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Level 2

Volvo will start making only all-electric cars

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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 car company Volvo has said all new cars it makes from 2019 will have an electric motor. It will stop making cars that use only petrol or diesel engines. Volvo said it plans to sell five fully electric cars and some hybrid cars by 2021. A hybrid car has an engine that is both electric and petrol-driven. Volvo is the first big carmaker to say it will stop making cars with only petrol engines. The petrol engine has been used in cars for over a century. Volvo said: "People increasingly demand electrified cars, and we want to respond to our customers' current and future needs."

More car companies are now selling electric and hybrid cars. The American company Tesla makes only all-electric cars. Its stock market value is now 25 per cent higher than that of Ford. Tesla recently said it would make 20,000 of its Model 3 cars a month by December. Volvo hopes to sell a million electrified cars by 2025. It also hopes to change its factories to be more environmentally friendly. It hopes to start "climate-neutral" manufacturing. Volvo said it will have one of the widest ranges of electrified cars of any carmaker in the world.

Sources: <http://www.bbc.com/news/business-40505671>
<http://www.autotrader.co.uk/content/news/volvo-to-produce-all-electric-cars-from-2019>
<http://www.autoexpress.co.uk/volvo/100024/volvo-to-go-electric-with-new-range-of-evs-and-hybrid-models-from-2019>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. an electric | a. future needs |
| 2. only petrol or | b. motor |
| 3. sell five fully | c. demand electrified cars |
| 4. it will stop making cars with | d. diesel engines |
| 5. used in cars | e. to our customers |
| 6. People increasingly | f. electric cars |
| 7. we want to respond | g. for over a century |
| 8. current and | h. only petrol engines |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. selling electric | a. friendly |
| 2. Tesla makes only all- | b. of electrified cars |
| 3. Its stock market | c. electric cars |
| 4. Tesla recently said it would | d. in the world |
| 5. be more environmentally | e. and hybrid cars |
| 6. "climate-neutral" | f. make 20,000 |
| 7. have one of the widest ranges | g. value |
| 8. of any carmaker | h. manufacturing |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The car company Volvo (1) _____ cars it makes from 2019 will have an electric motor. It will stop making cars that (2) _____ or diesel engines. Volvo said it plans to sell five fully electric cars and (3) _____ by 2021. A hybrid car has an engine that is both electric and petrol-driven. Volvo is the first big carmaker (4) _____ stop making cars with only petrol engines. The petrol engine has been used in cars (5) _____ century. Volvo said: "People increasingly demand electrified cars, and we want to respond to our customers' (6) _____ needs."

More car companies are now selling electric and hybrid cars. The American company Tesla (7) _____-electric cars. Its stock market (8) _____ 25 per cent higher than that of Ford. Tesla recently said it would make 20,000 of its Model 3 (9) _____ December. Volvo hopes to sell a million electrified cars by 2025. (10) _____ change its factories to be more environmentally friendly. (11) _____ "climate-neutral" manufacturing. Volvo said it will have (12) _____ ranges of electrified cars of any carmaker in the world.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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ELECTRIC CARS SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1707/170707-electric-cars-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about electric cars 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) _____

