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#### Musk abandons Trump after U.S. dumps Paris Agreement

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## THE ARTICLE

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World-renowned CEO, inventor and entrepreneur Elon Musk has decided to leave his position on the Trump business advisory council. This comes after he recently defended his role as advisor to U.S. President Donald Trump. His decision was prompted by Trump's announcement on Friday that the U.S. will pull out of the Paris Agreement – the climate deal established to deal with greenhouse gas emissions from 2020, signed by 195 countries. Mr Musk tweeted: "Climate change is real. Leaving [the] Paris [Agreement] is not good for America or the world." Musk isn't the only prominent figure to walk away from the advisory council. Disney CEO Bob Iger will also step down for similar reasons.

President Trump has long campaigned in support of the coal and fossil fuel industries. He believes that leaving the Paris Agreement will loosen business restrictions and promote growth. Advocates of Trump's decision believe leaving the agreement will help to revitalize the U.S. coal industry and bring back much-needed jobs and revenue to a previously lucrative industry. World leaders condemned the U.S. withdrawal. France's president said: "There is no plan B on climate, because there is no planet B." With or without U.S. support, the world is on an irreversible trend towards cleaner energy. Leaving the Paris Agreement may be a significant blow to the USA's global influence and leadership in environmental issues.

Article written by Timothy Hill

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#### WARM-UPS

**1. CLIMATE CHANGE:** Students walk around the class and talk to other students about climate change. 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?

CEO / inventor / entrepreneur / decision / announcement / climate / emissions / support / fossil fuel / coal / growth / revenue / plan B / planet / trend / cleaner energy

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

**3. EMISSIONS:** Students A **strongly** believe the world will reduce enissions; Students B **strongly** believe it won't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

**4. GREENHOUSE GASES:** What can the following people / organizations do to reduce greenhouse gases? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Things to do	Would they work?
The UN		
Your country		
You		
China/USA		
School teachers		
Big businesses		

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

**6. CLEANER ENERGY:** Rank these with your partner. Put the best at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- solar power
- hydroelectricity
- biofuels
- tidal power

- nuclear energy
- wind power
- geothermal power
- body movement power

## **BEFORE READING / LISTENING**

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1706/170605-paris-agreement.html

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

- a. Elon Musk is a world-renowned inventor and entrepreneur. T / F
- b. The Paris Agreement is set to start in 2018. T / F
- c. The Paris Agreement was signed by 195 countries. **T / F**
- d. The CEO of Disney will also quit the business advisory council. T / F
- e. Donald Trump has supported fossil fuel industries for a long time. **T / F**
- f. Leaving the Paris Agreement will mean lost jobs in the coal industry. T / F
- g. France's President said the world should now look at Plan B. T / F
- h. The article said the US is now stronger to lead on environmental issues. T / F

#### 2. SYNONYM MATCH:

Match the following synonyms. The words in **bold** are from the news article.

- 1. renowned
- 2. position
- 3. prompted
- 4. established
- 5. prominent
- 6. campaigned
- 7. restrictions
- 8. advocates
- 9. lucrative
- 10. significant

- a. limitations
- b. caused
- c. backers
- d. post
- e. serious
- f. leading
- q. famous
- h. profitable
- i. set up
- j. fought

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

- 1. World-renowned CEO, inventor
- 2. the U.S. will pull
- 3. deal with greenhouse gas
- 4. the only prominent
- Disney CEO Bob Iger will also step down 5.
- fossil 6.
- 7. loosen business restrictions and
- 8. lucrative
- 9. There is no plan
- 10. an irreversible trend

- a. figure to walk away
- b. promote growth
- c. for similar reasons
- d. towards cleaner energy
- e. emissions
- industry f.
- q. and entrepreneur
- h. fuel
- out of the Paris Agreement i.
- j. В

## **GAP FILL**

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1706/170605-paris-agreement.html

World-renowned CEO, inventor and (1) \_\_\_\_\_ Elon Musk real has decided to leave his position on the Trump business advisory prompted council. This comes after he recently defended his emissions (2) as advisor to U.S. President Donald Trump. entrepreneur His decision was (3) \_\_\_\_\_ by Trump's announcement similar on Friday that the U.S. will pull out of the Paris Agreement – the climate (4) established to deal with greenhouse role gas (5) \_\_\_\_\_ from 2020, signed by 195 countries. Mr prominent Musk tweeted: "Climate change is (6) \_\_\_\_\_. Leaving deal [the] Paris [Agreement] is not good for America or the world." Musk isn't the only (7) \_\_\_\_\_\_ figure to walk away from the advisory council. Disney CEO Bob Iger will also step down for (8) \_\_\_\_\_\_ reasons.

President Trump has long campaigned in (9) \_\_\_\_\_ of industry the coal and fossil fuel industries. He believes that leaving the trend Paris Agreement will loosen business restrictions and issues (10) \_\_\_\_\_ growth. Advocates of Trump's decision support believe leaving the agreement will help to revitalize the U.S. coal plan (11) \_\_\_\_\_ and bring back much-needed jobs and revenue to a previously (12) \_\_\_\_\_ industry. World promote leaders condemned the U.S. withdrawal. France's president said: blow "There is no (13) \_\_\_\_\_ B on climate, because there is lucrative no planet B." With or without U.S. support, the world is on an irreversible (14) \_\_\_\_\_ towards cleaner energy. Leaving the Paris Agreement may be a significant (15) \_\_\_\_\_\_ to the USA's global influence and leadership in environmental (16) \_\_\_\_\_.

### **LISTENING** – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

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<ol> <li>renowned CEO, inventor and entrepreneur Elon Musk has decided to</li> <li>a. leave this position</li> </ol>
b. leave his position
c. leave his posting
<ul><li>d. leaves his position</li><li>2) His decision was prompted by Trump's Friday</li></ul>
a. denouncement on
b. renouncement on
c. announcement on
<ul><li>d. a bounced mint on</li><li>3) the climate deal established to deal with greenhouse</li></ul>
a. gassy emissions
b. gas emissions
c. gasses emission
<ul><li>d. gas emission</li><li>4) Musk isn't the only prominent walk away</li></ul>
a. figured to
b. figure to
c. figures to d. figurine to
5) Disney CEO Bob Iger will also step down for
a. similar reasons
b. similarity reasons
c. simulate reasons d. similarities reasons
<ul><li>6) President Trump has long campaigned in support of the coal and fossil</li></ul>
a. fueled industries
b. fuels industries
c. fueling industries d. fuel industries
<ul><li>7) leaving the Paris Agreement will loosen business restrictions and</li></ul>
a. promote undergrowth
b. promotes growth
c. promote growth d. promoted growth
8) leaving the agreement will help to revitalize the U.S
a. coal industrial
b. coal industrialize
c. coal industrious d. coal industry
<ol> <li>bring back much-needed jobs and revenue to a industry</li> </ol>
a. previously laxative
b. previous lucrative
<ul><li>c. previously lucrative</li><li>d. previously lubricate</li></ul>
10) With or without U.S. support, the world is on an
a. irresponsible trend
b. irreversible trend
c. irresistible trend d. irritable trend

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#### LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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## **COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS**

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- 1. What did Elon Musk leave?
- 2. What did Elon Musk previously defend?
- 3. How many countries signed the Paris Agreement?
- 4. Who did Elon Musk say leaving the Paris Agreement was not good for?
- 5. The boss of which company also stepped down?
- 6. What industries has Donald Trump campaigned for?
- 7. What do Trump's supporters believe leaving will bring back?
- 8. What plan did France's president say did not exist?
- 9. What is the world moving irreversibly towards?
- 10. What might the USA lose leadership and influence in?

## **MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ**

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- 1) What did Elon Musk leave?
- a) a note
- b) the White House
- c) his company Tesla Motors
- d) a business advisory council
- 2) What did Elon Musk previously defend?
- a) his honour
- b) his role as advisor to DonaldTrump
- c) his company
- d) greenhouse gasses

3) How many countries signed the Paris Agreement?

- a) 168
- b) 186
- c) 159
- d) 195

4) Who did Elon Musk say leaving the Paris Agreement was not good for?

- a) America and Canada
- b) just America
- c) America and the world
- d) America, Canada and Mexico

5) The boss of which company also stepped down?

- a) Ford
- b) IBM
- c) Google
- d) Disney

6) What industries has Donald Trump campaigned for?

- a) solar power
- b) renewable energy
- c) coal and fossil fuels
- d) environmental

7) What do Trump's supporters believe leaving will bring back?

- a) jobs
- b) pollution
- c) environmentalists
- d) business restrictions
- 8) What plan did France's president say did not exist?
- a) strategic plan
- b) the Planet Plan
- c) plan B
- d) savings plan
- 9) What is the world moving
- irreversibly towards?
- a) zero emissions
- b) cleaner energies
- c) a black hole
- d) destruction

10) What might the USA lose leadership and influence in?

- a) environmental issues
- b) fossil fuels
- c) renewable energy
- d) business advisory councils

## **ROLE PLAY**

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#### **Role A – Solar Power**

You think solar power is the best form of energy. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their forms of energy. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): tidal power, nuclear power or hydroelectricity.

#### **Role B – Tidal Power**

You think tidal power is the best form of energy. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their forms of energy. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): solar power, nuclear power or hydroelectricity.

#### Role C – Nuclear Power

You think nuclear power is the best form of energy. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their forms of energy. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): tidal power, solar power or hydroelectricity.

#### **Role D – Hydroelectricity**

You think hydroelectricity is the best form of energy. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their forms of energy. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): tidal power, nuclear power or solar power.

## AFTER READING / LISTENING

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

- 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:

	n fuol
• CEO	• fuel
• comes	growth
• pull	back
• 195	• plan
• good	cleaner
• similar	<ul> <li>issues</li> </ul>

## **CLIMATE CHANGE SURVEY**

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Write five GOOD questions about climate change 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.

## **CLIMATE CHANGE 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 'climate'?
- 3. What do you know about climate change?
- 4. What do you know about the Paris Agreement?
- 5. What do you think of the USA's decision?
- 6. What does your country think of Mr Trump's decision?
- 7. What is your country doing to help reduce emissions?
- 8. What are you doing to help reduce emissions?
- 9. What more can you do to help reduce emissions?
- 10. Can the other 194 countries reduce emissions without the USA?

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#### **CLIMATE CHANGE DISCUSSION**

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

- 11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
- 12. What do you think of when you hear the term 'fossil fuel'?
- 13. What do you think about what you read?
- 14. What do you think of fossil fuels?
- 15. Is it OK to use more fossil fuels if it protects jobs?
- 16. What does Mr Trump think of climate change?
- 17. What advice do you have for Donald Trump?
- 18. Will clean energies eventually mean very few carbon emissions?
- 19. What three adjectives best describe this news story?
- 20. What questions would you like to ask Donald Trump about the climate?

## **DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)**

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

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## **DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)**

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

1.	 	
2.		
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4.		
6.	 	

## LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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

1.	(a)	inventory	(b)	invention	(c)	invent	(d)	inventor
2.	(a)	goes	(b)	places	(c)	leaves	(d)	comes
3.	(a)	was	(b)	as	(c)	has	(d)	is
4.	(a)	remissions	(b)	commissions	(c)	missions	(d)	admissions
5.	(a)	prominence	(b)	prominently	(c)	prominent	(d)	prom
6.	(a)	step	(b)	walk	(c)	kneel	(d)	get
7.	(a)	fossils	(b)	fossil	(c)	fossilized	(d)	fossilizing
8.	(a)	growth	(b)	growing	(c)	grown	(d)	grows
9.	(a)	retribution	(b)	revitalize	(c)	retaliate	(d)	retread
10.	(a)	livid	(b)	lubricate	(c)	lucrative	(d)	laxative
11.	(a)	plant	(b)	planned	(c)	plan	(d)	planet
12.	(a)	gasp	(b)	gust	(c)	puff	(d)	blow

## SPELLING

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#### Paragraph 1

- 1. CEO, toeinrnv and entrepreneur
- 2. he recently <u>eenfddde</u> his role
- 3. <u>omdtpper</u> by Trump's announcement
- 4. the climate deal <u>bedliaetssh</u>
- 5. greenhouse gas emssiiosn
- 6. the only <u>tormeinnp</u> figure to walk away

#### Paragraph 2

- 7. <u>cenmgpdaia</u> in support
- 8. osifls fuel
- 9. loosen business <u>riteirnsctso</u>
- 10. a previously <u>teavlcriu</u> industry
- 11. the world is on an <u>rsbriievleer</u> trend
- 12. the USA's global feilnenuc

## PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1706/170605-paris-agreement.html

#### Number these lines in the correct order.

- ( ) President Trump has long campaigned in support of the coal and fossil fuel industries. He believes that
- ( ) the advisory council. Disney CEO Bob Iger will also step down for similar reasons.
- ( ) out of the Paris Agreement the climate deal established to deal with greenhouse gas emissions from 2020, signed
- ( ) leaving the Paris Agreement will loosen business restrictions and promote growth. Advocates of Trump's
- ( ) decision believe leaving the agreement will help to revitalize the U.S. coal industry and bring back much-
- ( ) without U.S. support, the world is on an irreversible trend towards cleaner energy. Leaving the Paris Agreement
- (**1**) World-renowned CEO, inventor and entrepreneur Elon Musk has decided to leave his position on the Trump business
- ( ) advisory council. This comes after he recently defended his role as advisor to U.S. President Donald Trump. His
- ( ) decision was prompted by Trump's announcement on Friday that the U.S. will pull
- ( ) may be a significant blow to the USA's global influence and leadership in environmental issues.
- ( ) needed jobs and revenue to a previously lucrative industry. World leaders condemned the U.S.
- ( ) withdrawal. France's president said: "There is no plan B on climate, because there is no planet B."With or
- ( ) or the world." Musk isn't the only prominent figure to walk away from
- ( ) by 195 countries. Mr Musk tweeted: "Climate change is real. Leaving [the] Paris [Agreement] is not good for America

#### PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1706/170605-paris-agreement.html

1. leave Musk Inventor has and decided entrepreneur to Elon .

2. advisor after defended as comes recently role This he his .

3. established with emissions deal deal gas climate to greenhouse The .

4. good Paris for Agreement America is Leaving not the .

5. to the walk only away prominent Musk figure isn't .

6. industry the Leaving will revitalize coal agreement to US the help .

7. US the condemned leaders World withdrawal .

8. no climate is is on There there B B because plan planet, no .

9. an towards The on trend energy is irreversible cleaner world .

10. USA's and significant the influence A to global leadership blow .

## **CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)**

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1706/170605-paris-agreement.html

World-renowned CEO, inventor and entrepreneur Elon Musk has *derided* / *decided* to leave his position on the Trump business advisory council. This *comes* / *goes* after he recently defended his *role* / *roll* as advisor to U.S. President Donald Trump. His decision was *prompting* / *prompted* by Trump's announcement on Friday that the U.S. will pull out *off* / *of* the Paris Agreement – the climate *deal* / *dealt* established to deal with greenhouse gas emissions from 2020, *signed* / *singed* by 195 countries. Mr Musk tweeted: "Climate change is *really* / *real*. Leaving [the] Paris [Agreement] is not good for America or the world." Musk isn't the only *prominent* / *prominence* figure to walk away from the advisory council. Disney CEO Bob Iger will also step down for *similarity* / *similar* reasons.

President Trump has *long / longing* campaigned in support of the coal and fossil *fuel / fueled* industries. He *beliefs / believes* that leaving the Paris Agreement will *loosen / loses* business restrictions and promote growth. Advocates of Trump's decision believe leaving *the / an* agreement will help to revitalize the U.S. coal industry and bring back much-needed jobs and revenue *at / to* a previously lucrative industry. World leaders *condoned / condemned* the U.S. withdrawal. France's president said: "There is no plan *B / C* on climate, because there is no planet B." With or without U.S. support, the world is on an irreversible *trend / trendy* towards cleaner energy. Leaving the Paris Agreement may be a significant *puff / blow* to the USA's global influence and leadership in environmental issues.

# 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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W\_rld-r\_n\_wn\_d C\_\_, \_nv\_nt\_r \_nd \_ntr\_pr\_n\_\_r \_l\_n M\_sk h\_s d\_c\_d\_d t\_ l\_\_v\_ h\_s p\_s\_t\_\_n \_n th\_ Tr\_mp b\_s\_n\_ss \_dv\_s\_ry c\_\_nc\_l. Th\_s c\_m\_s \_ft\_r h\_ r\_c\_ntly d\_f\_nd\_d h\_s r\_l\_ \_s \_dv\_s\_r t\_ \_.S. Pr\_s\_d\_nt D\_n\_ld Tr\_mp. H\_s d\_c\_s\_\_n w\_s pr\_mpt\_d by Tr\_mp's \_nn\_\_nc\_m\_nt \_n Fr\_d\_y th\_t th\_ \_.S. w\_ll p\_ll \_\_t \_f th\_ P\_r\_s \_gr\_\_m\_nt - th\_ cl\_m\_t\_ d\_\_l \_st\_bl\_sh\_d t\_ d\_\_l w\_th gr\_\_nh\_\_s\_ g\_s \_m\_ss\_\_ns fr\_m 2020, s\_gn\_d by 195 c\_\_ntr\_\_s. Mr M\_sk tw\_\_t\_d: "Cl\_m\_t\_ ch\_ng\_ \_s r\_\_l. L\_\_v\_ng [th\_] P\_r\_s [\_gr\_\_m\_nt] \_s n\_t g\_\_d f\_r \_m\_r\_c\_ \_r th\_ w\_rld." M\_sk \_sn't th\_ \_nly pr\_m\_n\_nt f\_g\_r\_ t\_ w\_lk \_wy fr\_m th\_ \_dv\_s\_ry c\_\_nc\_l. D\_sn\_y C\_\_ B\_b \_g\_r w\_ll \_ls\_ st\_p d\_wn f\_r s\_m\_l\_r r\_\_s\_ns.

Pr\_s\_d\_nt Tr\_mp h\_s l\_ng c\_mp\_\_gn\_d \_n s\_pp\_rt \_f th\_ c\_\_l \_nd f\_ss\_l f\_\_l \_nd\_str\_\_s. H\_ b\_l\_\_v\_s th\_t l\_\_v\_ng th\_ P\_r\_s \_gr\_\_m\_nt w\_ll l\_\_s\_n b\_s\_n\_ss r\_str\_ct\_\_ns \_nd pr\_m\_t\_ gr\_wth. \_dv\_c\_t\_s \_f Tr\_mp's d\_c\_s\_\_n b\_l\_\_v\_ l\_\_v\_ng th\_ \_gr\_\_m\_nt w\_ll h\_lp t\_ r\_v\_t\_lz\_ th\_ \_.S. c\_\_l \_nd\_stry \_nd br\_ng b\_ck m\_ch-n\_\_d\_d j\_bs \_nd r\_v\_n\_\_ t\_ \_ pr\_v\_\_\_sly l\_cr\_t\_v\_ \_nd\_stry. W\_rld l\_\_d\_rs c\_nd\_mn\_d th\_ \_.S. w\_thdr\_w\_l. Fr\_nc\_'s pr\_s\_d\_nt s\_\_d: "Th\_r\_ \_s n\_ pl\_n B \_n cl\_m\_t\_, b\_c\_\_s\_ th\_r\_ \_s n\_ pl\_n\_t B." W\_th \_r w\_th\_\_t \_.S. s\_pp\_rt, th\_ w\_rld \_s \_n \_n \_rr\_v\_rs\_bl\_ tr\_nd t\_w\_rds cl\_\_n\_r \_n\_rgy. L\_\_v\_ng th\_ P\_r\_s \_gr\_\_m\_nt m\_y b\_ \_s\_gn\_f\_c\_nt bl\_w t\_ th\_ \_S's \_gl\_b\_l \_nfl\_\_nc\_ \_nd \_l\_d\_rsh\_p \_n \_nv\_r\_nm\_nt\_l\_ss\_\_s.

#### PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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world-renowned ceo inventor and entrepreneur elon musk has decided to leave his position on the trump business advisory council this comes after he recently defended his role as advisor to us president donald trump his decision was prompted by trump's announcement on friday that the us will pull out of the paris agreement – the climate deal established to deal with greenhouse gas emissions from 2020 signed by 195 countries mr musk tweeted "climate change is real leaving [the] paris [agreement] is not good for america or the world" musk isn't the only prominent figure to walk away from the advisory council disney ceo bob iger will also step down for similar reasons

president trump has long campaigned in support of the coal and fossil fuel industries he believes that leaving the paris agreement will loosen business restrictions and promote growth advocates of trump's decision believe leaving the agreement will help to revitalize the us coal industry and bring back much-needed jobs and revenue to a previously lucrative industry world leaders condemned the us withdrawal france's president said "there is no plan b on climate because there is no planet b" with or without us support the world is on an irreversible trend towards cleaner energy leaving the paris agreement may be a significant blow to the usa's global influence and leadership in environmental issues

## PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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World-renownedCEO, inventor and entrepreneur Elon Musk has decid edtoleavehispositionontheTrumpbusinessadvisorycouncil.Thiscom esafterherecentlydefendedhisroleasadvisortoU.S.PresidentDonaldT rump.HisdecisionwaspromptedbyTrump'sannouncementonFridayt hattheU.S.willpulloutoftheParisAgreement-theclimatedealestablis hedtodealwithgreenhousegasemissionsfrom2020, signedby 195cou ntries.MrMusktweeted:"Climatechangeisreal.Leaving[the]Paris[Ag reement]isnotgoodforAmericaortheworld."Muskisn'ttheonlypromin entfiguretowalkawayfromtheadvisorycouncil.DisneyCEOBobIgerwil lalsostepdownforsimilarreasons.PresidentTrumphaslongcampaigne dinsupport of the coal and fossilfue lindustries. He believes that leaving t heParisAgreementwillloosenbusinessrestrictionsandpromotegrowt h.AdvocatesofTrump'sdecisionbelieveleavingtheagreementwillhelp torevitalizetheU.S.coalindustryandbringbackmuch-neededjobsand revenuetoapreviouslylucrativeindustry.Worldleaderscondemnedth eU.S.withdrawal.France'spresidentsaid:"ThereisnoplanBonclimate, because there is no planet B. "Withorwithout U.S. support, the world is on anirreversibletrendtowardscleanerenergy.LeavingtheParisAgreeme ntmaybeasignificantblowtotheUSA'sglobalinfluenceandleadershipin environmentalissues.

## FREE WRITING

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Write about **climate change** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner's paper.

### ACADEMIC WRITING

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1706/170605-paris-agreement.html

What are the best three ways to deal with climate change? Explain your reasons.

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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 this news. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

**3. CLIMATE CHANGE:** Make a poster about climate change. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

**4. PARIS AGREEMENT:** Write a magazine article about the Paris Agreement and how important it is. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against it.

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 climate change. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your ideas on how we can reduce carbon emissions. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

#### ANSWERS

#### TRUE / FALSE (p.4)

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#### SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)

1. renowned
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- 2. position
- 3. prompted
- 4. established
- 5. prominent
- 6. campaigned
- 7. restrictions
- 8. advocates
- 9. lucrative
- 10. significant

- a. famous
- b. post
- c. caused
- d. set up
- e. leading
- f. fought
- g. limitations
- h. backers
- i. profitable
- j. serious

#### **COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)**

- 1. Donald Trump's business advisory council
- 2. His role as advisor to Donald Trump
- 3. 195 countries
- 4. America and the world
- 5. Disney
- 6. Coal and fossil fuels
- 7. Jobs
- 8. Plan B
- 9. Cleaner energy
- 10. Environmental issues

#### MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)

1. d 2. b 3. d 4. c 5. d 6. c 7. a 8. c 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 ;-)