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World helps Nigeria look for kidnapped girls

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THE READING

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Many countries are helping Nigeria to find over 220 schoolgirls kidnapped last week by the Islamist group Boko Haram. The USA, China, France, Britain and Canada are helping to locate the missing girls. The American military is now in Nigeria. Boko Haram kidnapped them and said it would sell them. Barack Obama said it was "heartbreaking" and "outrageous". One of Egypt's top Islamic universities said harming the girls was against what Islam taught.

Malala Yousafzai, the Pakistani schoolgirl shot by the Taliban, is shocked at the kidnappings. She said: "These girls are my sisters, and I am feeling very sad." She told them: "Never lose hope." She compared the kidnapping to her hometown. She said: "In Swat, we were suffering. Girls were banned from going to school....They were in schools trying to study, thinking about their future." She called the kidnapping in Nigeria, "another kind of terrorism".

Sources: <http://www.nbcnews.com/storyline/missing-nigeria-schoolgirls/malala-says-kidnapped-nigerian-schoolgirls-are-her-sisters-n99701>
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VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

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| 1. Many countries are | a. and "outrageous" |
| 2. helping to | b. the girls |
| 3. The American military is | c. Islamic universities |
| 4. Boko Haram kidnapped | d. Islam taught |
| 5. Obama said it was "heartbreaking" | e. locate the missing girls |
| 6. Egypt's top | f. helping Nigeria |
| 7. harming | g. now in Nigeria |
| 8. against what | h. them |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

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| 2. shocked at | b. very sad |
| 3. These girls are | c. the kidnappings |
| 4. I am feeling | d. their future |
| 5. Never lose | e. of terrorism |
| 6. Girls were banned | f. by the Taliban |
| 7. thinking about | g. hope |
| 8. another kind | h. my sisters |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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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)

g)

h)

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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)

g)

h)
