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USA Olympics uniforms 'security risk' in Sochi

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THE ARTICLE

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American athletes attending the Sochi Winter Olympics have been told that their Team USA uniforms pose a potential security risk if worn outside designated security zones. Security is reported to be the tightest ever for any Olympics. It includes the "Ring of Steel" – a heavily fortified zone that stretches for 90 kilometres along the coast and 40 kilometres inland. There are checkpoints everywhere and everyone will be X-rayed as they enter the zone. A US State Department official advised that: "If you are an American Olympic athlete, you don't want to advertise that far outside the Olympic venues." It added: "Wearing conspicuous Team USA clothing in non-accredited areas may put your personal safety at greater risk."

There are fears that the games may be targeted by militants from Russian states that want to break away from Russia. One group from Dagestan recently posted a video claiming responsibility for two suicide bombings in the southern city of Volgograd which killed 34 people and injured dozens more. President Vladimir Putin has given his personal assurance that the games will be safe and successful. Russian security officials are currently hunting for three potential female suicide bombers, one of whom is suspected to be in the Sochi area. US officials have warned there will be more threats to come as the time for the opening ceremony draws nearer. The games will be held between February 7 and 23.

Sources: <http://news.sky.com/story/1200548/team-usa-uniforms-pose-security-risk-in-sochi>
<http://edition.cnn.com/2014/01/24/us/sochi-us-security/>

WARM-UPS

1. SOCHI OLYMPICS: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about Sochi Olympics. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, decide which of these topics or words from the article are most interesting and which are most boring.

athletes / Olympics / uniforms / security risk / checkpoints / advertise / personal safety / militants / cideo / responsibility / injured / assurance / hunting / threats / ceremony

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

3. SECURITY: How effective can security measures be? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

Measure	How effective?	How can it be breached?
Checkpoints		
Background checks		
Extra police		
Video cameras		
X-ray machines		
Body searches		

4. TEAM UNIFORMS: Students A **strongly** believe team uniforms should only be worn at the venues; Students B **strongly** believe they can be worn anywhere. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

5. WINTER OLYMPICS GAMES: Rank these and share your rankings with your partner. Put the best at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- curling
- figure skating
- bobsleigh
- snowboarding
- ski jumping
- speed skating
- ice hockey
- freestyle skiing

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

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1401/140127-sochi-olympics.html>

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

- | | |
|---|-------|
| a. Team USA's Olympic uniforms are dangerous in cold weather. | T / F |
| b. US athletes are advised to wear uniforms only inside the security area. | T / F |
| c. Russian authorities have set up a 90-km-long security zone. | T / F |
| d. The US State Department said there should be no adverts on uniforms. | T / F |
| e. People are worried Russian separatists will attack the games. | T / F |
| f. A group from Moscow claimed responsibility for a recent suicide bomb. | T / F |
| g. Security officials are looking for 3 suspected terrorists in Sochi city. | T / F |
| h. America said it expects there to be more threats. | T / F |

2. SYNONYM MATCH: Match the following synonyms from the article.

- | | |
|----------------|-----------------|
| 1. attending | a. chosen |
| 2. pose | b. hurt |
| 3. designated | c. focused on |
| 4. advised | d. appearing at |
| 5. conspicuous | e. presumed |
| 6. targeted | f. secede from |
| 7. break away | g. guarantee |
| 8. injured | h. warned |
| 9. assurance | i. represent |
| 10. suspected | j. standing out |

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

- | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. outside designated | a. Team USA clothing |
| 2. a heavily fortified zone that | b. assurance |
| 3. everyone will be X-rayed | c. targeted by militants |
| 4. Wearing conspicuous | d. security zones |
| 5. put your personal | e. as they enter the zone |
| 6. the games may be | f. ceremony |
| 7. claiming | g. threats to come |
| 8. Putin has given his personal | h. safety at greater risk |
| 9. there will be more | i. responsibility |
| 10. opening | j. stretches for 90 km |

GAP FILL

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1401/140127-sochi-olympics.html>

American athletes (1) _____ the Sochi Winter Olympics have been told that their Team USA uniforms (2) _____ a potential security risk if worn outside designated security zones. Security is reported to be the (3) _____ ever for any Olympics. It includes the "Ring of Steel" - a heavily (4) _____ zone that stretches for 90 kilometres along the coast and 40 kilometres inland. There are checkpoints everywhere and everyone will be (5) _____ as they enter the zone. A US State Department official advised that: "If you are an American Olympic athlete, you don't want to (6) _____ that far outside the Olympic (7) _____." It added: "Wearing conspicuous Team USA clothing in non-accredited areas may put your (8) _____ safety at greater risk."

X-rayed
personal
pose
advertise
attending
venues
tightest
fortified

There are fears that the games may be (9) _____ by militants from Russian states that want to break away from Russia. One group from Dagestan (10) _____ posted a video claiming responsibility for two suicide bombings in the southern city of Volgograd which killed 34 people and (11) _____ dozens more. President Vladimir Putin has given his personal (12) _____ that the games will be safe and successful. Russian security officials are currently hunting for three (13) _____ female suicide bombers, one of whom is (14) _____ to be in the Sochi area. US officials have warned there will be more (15) _____ to come as the time for the opening ceremony draws nearer. The games will be (16) _____ between February 7 and 23.

injured
held
targeted
assurance
suspected
recently
threats
potential

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

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- 1) their Team USA uniforms pose a _____
 - a. potential security risk
 - b. potentially security risk
 - c. potential security risky
 - d. potentially security risky
- 2) if worn outside _____ zones
 - a. designed ate it security
 - b. less ignited security
 - c. these signalled security
 - d. designated security
- 3) It includes the "Ring of Steel" – a _____ zone
 - a. heavy fortified
 - b. healthily fortified
 - c. heavily fortified
 - d. heavenly fortified
- 4) If you are an American Olympic athlete, you don't want to _____
 - a. ad fast eyes that
 - b. advocate that
 - c. ad barthers that
 - d. advertise that
- 5) Wearing conspicuous Team USA clothing in _____
 - a. not-accredited areas
 - b. non-accredited areas
 - c. known-accredited areas
 - d. knowing-accredited areas
- 6) There are fears that the games may be targeted _____
 - a. by militancy
 - b. by militants
 - c. by million tanks
 - d. by milling tanks
- 7) One group from Dagestan recently posted a video _____
 - a. claiming responsibility
 - b. claiming responsible
 - c. claiming responsibilities
 - d. claiming response ability
- 8) President Vladimir Putin has given his _____
 - a. personal assure once
 - b. personal as sure ants
 - c. personal assurance
 - d. personal insurance
- 9) US officials have warned there will be more _____
 - a. threats to come
 - b. treats to come
 - c. threatens to come
 - d. frets to come
- 10) as the time for the opening ceremony _____
 - a. claws nearer
 - b. draws nearer
 - c. doors nearer
 - d. drawls nearer

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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There are fears that the games (7) _____ militants from Russian states that want to break away from Russia. One group from Dagestan recently posted a video (8) _____ for two suicide bombings in the southern city of Volgograd which killed 34 people and (9) _____. President Vladimir Putin has given his personal (10) _____ games will be safe and successful. Russian security officials are currently hunting (11) _____ female suicide bombers, one of whom is suspected to be in the Sochi area. US officials have warned there will be more threats to come as the time for the opening (12) _____. The games will be held between February 7 and 23.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1401/140127-sochi-olympics.html>

1. Where is it unsafe for US athletes to wear their team uniforms?

2. How many Olympics before Sochi had tighter security?

3. What is the name of the security area?

4. What will happen to people as they enter the security zone?

5. What did a US State Department official could be at risk?

6. Who might attack the games?

7. Who claimed responsibility for suicide bombings in Volgograd?

8. How many suspected suicide bombers are security officials looking for?

9. How many of the suspected suicide bombers are thought to be in Sochi?

10. What did US officials warn there will be more of?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1401/140127-sochi-olympics.html>

1. Where is it unsafe for US athletes to wear their team uniforms?
 - a) in restaurants
 - b) everywhere
 - c) at airports
 - d) outside designated security areas
2. How many Olympics before Sochi had tighter security?
 - a) five
 - b) none
 - c) two
 - d) four
3. What is the name of the security area?
 - a) the DSA (Designated Security Area)
 - b) Lockdown Sochi
 - c) the Ring of Steel
 - d) Boris
4. What will happen to people as they enter the security zone?
 - a) they'll be X-rayed
 - b) they'll be strip-searched
 - c) their passports will be taken
 - d) they'll be sprayed with a special dye
5. What did a US State Department official could be at risk?
 - a) the future of the Olympics
 - b) the gold medals
 - c) personal safety
 - d) the chances of enough snow
6. Who might attack the games?
 - a) the Press
 - b) militants
 - c) athletes who lose
 - d) hot countries
7. Who claimed responsibility for suicide bombings in Volgograd?
 - a) Vladimir Popov
 - b) no one
 - c) the Free Russia Army
 - d) a group from Dagestan
8. How many suspected suicide bombers are security officials looking for?
 - a) 3
 - b) 5
 - c) 2
 - d) 4
9. How many of the suspected suicide bombers are thought to be in Sochi?
 - a) 3
 - b) 2
 - c) 1
 - d) 0
10. What did US officials warn there will be more of?
 - a) snow
 - b) threats
 - c) new world records
 - d) drug cheats

ROLE PLAY

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1401/140127-sochi-olympics.html>

Role A – Winter Olympics

You think the Winter Olympics is the world's greatest sporting event. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that are wrong with their events. Also, tell the others which is the least exciting of these (and why): the soccer World Cup, the Summer Olympics or F1 motor racing.

Role B – Soccer World Cup

You think the soccer World Cup is the world's greatest sporting event. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that are wrong with their events. Also, tell the others which is the least exciting of these (and why): the Winter Olympics, the Summer Olympics or F1 motor racing.

Role C – Summer Olympics

You think the Summer Olympics is the world's greatest sporting event. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that are wrong with their events. Also, tell the others which is the least exciting of these (and why): the soccer World Cup, the Winter Olympics or F1 motor racing.

Role D – F1 Motor Racing Grands Prix

You think F1 motor racing is the world's greatest sporting event. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that are wrong with their events. Also, tell the others which is the least exciting of these (and why): the soccer World Cup, the Summer Olympics or the Winter Olympics.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1401/140127-sochi-olympics.html>

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

winter	Olympics

- 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">• pose• ever• 90• enter• far• clothing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• targeted• posted• two• dozens• safe• come
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SOCHI OLYMPICS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about the Sochi Olympics 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.

SOCHI OLYMPICS & SECURITY DISCUSSION

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

- a) What did you think when you read the headline?
- b) What springs to mind when you hear the word 'Olympics'?
- c) What do you think of the Winter Olympics?
- d) Should athletes wear uniforms that aren't covered with national colors?
- e) Do you think the Olympics will be safe?
- f) Can there ever be too much security at major international events?
- g) Have you ever been searched?
- h) Would you worry about security if you attended the Sochi Olympics?
- i) If you were an athlete, would you wear your national uniform?
- j) Have you ever felt your personal safety was at risk?

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SOCHI OLYMPICS & SECURITY DISCUSSION

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

- a) Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
- b) Which is better, the Winter Olympics or the Summer Olympics?
- c) What would militants gain from attacking the Olympics?
- d) Should Russia accept the help offered by America's security forces?
- e) What are you most looking forward to about the Sochi Olympics?
- f) Is President Putin's personal assurance of safety reassuring?
- g) What inspires you most about the Olympics?
- h) What winter sport would you like to win a gold medal in (and why)?
- i) What other threats do you think there might be?
- j) What questions would you like to ask the head of security for Sochi?

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

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There are fears that the games may be (7) _____ by militants from Russian states that want to break away from Russia. One group from Dagestan recently posted a video claiming (8) _____ for two suicide bombings in the southern city of Volgograd which killed 34 people and injured (9) _____ more. President Vladimir Putin has given his personal assurance that the games will be safe and successful. Russian security officials are currently hunting for three (10) _____ female suicide bombers, one of whom is suspected to be in the Sochi area. US officials have warned there will be more (11) _____ to come as the time for the opening ceremony (12) _____ nearer. The games will be held between February 7 and 23.

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

- | | | | | |
|-----|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------------|
| 1. | (a) suppose | (b) pose | (c) impose | (d) oppose |
| 2. | (a) closest | (b) tautest | (c) firmest | (d) tightest |
| 3. | (a) steadily | (b) heavily | (c) sluggishly | (d) extremely |
| 4. | (a) ridge | (b) plateau | (c) coast | (d) archipelago |
| 5. | (a) far | (b) for | (c) near | (d) nearly |
| 6. | (a) at | (b) in | (c) on | (d) of |
| 7. | (a) intended | (b) earmarked | (c) aimed | (d) targeted |
| 8. | (a) responsibility | (b) responsible | (c) response | (d) responsiveness |
| 9. | (a) dime a dozen | (b) dozens | (c) denizens | (d) dozes off |
| 10. | (a) potentially | (b) potent | (c) potential | (d) proportionate |
| 11. | (a) treats | (b) treads | (c) threats | (d) threads |
| 12. | (a) illustrates | (b) draws | (c) sketches | (d) doodles |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. pose a tneipaotl security risk
2. outside gsdnedtia security zones
3. a heavily tfroefiid zone
4. everyone will be drey-aX
5. Wearing ocuupisnsco Team USA clothing
6. in non-caddtcreie areas

Paragraph 2

7. targeted by tmniilats
8. claiming lsbsotinipirey
9. injured ndseoz
10. Putin has given his personal aacerunss
11. there will be more etrhtsa to come
12. the opening mrenyeoc

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

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Number these lines in the correct order.

- () currently hunting for three potential female suicide bombers, one of whom is
- () X-rayed as they enter the zone. A US State Department official advised that: "If you are an American Olympic
- () bombings in the southern city of Volgograd which killed 34 people and injured dozens more. President Vladimir Putin has given his
- () a potential security risk if worn outside designated security zones. Security is reported to be the tightest
- () conspicuous Team USA clothing in non-accredited areas may put your personal safety at greater risk."
- () ever for any Olympics. It includes the "Ring of Steel" – a heavily fortified zone that stretches for 90 kilometres along
- () to come as the time for the opening ceremony draws nearer. The games will be held between February 7 and 23.
- () athlete, you don't want to advertise that far outside the Olympic venues." It added: "Wearing
- () personal assurance that the games will be safe and successful. Russian security officials are
- () suspected to be in the Sochi area. US officials have warned there will be more threats
- () the coast and 40 kilometres inland. There are checkpoints everywhere and everyone will be
- () There are fears that the games may be targeted by militants from Russian states that want to break
- (**1**) American athletes attending the Sochi Winter Olympics have been told that their Team USA uniforms pose
- () away from Russia. One group from Dagestan recently posted a video claiming responsibility for two suicide

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. a risk Team pose security Their uniforms potential USA.

2. be Security the is tightest reported ever to.

3. that 90 A zone for fortified stretches km heavily.

4. be will Everyone zone the enter they as X-rayed .

5. non areas Team in accredited Conspicuous clothing - USA.

6. the be militants that may by Fears games targeted.

7. video responsibility Recently a claiming posted.

8. will and Assurance games safe the be successful that.

9. bombers suicide female potential three for Hunting.

10. will Officials be have more warned threats there.

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1401/140127-sochi-olympics.html>

American athletes *attending* / *attendance* the Sochi Winter Olympics have been told that their Team USA uniforms *pose* / *posing* a potential security risk if worn outside *designed* / *designated* security zones. Security is reported to *be* / *have* the tightest ever for any Olympics. It includes the "Ring of Steel" – a *heavily* / *voluminous* fortified zone that stretches for 90 kilometres along the *coastal* / *coast* and 40 kilometres *inland* / *on land*. There are checkpoints everywhere and everyone will be X-rayed as they enter the zone. A US State Department official *advice* / *advised* that: "If you are an American Olympic athlete, you don't want to advertise that *for* / *far* outside the Olympic venues." It added: "Wearing *conspicuous* / *conscious* Team USA clothing in non-accredited areas may put your personal safety at greater risk."

There are *fears* / *fearsome* that the games may be targeted by *militancy* / *militants* from Russian states that want to break away from Russia. One group from Dagestan recently *pasted* / *posted* a video claiming responsibility for two suicide bombings in the *southern* / *southerner* city of Volgograd which killed 34 people and injured *dozen* / *dozens* more. President Vladimir Putin has given his personal *insurance* / *assurance* that the games will be safe and successful. Russian security officials are currently *chasing* / *hunting* for three *potential* / *potentially* female suicide bombers, one of whom is suspected to be in the Sochi area. US officials have warned there will be more *treats* / *threats* to come as the time for the opening ceremony draws nearer. The games will be *held* / *holding* between February 7 and 23.

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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_m_r_c_n _thl_t_s _tt_nd_ng th_ S_ch_ W_nt_r
_lymp_cs h_v_ b_n t_ld th_t th_r T_m _S_
_n_f_rms p_s_ _p_t_nt_l s_c_r_ty r_sk _f w_rn
_ts_d_ d_s_gn_t_d s_c_r_ty z_n_s. S_c_r_ty _s
r_p_r_t_d t_b_ th_t ght_st _v_r_f_r_ny _lymp_cs. _t
_ncl_d_s th_ "R_ng _f St_l" - _h_v_ly f_r_t_f_d
z_n_ th_t str_tch_s f_r 90 k_l_m_tr_s _l_ng th_ c__st
_nd 40 k_l_m_tr_s _nl_nd. Th_r_ _r_ ch_ckp__nts
_v_rywh_r_ _nd _v_ry_n_ w_ll b_ X-r_y_d _s th_y
_nt_r th_ z_n_. _S St_t_ D_p_rtm_nt _ff_c__l
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_thl_t_, y__ d_n't w_nt t_ _dv_r_t_s_ th_t f_r __ts_d_
th_ _lymp_c_v_n__s." _t _dd_d: "W__r_ng c_nsp_c__s
T_m _S_ cl_th_ng _n_n_n-ccr_d_t_d _r__s m_y p_t
y__r_p_rs_n_l_s_f_ty _t gr__t_r_r_sk."

Th_r_ _r_ f__rs th_t th_ g_m_s m_y b_ t_rg_t_d by
m_l_t_nts fr_m R_ss__n st_t_s th_t w_nt t_ br_k
_w_y fr_m R_ss___. _n_ gr__p fr_m D_g_st_n_r_c_ntly
p_st_d_ _v_d__ cl__m_ng r_sp_ns_b_l_ty f_r tw_
s__c_d_ b_mb_ngs _n th_ s__th_rn c_ty _f V_lg_gr_d
wh_ch k_ll_d 34 p__pl_ _nd _nj_r_d d_z_ns m_r_.
Pr_s_d_nt V_l_d_m_r P_t_n h_s g_v_n h_s p_rs_n_l
_ss_r_nc_ th_t th_ g_m_s w_ll b_ s_f_ _nd s_cc_ssf_l.
R_ss__n s_c_r_ty _ff_c__ls _r_ c_rr_ntly h_nt_ng f_r
thr__ p_t_nt__l f_m_l_ s__c_d_ b_mb_rs, _n_ _f wh_m
_s_s_sp_ct_d t_b_ _n th_ S_ch_ _r__. _S_ _ff_c__ls
h_v_ w_rn_d th_r_ w_ll b_ m_r_ thr__ts t_c_m__s th_
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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FREE WRITING

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Write about the **Sochi Olympics** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner's paper.

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 the Sochi Olympics. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. SOCHI OLYMPICS: Make a poster about the Sochi Olympics. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. SECURITY: Write a magazine article about security at the Sochi Olympics. Include imaginary interviews with those organizing the security.

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 a security expert. Ask him/her three questions about security at the Sochi Olympics. Give him/her three of your worries about the games. 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 T d F e T f F g F h T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)

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|----------------|-----------------|
| 1. attending | a. appearing at |
| 2. pose | b. represent |
| 3. designated | c. chosen |
| 4. advised | d. warned |
| 5. conspicuous | e. easily seen |
| 6. targeted | f. focused on |
| 7. break away | g. secede from |
| 8. injured | h. hurt |
| 9. assurance | i. guarantee |
| 10. suspected | j. presumed |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)

1. Outside designated security zones
2. None
3. The Ring of Steel
4. They'll be X-rayed
5. Personal safety
6. Militants wanting to break away from Russia
7. A group from Dagestan
8. Three
9. One
10. Threats

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 ;-)