (d) judokas |
| 3. | (a) suspected | (b) inspected | (c) respected | (d) spectacles |
| 4. | (a) purge | (b) urge | (c) verge | (d) merge |
| 5. | (a) box | (b) curve | (c) angle | (d) line |
| 6. | (a) done doing | (b) doing | (c) ongoing | (d) wrongdoing |
| 7. | (a) surpass | (b) suppers | (c) surprise | (d) suppress |
| 8. | (a) eyed | (b) eared | (c) elbowed | (d) armed |
| 9. | (a) force | (b) fierce | (c) farce | (d) forceps |
| 10. | (a) partial | (b) partially | (c) partition | (d) particular |
| 11. | (a) vis-a-vis | (b) via | (c) vile | (d) vista |
| 12. | (a) loyal | (b) legal | (c) regal | (d) royal |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. detain those it deems berioesplsn
2. members of the ycjidurai and military
3. cstepsedu of having links
4. purge all government insstiuintto
5. the "virus" that caused the srnpguii
6. consider nrgsttenaii the death penalty

Paragraph 2

7. around 6,000 tteneodnis
8. It will aspsrsu 6,000
9. stsuscep are being charged
10. using force and onevlci
11. rtapilaly hinder its function
12. reclaim rodcmiace

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

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Number these lines in the correct order.

- () attempt. It has arrested around 6,000 members of the judiciary and military, including top
- () to the coup attempt. Turkish president Recep Tayyip Erdogan has vowed to purge all government institutions of what he
- () coup and to reclaim democracy. Forces loyal to the president soon retook control of the country.
- () judges and senior-ranking generals. It has also suspended nearly 8,000 police officers suspected of having links
- () the country via mobile telephone, urging people to "take to the streets" to defeat the
- () surpass 6,000. The legal process on these will continue." He added that: "Suspects are being charged with
- () membership of an armed terrorist organisation and of attempting to overthrow the government of the Turkish
- () of wrongdoing and has announced that Turkey would consider reinstating the death
- () Republic using force and violence, or of attempting to completely or partially hinder its function." At
- () calls the "virus" that caused the uprising. The president is taking a very hard line with all those suspected
- () least 290 people were killed and thousands wounded in the coup attempt. President Erdogan addressed
- () penalty. This would hurt Turkey's efforts to join the European Union.
- () Turkey's Justice Minister Bekir Bozdag announced that: "There are currently around 6,000 detentions. It will
- (**1**) The Turkish government is increasing its efforts to detain those it deems responsible for the weekend's failed coup

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1607/160720-turkey-coup.html>

1. responsible deems it those detain to efforts Its .
2. the judiciary It has arrested around 6,000 members of .
3. attempt links Officers to suspected the of coup having .
4. has Erdogan institutions government all purge to vowed .
5. very those hard suspected line Taking with a all .
6. terrorist armed an of membership with Charged organisation .
7. Turkish the Republic government Attempting of to the overthrow .
8. completely to Attempting function its hinder partially or .
9. to the streets to defeat the coup Urging people to take .
10. loyal Forces control retook soon president the to .

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1607/160720-turkey-coup.html>

The Turkish government is *increasing* / *increased* its efforts to detain those it deems responsible for the weekend's *failed* / *foiled* coup attempt. It has arrested around 6,000 members of the judiciary and military, *inclusive* / *including* top judges and senior-ranking generals. It has also *suspending* / *suspended* nearly 8,000 police officers suspected of having links *to* / *of* the coup attempt. Turkish president Recep Tayyip Erdogan has vowed to *purge* / *splurge* all government institutions of what he calls the "virus" that caused the *surprising* / *uprising*. The president is taking a very hard *line* / *lane* with all those suspected of wrongdoing and has announced *that* / *what* Turkey would consider reinstating the death penalty. This would hurt Turkey's *effects* / *efforts* to join the European Union.

Turkey's Justice Minister Bekir Bozdag announced that: "There are *currency* / *currently* around 6,000 detentions. It will *surpass* / *suppress* 6,000. The legal process on these will continue." He added that: "Suspects are *been* / *being* charged with membership of an *armed* / *elbowed* terrorist organisation and of attempting to *overthrowing* / *overthrow* the government of the Turkish Republic using *force* / *farce* and violence, or of attempting to completely or partially *minder* / *hinder* its function." At least 290 people were killed and thousands *wound* / *wounded* in the coup attempt. President Erdogan addressed the country via mobile telephone, urging people to "take to the *streets* / *motorways*" to defeat the coup and to reclaim democracy. Forces *loyally* / *loyal* to the president soon retook control of the country.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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Th_ T_rk_sh g_v_rnm_nt _s _ncr__s_ng _ts _ff_rts t_
d_t_n th_s _t d__ms r_sp_ns bl_f_r th_w__k_nd's
f__l_d c__p __tt_mpt. _t h_s _rr_st_d _r__nd 6,000
m_mb_rs _f th_j_d_c__ry _nd m_l_t_ry, _ncl_d_ng t_p
j_dg_s _nd s_n__r-r_nk_ng g_n_r_ls. _t h_s _ls_
s_sp_nd_d n__rly 8,000 p_l_c__ff_c_rs s_sp_ct_d _f
h_v_ng l_nks t_ th_c__p __tt_mpt. T_rk_sh pr_s_d_nt
R_c_p T_yy_p _rd_g_n h_s v_w_d t_ p_rg_ __ll
g_v_rnm_nt _nst_t_t__ns _f wh_t h_c_lls th_ "v_r_s"
th_t c__s_d th_ __pr_s_ng. Th_ pr_s_d_nt _s t_k_ng _
v_ry h_rd l_n_w_th __ll th_s s_sp_ct_d _f wr_ngd__ng
_nd h_s _nn__nc_d th_t T_rk_y w__ld c_ns_d_r
r__nst_t_ng th_ d__th p_n_lty. Th_s w__ld h_rt
T_rk_y's _ff_rts t_ j__n th_ __r_p__n_n__n.

T_rk_y's J_st_c_ M_n_st_r B_k_r B_zd_g _nn__nc_d
th_t: "Th_r__r_c_rr_ntly _r__nd 6,000 d_t_nt__ns. _t
w_ll s_rp_ss 6,000. Th_ l_g_l pr_c_ss _n th_s w_ll
c__nt_n__." H_ __dd_d th_t: "S_sp_cts _r_b__ng
ch_rg_d w_th m_mb_rsh_p _f _n __rm_d t_rr_r_st
_rg_n_s_t__n _nd _f __tt_mpt_ng t_ __v_rthr_w th_
g_v_rnm_nt _f th_ T_rk_sh R_p_bl_c __s_ng f_rc__nd
v__l_nc_, _r _f __tt_mpt_ng t_ c_mpl_t_ly _r_p_r_t__lly
h_nd_r_ts f_nct__n." _t l__st 290 p__pl_w_r_k_ll_d
_nd th_s_nds w__nd_d __n th_c__p __tt_mpt.
Pr_s_d_nt _rd_g_n _ddr_ss_d th_c__ntry v__m_b_l_
t_l_ph_n_, _rg_ng p__pl_t_ "t_k_t th_str__ts" t_
d_f__t th_c__p _nd t_r_cl__m d_m_cr_cy. F_rc_s
l_y_l_t_ th_pr_s_d_nt s__n_r_t__k c_ntr_l _f th_
c__ntry.

PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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HOMework

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about Turkey's failed coup attempt. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. TURKEY: Make a poster about Turkey. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. WORLD HELP: Write a magazine article about the world giving greater help to Turkey to help keep it strong and stable. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on Turkey. Ask him/her three questions about the country. Give him/her three of your ideas on what Turkey can do to maintain its security and stability. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

TRUE / FALSE (p.4)

a F b T c F d F e F f T g T h T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)

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|------------------|------------------------|
| 1. increasing | a. intensifying |
| 2. deems | b. considers |
| 3. military | c. armed forces |
| 4. purge | d. rid |
| 5. death penalty | e. capital punishment |
| 6. currently | f. presently |
| 7. surpass | g. exceed |
| 8. partially | h. to a limited extent |
| 9. hinder | i. hamper |
| 10. loyal | j. faithful |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)

1. Generals (and judges)
2. Nearly 8,000
3. A virus
4. The death penalty
5. The European Union
6. Turkey's Justice Minister
7. The legal process
8. The government
9. At least 290
10. Forces loyal to the president

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)

1. c 2. a 3. b 4. d 5. c 6. b 7. d 8. b 9. b 10. a

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)