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Level 4

Bio-terrorism could kill 30 million in a year

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THE READING

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Bill Gates warned the world could be in danger from bio-terrorism. He said terrorist-made viruses could kill 30 million people in a year. Mr Gates was speaking at a security conference. He said there was a "reasonable" chance of a bio-terrorist attack in the next 15 years. He was surprised that few leaders are aware of this. He wants leaders to be more prepared. He asked for global "health security" to become a big part of government discussions and policies.

Mr Gates said the next epidemic could be made on a computer. A genetically engineered virus was easier to make and would be deadlier than nuclear bombs. He wants governments to prepare for epidemics like they do for war. He said there should be germ games, just like there are war games. He also urged the better monitoring of outbreaks, the development of vaccines within weeks rather than years, and better drugs, antibodies and diagnostics.

Sources: <http://www.forbes.com/sites/brucelee/2017/02/19/bill-gates-warns-of-epidemic-that-will-kill-over-30-million-people/>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. the world could | a. a security conference |
| 2. terrorist- | b. security |
| 3. Gates was speaking at | c. next 15 years |
| 4. a "reasonable" chance | d. to be more prepared |
| 5. in the | e. are aware of this |
| 6. surprised that few leaders | f. be in danger |
| 7. He wants leaders | g. of a bio-terrorist attack |
| 8. global health | h. made viruses |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--|-----------------------|
| 1. the next epidemic could be | a. are war games |
| 2. a genetically | b. than nuclear bombs |
| 3. be deadlier | c. within weeks |
| 4. He wants governments to prepare | d. of outbreaks |
| 5. germ games, just like there | e. made on a computer |
| 6. He also urged the better monitoring | f. for epidemics |
| 7. the development of vaccines | g. diagnostics |
| 8. better drugs, antibodies and | h. engineered virus |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Bill Gates warned the world (1) _____ danger from bio-terrorism. He said terrorist-made viruses could kill 30 million people in a year. Mr Gates (2) _____ a security conference. He said there was a "reasonable" (3) _____-terrorist attack in the next 15 years. He was surprised that few leaders (4) _____. He wants leaders to (5) _____. He asked for global "health security" to become (6) _____ government discussions and policies.

Mr Gates said (7) _____ could be made on a computer. A genetically engineered virus was easier (8) _____ deadlier than nuclear bombs. He wants governments (9) _____ epidemics like they do for war. He said (10) _____ germ games, just like there are war games. He (11) _____ better monitoring of outbreaks, the development of vaccines (12) _____ than years, and better drugs, antibodies and diagnostics.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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BIO-TERRORISM SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about bio-terrorism 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) _____

