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**Level 5 – 1st January, 2019**

## The year 2019 to be the best ever

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1901/190101-the-year-2019-5.html>

There was a lot of bad and depressing news on television and the radio and in newspapers and news feeds in 2018. However, the year 2019 will be the best ever. Reporters say it will be a particularly good year for English students. The year will provide many opportunities to improve listening, speaking, reading and writing skills. Everybody's New Year's resolution should be to use the many websites that focus on language learning. Studying for just 30 minutes a day will reap great rewards in developing vocabulary, fluency and comprehension skills.

There are many reasons why 2019 will be great. However, we must work together and treat each other with love and respect. This year will be the year of helping those who are less fortunate than ourselves. It will be a great year for hobbies. Reporters say the stars in the sky are aligning to send positive energy for our hobbies. Financially, we may need to tighten our belts so we can overcome any money problems. And finally, we will all be healthier. We will take better care of ourselves. Reporters urge us all to exercise more and eat healthier food.

Source: Breaking News English.com

# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1901/190101-the-year-2019-5.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                               |                |
|-------------------------------|----------------|
| 1. depressing                 | a. on language |
| 2. news                       | b. good year   |
| 3. it will be a particularly  | c. rewards     |
| 4. provide many opportunities | d. feeds       |
| 5. New Year's                 | e. skills      |
| 6. focus                      | f. to improve  |
| 7. reap great                 | g. resolution  |
| 8. comprehension              | h. news        |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                 |                     |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. There are many               | a. with love        |
| 2. treat each other             | b. ourselves        |
| 3. those who are less fortunate | c. our belts        |
| 4. the stars in the sky         | d. to exercise more |
| 5. we may need to tighten       | e. reasons why      |
| 6. overcome any money           | f. are aligning     |
| 7. We will take better care of  | g. than ourselves   |
| 8. urge us all                  | h. problems         |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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There (1) \_\_\_\_\_ of bad and depressing news on television and the radio and in newspapers and news feeds in 2018. However, the year 2019 will be (2) \_\_\_\_\_. Reporters say it will be a particularly good year for English students. The year (3) \_\_\_\_\_ opportunities to improve listening, speaking, reading and writing skills. Everybody's New Year's resolution should (4) \_\_\_\_\_ the many websites (5) \_\_\_\_\_ language learning. Studying for just 30 minutes a day will (6) \_\_\_\_\_ in developing vocabulary, fluency and comprehension skills.

There are many reasons why 2019 will be great. However, we must work together and (7) \_\_\_\_\_ with love and respect. This year will be the year of helping those (8) \_\_\_\_\_ fortunate than ourselves. It will be a (9) \_\_\_\_\_ hobbies. Reporters say the stars in the sky (10) \_\_\_\_\_ send positive energy for our hobbies. Financially, we may need (11) \_\_\_\_\_ belts so we can overcome any money problems. And finally, we will all be healthier. We will take better care of ourselves. Reporters (12) \_\_\_\_\_ to exercise more and eat healthier food.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1901/190101-the-year-2019-5.html>

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innewspapersandnewsfeedsin2018.However,theyear2019willbethe  
bestever.ReporterssayitwillbeaparticularlygoodyearforEnglishstud  
ents.Theyearwillprovidemanyopportunitiestoimprovelistening,spea  
king,readingandwritingskills.Everybody'sNewYear'sresolutionshoul  
dbetouse themanywebsites that focus on language learning.Studyingf  
orjust30minutesadaywillreapgreatrewardsindevelopingvocabulary,  
fluencyandcomprehensionskills.Therearemanyreasonswhy2019will  
begreat.However,wemustworktogetherandtreateachotherwithlove  
andrespect.Thisyearwillbetheyearofhelpingthosewhoarelessfortun  
atethanourselves.Itwillbeagreatyearforhobbies.Reporterssaythet  
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ally,wemayneedtotightenourbeltssowecanovercomeanymoneypro  
blems.Andfinally,wewillallbehealthier.Wewilltakebettercareofourse  
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# THE YEAR 2019 SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1901/190101-the-year-2019-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about the year 2019 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 <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1901/190101-the-year-2019-5.html>

Write about **the year 2019** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.

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