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EU wants change after Lampedusa deaths

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Europe has a refugee problem. Europeans are shocked because over 250 Africans died near Italy. Their boat sank near the beach. There are many accidents. European leaders always ask for change, but nothing happens. Maybe there will be change now. One idea is more rescue boats. They can work in the area between Spain and Cyprus.

This problem is difficult. Europeans want stronger borders. They do not want many, many people coming in. Italy is in the middle of the Mediterranean Sea. It saves thousands of lives every year. Italy wants more help from Europe. An Italian said the Mediterranean is the Africa-Europe border, not the Africa-Italy border.

Sources: <http://www.dw.de/eu-ministers-look-for-solutions-to-the-refugee-crisis/a-17145833>
<http://euobserver.com/justice/121712>

VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Europe has a refugee | a. be change now |
| 2. Europeans are | b. died near Italy |
| 3. over 250 Africans | c. shocked |
| 4. Their boat sank | d. problem |
| 5. leaders always ask for change, | e. near the beach |
| 6. Maybe there will | f. boats |
| 7. rescue | g. and Cyprus |
| 8. between Spain | h. but nothing happens |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. This problem | a. thousands of lives |
| 2. Europeans want | b. Mediterranean Sea |
| 3. many people coming | c. the Africa-Europe border |
| 4. in the middle of the | d. stronger borders |
| 5. It saves | e. border |
| 6. Italy wants more | f. is difficult |
| 7. the Mediterranean is | g. in |
| 8. the Africa-Italy | h. help from Europe |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Europe (1) _____ problem. Europeans are shocked because over 250 Africans died near Italy. Their boat sank (2) _____. There are many accidents. European leaders (3) _____ change, but nothing happens. (4) _____ be change now. One idea is more (5) _____. They can work in (6) _____ Spain and Cyprus.

This (7) _____. Europeans want stronger borders. They do not want many, (8) _____ in. Italy is (9) _____ the Mediterranean Sea. It saves (10) _____ every year. Italy (11) _____ Europe. An Italian said the Mediterranean is the Africa-Europe (12) _____ Africa-Italy border.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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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) _____

WRITING

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Write about **refugees** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.

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