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Online deliveries clogging up city streets

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Please try Levels 4 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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The huge popularity of online shopping is creating chaos on city streets. The number of online deliveries is skyrocketing and so is the number of delivery trucks on the roads. The result is that hundreds more trucks are clogging up city streets. This is increasing traffic jams and pollution. There are hundreds more delivery trucks in cities around the world. They are all trying to deliver parcels on time. Delivery drivers are battling for parking spaces. Many have to park illegally, or double park. This adds to the gridlock for other road users. This problem is set to get worse.

The BBC reports that parcel deliveries shot up by almost 50 per cent between 2014 and 2016. This could increase by up to 28 per cent a year over the next three years. Many cities have taken tough measures to address the problems. Cities in Europe and Asia have barred deliveries when roads are busiest. London is thinking about using buses to deliver parcels. Some areas of London are also getting tough with food delivery motorbikes after their streets were being 'swarmed' by bikes. Food delivery companies in one London area must now apply for permission to operate.

Sources: <http://www.bbc.com/news/business-42245367>
<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/12/07/nyregion/ups-drivers-hours-online-shopping-holidays.html>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. creating chaos | a. for other road users |
| 2. more trucks are clogging | b. on time |
| 3. This is increasing traffic | c. to get worse |
| 4. trying to deliver parcels | d. up city streets |
| 5. Delivery drivers are battling for | e. illegally |
| 6. Many have to park | f. on city streets |
| 7. This adds to the gridlock | g. parking spaces |
| 8. This problem is set | h. jams |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. parcel deliveries | a. getting tough |
| 2. Many cities have taken tough | b. busiest |
| 3. address the | c. shot up |
| 4. when roads are | d. by bikes |
| 5. thinking about using buses to | e. measures |
| 6. Some areas of London are also | f. to operate |
| 7. streets were being 'swarmed' | g. problems |
| 8. apply for permission | h. deliver parcels |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The huge popularity of online shopping is (1) _____ city streets. The number of online deliveries (2) _____ so is the number of delivery trucks on the roads. The result is that hundreds more trucks (3) _____ city streets. This is increasing traffic jams and pollution. There are hundreds more delivery trucks in cities around the world. They are all (4) _____ parcels on time. Delivery drivers (5) _____ parking spaces. Many have to park illegally, or double park. This adds to the gridlock for other road users. This problem (6) _____ get worse.

The BBC reports that parcel (7) _____ by almost 50 per cent between 2014 and 2016. This could increase by up to 28 per cent a year over the next three years. Many cities have (8) _____ to address the problems. Cities in Europe and Asia have barred deliveries when (9) _____. London is thinking about using buses to deliver parcels. (10) _____ London are also getting tough with food delivery motorbikes after their streets were (11) _____ bikes. Food delivery companies in one London area must (12) _____ permission to operate.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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ONLINE DELIVERIES SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1801/180106-online-deliveries-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about online deliveries 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) _____

