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Level 1 – 5th July, 2018

Thai soccer boys cave rescue planned

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

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/180705-thai-cave-rescue-1.html>

The twelve boys and their football coach trapped in a Thai cave are alive. They were missing for nine days. The search for the group has been 24-hour news. No one knew if they were still alive. The boys, aged between 11 and 16, and their 25-year-old coach went missing on 23 June. They went into the cave when it was dry. There was heavy rain, which blocked the exit to the cave. The rain flooded it and trapped the boys and their coach.

The bad news is the team could be trapped for four months. Rescuers have to wait for the water to go down. The boys could learn to dive, but none of them can swim. Rescuers say they will take food and medicine to the boys. They are trying to put power and telephones in the cave. Two rescuers said the boys were happy, but very hungry. A mother of one of the boys saw a video of them and said: "I'm so happy I can't put it into words."

Sources: <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-asia-44692813>
<http://www.asiaone.com/>
<https://www.bangkokpost.com/news/general/1496678/rescuers-seek-totally-safe-cave-extraction-for-boys>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. They were missing | a. were still alive |
| 2. 24-hour | b. flooded it |
| 3. No one knew if they | c. news |
| 4. They went into the cave | d. and their coach |
| 5. There was heavy | e. when it was dry |
| 6. blocked the | f. rain |
| 7. The rain | g. for nine days |
| 8. trapped the boys | h. exit to the cave |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. The bad | a. it into words |
| 2. the team could be trapped | b. to wait |
| 3. Rescuers have | c. them can swim |
| 4. The boys could | d. and medicine |
| 5. none of | e. news |
| 6. they will take food | f. in the cave |
| 7. put power and telephones | g. for four months |
| 8. I'm so happy I can't put | h. learn to dive |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The twelve boys and their football (1) _____ a Thai cave are alive. They were (2) _____ days. The search for the group has been (3) _____. No one knew if they were still alive. The boys, aged between 11 and 16, and their 25-year-old coach (4) _____ 23 June. They went into the cave when it was dry. There was heavy rain, which (5) _____ to the cave. The rain flooded it and (6) _____ and their coach.

The bad news is the team could (7) _____ four months. Rescuers have to wait for the (8) _____ down. The boys could learn to dive, but (9) _____ can swim. Rescuers say they will take food and medicine to the boys. They are (10) _____ power and telephones in the cave. Two rescuers said the (11) _____, but very hungry. A mother of one of the boys saw a video of them and said: "I'm so happy I can't put (12) _____."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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ThetwelveboysandtheirfootballcoachtrappedinaThaicavearealive.Theyweremissingforninedays.Theseearchforthegrouphasbeen24-hournews.Nooneknewiftheywerestillalive.Theboys,agedbetween11and16,andtheir25-year-oldcoachwentmissingon23June.Theywentintothecavewhenitwasdry.Therewasheavyrain,whichblockedtheexittothecave.Therainfloodeditandtrappedtheboysandtheircoach.Thebadnewsistheteamcouldbetrappedforfourmonths.Rescuershavetowaitforthewatertogodown.Theboyscouldlearntodive,butnoneofthemcanswim.Rescuerssaytheywilltakefoodandmedicinetotheboys.Theyaretryingtoputpowerandtelephonesinthecave.Tworescuerssaidtheboyswerehappy,butveryhungry.Amotherofoneoftheboyssawavideoofthemandsaid:"I'msohappyIcan'tputitintowords."

CAVES SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/180705-thai-cave-rescue-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about caves 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) _____

