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#### Level 4

# Myanmar and Iraq most generous countries 28th October, 2016

http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1610/161028-charity-4.html

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#### THE READING

From <a href="http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1610/161028-charity-4.html">http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1610/161028-charity-4.html</a>

Myanmar has changed since becoming a democracy. The Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) has just stated Myanmar has the world's most generous people, for the third successive year. The CAF "World Giving Index" found that 91 per cent of Myanmar residents gave to charity in the past year. A government spokesman said this showed: How a 'poor' country can be a 'rich' one through its generosity, by focusing on giving rather than getting."

The report also found that people in Iraq are the kindest to strangers. The BBC said this was significant. It wrote: "It is the kindness of Iraqis...to complete strangers in the face of years of conflict and terrible violence which stands out in the list." The CAF said the generosity of people in countries suffering from disaster and turmoil was "truly humbling". It added: "Unconditional gifts of time and money are a life-changing force for good in the world."

Sources: http://www.bbc.com/news/world-asia-37762753

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#### PHRASE MATCHING

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#### **PARAGRAPH ONE:**

- 1. since becoming
- 2. Myanmar has the world's most
- 3. for the third successive
- 4. 91 per cent of Myanmar
- 5. gave
- 6. in the
- 7. a 'poor' country can
- 8. focusing on giving

- a. generous people
- b. be a 'rich' one
- c. residents
- d. rather than getting
- e. a democracy
- f. to charity
- g. year
- h. past year

#### **PARAGRAPH TWO:**

- 1. The BBC said this
- 2. complete
- 3. in the face
- 4. stands out in
- 5. countries suffering from disaster
- 6. truly
- 7. Unconditional gifts of time
- 8. a life-changing force

- a. and turmoil
- b. humbling
- c. for good
- d. was significant
- e. of years of conflict
- f. and money
- g. the list
- h. strangers

# **LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS**

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### PUT A SLASH ( / )WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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#### **CHARITY SURVEY**

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Write five GOOD questions about charity 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).

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## **WRITING**

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Write about <b>charity</b>	for 10 minutes.	Read and talk	about your pa	rtner's paper.