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## **Level 2**

### **USA ends 'patience' with North Korea**

**20th April, 2017**

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**Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.**

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# THE READING

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The Vice President of the USA, Mike Pence, has said US-North Korea relations have changed. Mr Pence said that the USA has been very patient with North Korea for many years. It tried talking to end North Korea's nuclear weapons testing. However, President Donald Trump promised he would stop North Korea developing nuclear weapons. He said: "Since 1992, the US and our allies have stood together for a denuclearized Korean Peninsula. We hope to achieve this objective through peaceable means. But all options are on the table." One of these options is to attack North Korea's missiles.

Mr Pence's warning came the day after North Korea tested another missile. Pence said North Korea's missile testing is a danger to the USA because soon, North Korea will have missiles that can reach America. North Korea's Vice Foreign Minister said his country would continue to test missiles. He said: "We'll be conducting more missile tests on a weekly, monthly and yearly basis." He added that an "all-out war" would happen if the US took military action. North Korea's ambassador to the UN said the US was "disturbing global peace and stability" and was using "gangster-like logic" in its foreign policy.

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# PHRASE MATCHING

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## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                                   |                     |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. US-North Korea relations have  | a. peaceable means  |
| 2. the USA has been very patient  | b. weapons          |
| 3. Donald Trump promised he would | c. is to attack     |
| 4. developing nuclear             | d. allies           |
| 5. the US and our                 | e. the table        |
| 6. achieve this objective through | f. changed          |
| 7. all options are on             | g. stop North Korea |
| 8. One of these options           | h. with North Korea |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                               |                     |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Mr Pence's warning came    | a. to the UN        |
| 2. North Korea tested another | b. like logic       |
| 3. on a weekly, monthly and   | c. policy           |
| 4. an all-out                 | d. yearly basis     |
| 5. f the US took military     | e. the day after    |
| 6. North Korea's ambassador   | f. war would happen |
| 7. gangster-                  | g. missile          |
| 8. foreign                    | h. action           |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The Vice President of the USA, Mike Pence, has said US-North Korea (1) \_\_\_\_\_ changed. Mr Pence said that the USA has been (2) \_\_\_\_\_ North Korea for many years. It tried talking to end North Korea's nuclear (3) \_\_\_\_\_. However, President Donald Trump promised he would stop North Korea developing nuclear weapons. He said: "Since 1992, the US (4) \_\_\_\_\_ have stood together for a denuclearized Korean Peninsula. We hope to achieve (5) \_\_\_\_\_ peaceable means. But all options are on the table." One of these options (6) \_\_\_\_\_ North Korea's missiles.

Mr Pence's warning came (7) \_\_\_\_\_ North Korea tested another missile. Pence said North Korea's missile (8) \_\_\_\_\_ danger to the USA because soon, North Korea will have missiles that (9) \_\_\_\_\_ America. North Korea's Vice Foreign Minister said his country would continue to test missiles. He said: "We'll be (10) \_\_\_\_\_ missile tests on a weekly, monthly and yearly basis." He added that an "(11) \_\_\_\_\_" would happen if the US took military action. North Korea's ambassador to the UN said the US was "disturbing global (12) \_\_\_\_\_" and was using "gangster-like logic" in its foreign policy.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# NORTH KOREA SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1704/170420-north-korea-tensions-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about North Korea 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) \_\_\_\_\_

# WRITING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1704/170420-north-korea-tensions-2.html>

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

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