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## Level 6

### Subway sues TV station for \$210 million

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# THE ARTICLE

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The international sandwich chain Subway is suing the Canadian broadcaster CBC following a report that said the fast food giant's chicken was only half chicken. The CBC reported on one of its shows that Subway's oven roasted chicken contained only 53.6 per cent chicken, and that its chicken strips had just 42.8 per cent chicken. The show claimed the rest was a soy filler. The researchers stated that competing chains had considerably higher levels of meat in their chicken-based products. Subway announced: "We have issued a Notice of Action...against the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation that asks for \$210 million in damages over allegations...that are defamatory and absolutely false."

Subway said it has made several attempts to dispute the claims of CBC. It said: "Despite our efforts to share the facts with the CBC about the high quality of our chicken and to express our strong objections to their inaccurate claims, they have not issued a retraction, as we requested." It added: "We do not know how they produced such unreliable and factually incorrect data....Producing high quality food for our customers is our highest priority." A CBC spokeswoman said the corporation was standing behind its investigation, its story and its reporters. She said: "We believe our journalism to be sound and there is no evidence that we've seen that would lead us to change our position."

Sources: [http://www.huffingtonpost.ca/2017/03/17/subway-sue-cbc-chicken-report\\_n\\_15424128.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.ca/2017/03/17/subway-sue-cbc-chicken-report_n_15424128.html)  
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# WARM-UPS

**1. SANDWICHES:** Students walk around the class and talk to other students about sandwiches. 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?

international / sandwich / chain / chicken / soy / meat / damages / allegations / attempts / facts / objections / data / high quality / highest priority / journalism

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

**3. SUBWAY:** Students A **strongly** believe Subway is the best fast food chain in the world; Students B **strongly** believe it isn't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

**4. FAST FOOD:** How can it be better? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Image now	Improvements
Sandwiches		
Burgers		
Pizza		
Fries		
Kebab		
Taco		

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

**6. CHAINS:** Rank these with your partner. Put the best international restaurant chains at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Subway
- McDonald's
- Starbucks
- Kentucky Fried Chicken
- Taco Bell
- Pizza Hut
- Krispy Kreme
- T.G.I. Friday's

# BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170321-subway.html>

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

- a. Subway is suing a TV station from the USA. **T / F**
- b. The TV station said Subway's chicken was only half chicken. **T / F**
- c. The TV show said half of Subway's chicken was filled with wheat. **T / F**
- d. The show said Subway's competitors sold products with less chicken. **T / F**
- e. Subway has made no attempts to dispute the claims. **T / F**
- f. The TV station has not issued a retraction of its claims. **T / F**
- g. Subway said producing high quality food was its highest priority. **T / F**
- h. The TV station was confident its journalism on this story is sound. **T / F**

## 2. SYNONYM MATCH:

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

- |                         |                   |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>1. international</b> | a. untrue         |
| <b>2. half</b>          | b. included       |
| <b>3. contained</b>     | c. proof          |
| <b>4. rest</b>          | d. protests       |
| <b>5. false</b>         | e. fifty per cent |
| <b>6. several</b>       | f. solid          |
| <b>7. objections</b>    | g. remainder      |
| <b>8. unreliable</b>    | h. global         |
| <b>9. sound</b>         | i. untrustworthy  |
| <b>10. evidence</b>     | j. various        |

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

- |                                    |                             |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. suing                           | a. our position             |
| 2. the rest                        | b. damages                  |
| 3. considerably                    | c. priority                 |
| 4. \$210 million in                | d. dispute the claims       |
| 5. allegations that are defamatory | e. was a soy filler         |
| 6. it has made several attempts to | f. the Canadian broadcaster |
| 7. express our strong              | g. sound                    |
| 8. our highest                     | h. and absolutely false     |
| 9. We believe our journalism to be | i. objections               |
| 10. that would lead us to change   | j. higher levels of meat    |

# GAP FILL

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170321-subway.html>

The international sandwich (1) \_\_\_\_\_ Subway is suing the Canadian broadcaster CBC (2) \_\_\_\_\_ a report that said the fast food giant's chicken was only half chicken. The CBC reported on one of its shows that Subway's oven roasted chicken (3) \_\_\_\_\_ only 53.6 per cent chicken, and that its chicken strips had just 42.8 per cent chicken. The show claimed the (4) \_\_\_\_\_ was a soy filler. The researchers stated that competing chains had (5) \_\_\_\_\_ higher (6) \_\_\_\_\_ of meat in their chicken-based products. Subway announced: "We have (7) \_\_\_\_\_ a Notice of Action...against the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation that asks for \$210 million in damages over allegations...that are defamatory and absolutely (8) \_\_\_\_\_."

*rest*  
*levels*  
*following*  
*false*  
*chain*  
*contained*  
*issued*  
*considerably*

Subway said it has made (9) \_\_\_\_\_ attempts to dispute the claims of CBC. It said: "Despite our efforts to share the (10) \_\_\_\_\_ with the CBC about the high quality of our chicken and to express our strong (11) \_\_\_\_\_ to their inaccurate claims, they have not issued a retraction, as we requested." It added: "We do not know how they produced such (12) \_\_\_\_\_ and factually incorrect data....Producing high quality food for our customers is our highest (13) \_\_\_\_\_." A CBC spokeswoman said the corporation was (14) \_\_\_\_\_ behind its investigation, its story and its reporters. She said: "We believe our journalism to be (15) \_\_\_\_\_ and there is no evidence that we've seen that would (16) \_\_\_\_\_ us to change our position."

*standing*  
*several*  
*lead*  
*objections*  
*unreliable*  
*sound*  
*facts*  
*priority*

# LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

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- 1) a report that said the fast food giant's chicken was \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. only half chicken
  - b. only halved chicken
  - c. only half chickens
  - d. only halved chickens
- 2) The show claimed the rest was \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. a soy filled
  - b. a soy fill
  - c. a soy filling
  - d. a soy filler
- 3) competing chains had considerably higher levels of meat in their chicken-\_\_\_\_\_
  - a. basted products
  - b. based products
  - c. biased products
  - d. blasted products
- 4) against the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation that asks for \$210 \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. million in damage
  - b. million on damages
  - c. million in damages
  - d. millions in damages
- 5) over allegations...that are defamatory and \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. absolute false
  - b. absolutism false
  - c. absolutes false
  - d. absolutely false
- 6) Subway said it has made several attempts to dispute the \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. clams of CBC
  - b. claims of CBC
  - c. calms of CBC
  - d. clamps of CBC
- 7) We do not know how they produced such unreliable and factually \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. incorrect datum
  - b. incorrect data
  - c. incorrect day tar
  - d. incorrect date are
- 8) Producing high quality food for our customers is our \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. highest priority
  - b. highest priorities
  - c. highest prioritize
  - d. highest priory
- 9) She said: "We believe our journalism \_\_\_\_\_"
  - a. to be sounds
  - b. to be sounded
  - c. to be sound
  - d. to be soundly
- 10) there is no evidence that we've seen that would lead us to \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. change your position
  - b. chance our position
  - c. change our position
  - d. change our positions

# LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170321-subway.html>

The international sandwich chain Subway (1) \_\_\_\_\_ Canadian broadcaster CBC following a report that said the fast food giant's chicken (2) \_\_\_\_\_ chicken. The CBC reported on one of its shows that Subway's oven roasted chicken (3) \_\_\_\_\_ per cent chicken, and that its chicken strips had just 42.8 per cent chicken. The show claimed (4) \_\_\_\_\_ soy filler. The researchers stated that competing chains had considerably (5) \_\_\_\_\_ meat in their chicken-based products. Subway announced: "We have issued a Notice of Action...against the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation that asks for \$210 million (6) \_\_\_\_\_ allegations...that are defamatory and absolutely false."

Subway said it has made (7) \_\_\_\_\_ dispute the claims of CBC. It said: "Despite (8) \_\_\_\_\_ share the facts with the CBC about the high quality of our chicken (9) \_\_\_\_\_ our strong objections to their inaccurate claims, they have not issued a retraction, as we requested." It added: "We do not know how they produced such unreliable and (10) \_\_\_\_\_ data....Producing high quality food for our customers is (11) \_\_\_\_\_." A CBC spokeswoman said the corporation was standing behind its investigation, its story and its reporters. She said: "We believe our journalism (12) \_\_\_\_\_ there is no evidence that we've seen that would lead us to change our position."

# COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170321-subway.html>

1. What is the abbreviated name of the TV station Subway is suing?
2. What proportion of the chicken did the TV station say was chicken?
3. What did the TV station say chicken products were filled with?
4. Who did the TV station say had considerably higher levels of chicken?
5. What did Subway call the allegations, besides defamatory?
6. How many attempts has Subway made to dispute the claims?
7. What did Subway say the TV station had not issued?
8. What did Subway say was its highest priority?
9. What is the TV station standing behind, besides its reporters and story?
10. What did the TV station say it believed its journalism to be?



# MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170321-subway.html>

- 1) What is the abbreviated name of the TV station Subway is suing?
  - a) ZBC
  - b) ABC
  - c) BBC
  - d) CBC
- 2) What proportion of the chicken did the TV station say was chicken?
  - a) three-quarters
  - b) half
  - c) two-thirds
  - d) a third
- 3) What did the TV station say chicken products were filled with?
  - a) MSG
  - b) other meat
  - c) soy
  - d) wheat
- 4) Who did the TV station say had considerably higher levels of chicken?
  - a) competing chains
  - b) KFC
  - c) French restaurants
  - d) mothers' tables
- 5) What did Subway call the allegations, besides defamatory?
  - a) a pile of trash
  - b) absolute garbage
  - c) absolutely false
  - d) total rubbish
- 6) How many attempts has Subway made to dispute the claims?
  - a) a few
  - b) several
  - c) hundreds
  - d) many
- 7) What did Subway say the TV station had not issued?
  - a) a retribution
  - b) a reduction
  - c) a redaction
  - d) a retraction
- 8) What did Subway say was its highest priority?
  - a) providing high quality food
  - b) maximizing profit
  - c) looking after chickens
  - d) to increase sales
- 9) What is the TV station standing behind, besides its reporters and story?
  - a) the chickens of the world
  - b) a desk
  - c) its investigation
  - d) its legal team
- 10) What did the TV station say it believed its journalism to be?
  - a) sight
  - b) sound
  - c) smell
  - d) taste

# ROLE PLAY

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170321-subway.html>

## **Role A – Subway**

You think Subway is the best restaurant chain. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their restaurants. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): McDonald's, Starbucks or Pizza Hut.

## **Role B – McDonald's**

You think McDonald's is the best restaurant chain. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their restaurants. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): Subway, Starbucks or Pizza Hut.

## **Role C – Starbucks**

You think Starbucks is the best restaurant chain. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their restaurants. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): McDonald's, Subway or Pizza Hut.

## **Role D – Pizza Hut**

You think Pizza Hut is the best restaurant chain. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their restaurants. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): McDonald's, Starbucks or Subway.

# AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170321-subway.html>

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

<b>subway</b>	<b>chicken</b>
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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"><li>• suing</li><li>• half</li><li>• rest</li><li>• higher</li><li>• issued</li><li>• damages</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• several</li><li>• high</li><li>• data</li><li>• priority</li><li>• standing</li><li>• sound</li></ul>
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# SANDWICHES SURVEY

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170321-subway.html>

Write five GOOD questions about sandwiches 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.

# SANDWICHES 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 'chicken'?
3. What do you know about Subway?
4. What do you think about sandwiches?
5. Do you ever worry about the quality of fast food?
6. How can we make sure we are getting what we think we are?
7. How bad is it to have so much soy filler?
8. Why would the CBC make untrue claims about Subway?
9. What is the best fast food chain, and why?
10. What do you think of the amount of damages?

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# SANDWICHES 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 word 'sandwich'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What is your favourite sandwich, and why?
15. How damaging would this be to Subway, if true?
16. Is "producing high quality food" or profit Subway's highest priority?
17. Who do you believe, and why?
18. How will the court decide who is right and who is wrong?
19. Who do you want to win this case, and why?
20. What questions would you like to ask the journalists?

# 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

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170321-subway.html>

The international sandwich chain Subway is (1) \_\_\_\_\_ the Canadian broadcaster CBC following a report that said the fast food giant's chicken was only (2) \_\_\_\_\_ chicken. The CBC reported (3) \_\_\_\_\_ one of its shows that Subway's (4) \_\_\_\_\_ roasted chicken contained only 53.6 per cent chicken, and that its chicken strips had just 42.8 per cent chicken. The show claimed the (5) \_\_\_\_\_ was a soy filler. The researchers stated that competing chains had considerably higher levels of meat in their chicken-based products. Subway announced: "We have issued a Notice of Action...against the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation that asks for \$210 million (6) \_\_\_\_\_ damages over allegations...that are defamatory and absolutely false."

Subway said it has (7) \_\_\_\_\_ several attempts to dispute the claims of CBC. It said: "Despite our efforts to share the facts with the CBC about the high quality of our chicken and to express our strong (8) \_\_\_\_\_ to their inaccurate claims, they have not issued a retraction, as we (9) \_\_\_\_\_." It added: "We do not know how they produced such unreliable and factually incorrect data...Producing high quality food for our customers is our highest (10) \_\_\_\_\_." A CBC spokeswoman said the corporation was standing (11) \_\_\_\_\_ its investigation, its story and its reporters. She said: "We believe our journalism to be sound and there is no evidence that we've seen that would (12) \_\_\_\_\_ us to change our position."

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

- |     |                |                |                   |                |
|-----|----------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| 1.  | (a) suing      | (b) using      | (c) issuing       | (d) assuaging  |
| 2.  | (a) halves     | (b) halved     | (c) half          | (d) halves     |
| 3.  | (a) in         | (b) by         | (c) on            | (d) at         |
| 4.  | (a) even       | (b) ever       | (c) over          | (d) oven       |
| 5.  | (a) rest       | (b) last       | (c) best          | (d) baste      |
| 6.  | (a) on         | (b) in         | (c) at            | (d) by         |
| 7.  | (a) given      | (b) tries      | (c) done          | (d) made       |
| 8.  | (a) objectives | (b) objections | (c) objectionable | (d) objects    |
| 9.  | (a) requests   | (b) requesting | (c) requested     | (d) request    |
| 10. | (a) priorities | (b) priority   | (c) priories      | (d) prioritize |
| 11. | (a) beneath    | (b) front      | (c) under         | (d) behind     |
| 12. | (a) mold       | (b) lead       | (c) assemble      | (d) gather     |

# SPELLING

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## Paragraph 1

1. Subway is inugs the Canadian broadcaster
2. oven sedarot chicken
3. poceignmt chains
4. olabcedrynsi higher levels of meat
5. Itsoaiaelgn that are defamatory
6. btysaoeull false

## Paragraph 2

7. it has made several etmtpsat
8. express our strong toijeconbs
9. ntciacerua claims
10. lbraleunie and factually incorrect data
11. our highest rtriioy
12. there is no ndevicee



# PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170321-subway.html>

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

- ( ) Subway said it has made several attempts to dispute the claims of CBC. It said: "Despite our efforts
- ( ) to share the facts with the CBC about the high quality of our chicken and to express our strong objections
- ( ) our highest priority." A CBC spokeswoman said the corporation was standing behind its
- ( ) giant's chicken was only half chicken. The CBC reported on one of its shows that Subway's oven roasted chicken contained
- ( ) how they produced such unreliable and factually incorrect data....Producing high quality food for our customers is
- ( **1** ) The international sandwich chain Subway is suing the Canadian broadcaster CBC following a report that said the fast food
- ( ) in damages over allegations...that are defamatory and absolutely false."
- ( ) sound and there is no evidence that we've seen that would lead us to change our position."
- ( ) to their inaccurate claims, they have not issued a retraction, as we requested." It added: "We do not know
- ( ) was a soy filler. The researchers stated that competing chains had considerably higher levels
- ( ) of meat in their chicken-based products. Subway announced: "We have
- ( ) issued a Notice of Action...against the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation that asks for \$210 million
- ( ) only 53.6 per cent chicken, and that its chicken strips had just 42.8 per cent chicken. The show claimed the rest
- ( ) investigation, its story and its reporters. She said: "We believe our journalism to be

# PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170321-subway.html>

1. chicken chicken The was fast only food half giant's .
2. roasted only contained chicken 53.6% chicken Subway's oven .
3. the filler rest The was show a claimed soy .
4. of their based levels in - Higher meat chicken products .
5. \$210 allegations million Asks in for damages over .
6. attempts It to has dispute made the several claims .
7. Express claims inaccurate their to objections strong our .
8. our Producing quality for customers high food .
9. investigation corporation standing its The was behind .
10. we've would to that that us Evidence seen lead change .

# CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170321-subway.html>

The international sandwich chain Subway is *suing* / *using* the Canadian broadcaster CBC *following* / *followed* a report that said the fast food giant's chicken was only *halved* / *half* chicken. The CBC reported on one of its *show* / *shows* that Subway's oven roasted chicken *contained* / *contents* only 53.6 per cent chicken, and that its chicken strips had *justly* / *just* 42.8 per cent chicken. The show claimed *the* / *a* rest was a soy filler. The researchers stated that *competing* / *completing* chains had considerably higher levels of meat in their chicken-based products. Subway announced: "We have issued a Notice of Action...*again* / *against* the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation that asks for \$210 million in damages *over* / *above* allegations...that are defamatory and absolutely false."

Subway said it has made *several* / *numeral* attempts to dispute the claims *for* / *of* CBC. It said: "*Despite* / *Spite* our efforts to share the facts *by* / *with* the CBC about the high quality of our chicken and to *repress* / *express* our strong objections to their inaccurate claims, they have not issued a retraction, *was* / *as* we requested." It added: "We do not know how they produced *such* / *so* unreliable and factually incorrect data....Producing high quality food for our customers is our highest *prioritize* / *priority*." A CBC spokeswoman said the corporation was *kneeling* / *standing* behind its investigation, its story and its reporters. She said: "We believe our journalism to be *sound* / *noise* and there is no evidence that we've seen that would lead us to change our position."

**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)

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170321-subway.html>

Th\_ \_nt\_rn\_t\_\_n\_l s\_ndw\_ch ch\_\_n S\_bw\_y \_s s\_\_ng  
th\_ C\_n\_d\_\_n br\_\_dc\_st\_r CBC f\_ll\_w\_ng \_r\_p\_rt th\_t  
s\_\_d th\_ f\_st f\_\_d g\_\_nt's ch\_ck\_n w\_s \_nly h\_lf  
ch\_ck\_n. Th\_ CBC r\_p\_rt\_d \_n \_n\_ \_f \_ts sh\_ws th\_t  
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# PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1703/170321-subway.html>

the international sandwich chain subway is suing the canadian broadcaster cbc following a report that said the fast food giant's chicken was only half chicken the cbc reported on one of its shows that subway's oven roasted chicken contained only 536 per cent chicken and that its chicken strips had just 428 per cent chicken the show claimed the rest was a soy filler the researchers stated that competing chains had considerably higher levels of meat in their chicken-based products subway announced "we have issued a notice of action...against the canadian broadcasting corporation that asks for \$210 million in damages over allegations...that are defamatory and absolutely false"

subway said it has made several attempts to dispute the claims of cbc it said "despite our efforts to share the facts with the cbc about the high quality of our chicken and to express our strong objections to their inaccurate claims they have not issued a retraction as we requested" it added "we do not know how they produced such unreliable and factually incorrect data...producing high quality food for our customers is our highest priority" a cbc spokeswoman said the corporation was standing behind its investigation its story and its reporters she said "we believe our journalism to be sound and there is no evidence that we've seen that would lead us to change our position"

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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The international sandwich chain Subway is suing the Canadian broadcaster CBC following a report that said the fast food giant's chicken was only half chicken. The CBC reported on one of its shows that Subway's oven roasted chicken contained only 53.6 percent chicken, and that its chicken strip had just 42.8 percent chicken. The show claimed the rest was a soy filler. The researchers stated that competing chains had considerably higher levels of meat in their chicken-based products. Subway announced: "We have issued a Notice of Action... against the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation that asks for \$210 million in damages over allegations... that are defamatory and absolutely false." Subway said it has made several attempts to dispute the claims of CBC. It said: "Despite our efforts to share the facts with the CBC about the high quality of our chicken and to express our strong objections to their inaccurate claims, they have not issued a retraction, as we requested." It added: "We do not know how they produced such unreliable and factually incorrect data.... Producing high quality food for our customers is our highest priority." A CBC spokeswoman said the corporation was standing behind its investigation, its story and its reporters. She said: "We believe our journalism to be sound and there is no evidence that we've seen that would lead us to change our position."







# 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 story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

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

**4. HOMEMADE:** Write a magazine article about making requirements for fast food restaurants to only use 100% fresh products. 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 sandwiches. Ask him/her three questions about them. Give him/her three of your ideas on how fast food stores can sell more of them. 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)

- |                  |                   |
|------------------|-------------------|
| 1. international | a. global         |
| 2. half          | b. fifty per cent |
| 3. contained     | c. included       |
| 4. rest          | d. remainder      |
| 5. false         | e. untrue         |
| 6. several       | f. various        |
| 7. objections    | g. protests       |
| 8. unreliable    | h. untrustworthy  |
| 9. sound         | i. solid          |
| 10. evidence     | j. proof          |

## COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)

1. CBC
2. Half
3. Soy
4. Competing chains
5. Absolutely false
6. Several
7. A retraction
8. Producing high quality food
9. Its investigation
10. Sound

## MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)

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

## ALL OTHER EXERCISES

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