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## **Level 5 – 14th July, 2019**

### **Turkey's Russian missile defense system purchase angers US**

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# THE READING

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U.S.-Turkey relations have soured after Turkey purchased a Russian missile defense system, the first deliveries of which were made on Friday. The USA had warned Turkey not to buy the S-400 missile defense equipment from Russia. The USA and Turkey are both allies in NATO - a defense organization created to counter any possible military aggression by Russia. NATO consists of 29 North American and European nations. The USA has the biggest military in NATO. Turkey has recently been establishing closer ties with Russia. This has caused security concerns for the USA.

The U.S. warned Turkey it would face economic sanctions if it installed the S-400 system. It also said Turkey would not be part of the USA's high-tech F-35 fighter jet programme. The U.S. wants Turkey to buy its Patriot missile defense system. U.S. officials say the Russian system is incompatible with NATO systems and would risk F-35 fighter jets to possible Russian trickery. Turkey has no plans to integrate the S-400 with NATO systems and says it would pose no threat to NATO. Turkey said the purchase of the S-400 did not mean it is seeking "alternatives" in its relations with the West.

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# PHRASE MATCHING

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## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                                  |                         |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. U.S.-Turkey relations have    | a. aggression by Russia |
| 2. defense                       | b. ties with Russia     |
| 3. The USA and Turkey            | c. organization         |
| 4. NATO - a defense              | d. soured               |
| 5. counter any possible military | e. concerns for the USA |
| 6. The USA has the biggest       | f. equipment            |
| 7. establishing closer           | g. are both allies      |
| 8. This has caused security      | h. military in NATO     |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                       |                        |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. it would face economic             | a. integrate the S-400 |
| 2. the USA's high-tech F-35 fighter   | b. Russian trickery    |
| 3. incompatible with                  | c. "alternatives"      |
| 4. risk F-35 fighter jets to possible | d. jet programme       |
| 5. Turkey has no plans to             | e. with the West       |
| 6. it would pose no                   | f. sanctions           |
| 7. it is seeking                      | g. NATO systems        |
| 8. relations                          | h. threat to NATO      |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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U.S.-Turkey (1) \_\_\_\_\_ after Turkey purchased a Russian missile defense system, the (2) \_\_\_\_\_ which were made on Friday. The USA had warned Turkey not to buy the S-400 missile defense equipment from Russia. The USA and Turkey (3) \_\_\_\_\_ in NATO - a defense organization (4) \_\_\_\_\_ any possible military aggression by Russia. NATO consists of 29 North American and European nations. The USA has (5) \_\_\_\_\_ in NATO. Turkey has recently been establishing closer ties with Russia. This has caused (6) \_\_\_\_\_ the USA.

The U.S. warned Turkey it would (7) \_\_\_\_\_ if it installed the S-400 system. It also said Turkey would not (8) \_\_\_\_\_ the USA's high-tech F-35 (9) \_\_\_\_\_. The U.S. wants Turkey to buy its Patriot missile defense system. U.S. officials say the Russian system (10) \_\_\_\_\_ NATO systems and would risk F-35 fighter jets to possible Russian trickery. Turkey has no (11) \_\_\_\_\_ the S-400 with NATO systems and says it would (12) \_\_\_\_\_ to NATO. Turkey said the purchase of the S-400 did not mean it is seeking "alternatives" in its relations with the West.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# MISSILE DEFENCE SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1907/190714-missile-defense-system-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about missile defense systems 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) \_\_\_\_\_

