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Level 1

2017 was UK's greenest energy year ever

30th December, 2017

<https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1712/171230-green-energy-1.html>

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Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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The UK is using more green energy, like wind, nuclear and solar energy. It is using fewer fossil fuels. New figures show that 2017 was the UK's greenest year ever for electricity. It also had its first coal-free day for 150 years and broke 13 clean energy records. In June, wind, nuclear and solar power produced more electricity than gas and coal for the first time. The UK's power system is now the seventh cleanest in the world.

The UK wants to use less coal, which supplies less than 7 per cent of its electricity. It also wants to use less gas to meet greenhouse gas targets. The UK uses too much gas. A charity is happy that the UK is becoming greener. It said: "We have never been cleaner or greener, and we are on [target] for an even better year in 2018." It added: "Climate change is [damaging] our nature and wildlife, but we are...turning our backs on...fossil fuels [for a] clean future."

Sources: <http://www.bbc.com/news/uk-42495883>
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PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1712/171230-green-energy-1.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. It is using fewer fossil | a. energy records |
| 2. 2017 was the UK's greenest | b. system |
| 3. It also had its first coal-free | c. fuels |
| 4. broke 13 clean | d. in the world |
| 5. wind, nuclear and solar | e. day for 150 years |
| 6. gas and | f. power |
| 7. The UK's power | g. year ever |
| 8. the seventh cleanest | h. coal |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. The UK wants to | a. becoming greener |
| 2. meet greenhouse | b. and wildlife |
| 3. happy that the UK is | c. target |
| 4. we are on | d. future |
| 5. an even | e. gas targets |
| 6. damaging our nature | f. backs |
| 7. we are turning our | g. use less coal |
| 8. a clean | h. better year in 2018 |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The UK is using more green energy, like wind, (1) _____ energy. It is using fewer fossil fuels. New figures show that 2017 was the UK's (2) _____ for electricity. It also had its first (3) _____ for 150 years and (4) _____ energy records. In June, wind, nuclear (5) _____ produced more electricity than gas and coal for the first time. The UK's power system is (6) _____ cleanest in the world.

The UK wants to (7) _____, which supplies less than 7 per cent of its electricity. It (8) _____ use less gas to meet greenhouse gas targets. The UK uses too much gas. A (9) _____ that the UK is becoming greener. It said: "We have (10) _____ or greener, and we are on [target] for an (11) _____ in 2018." It added: "Climate change is [damaging] our nature and wildlife, but we are...turning our (12) _____ fuels [for a] clean future."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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GREEN ENERGY SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1712/171230-green-energy-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about green energy 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) _____

