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Level 4 – 24th June, 2019

Zero-carbon power bigger than fossil fuels in UK

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Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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The UK is working towards a greener planet. For the first time since the Industrial Revolution, more of the UK's energy is from zero-carbon fuels than fossil fuels. In 2019, fossil fuels produced less than half of the UK's electricity. A decade ago, three quarters came from fossil fuels. A "tipping point" has been reached and the UK will get more and more power from wind, solar, nuclear and hydro sources. The UK will use less coal, oil and gas.

The UK said the use of more renewables was a "key milestone on the journey towards net zero". It said zero-carbon power should increase to 90 per cent by the 2030s and reach net-zero carbon emissions by 2050. It would be the first major economy to do this. An analyst said the milestone was because of engineers who solved the technical problems of climate change. He said jobs will be lost in fossil fuel industries and created in low-carbon industries.

Sources: <https://metro.co.uk/2019/06/21/2019-first-year-zero-carbon-outstrips-fossil-fuels-10023149/?ito=cbshare>
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<https://www.iflscience.com/environment/britain-now-generates-more-power-zero-carbon-sources-fossil-fuels/>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. the first time since the | a. more power from wind |
| 2. fossil fuels produced less | b. ago |
| 3. a decade | c. coal |
| 4. three quarters came | d. than half |
| 5. A "tipping point" | e. sources |
| 6. get more and | f. Industrial Revolution |
| 7. solar, nuclear and hydro | g. has been reached |
| 8. The UK will use less | h. from fossil fuels |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. the use of more | a. of engineers |
| 2. a key milestone on the journey | b. to do this |
| 3. reach net-zero carbon | c. industries |
| 4. the first major economy | d. renewables |
| 5. the milestone was because | e. lost in fossil fuel industries |
| 6. the technical problems | f. towards net zero |
| 7. jobs will be | g. of climate change |
| 8. low-carbon | h. emissions by 2050 |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The UK is working (1) _____ planet. For the first time since the Industrial Revolution, more of the UK's (2) _____ zero-carbon fuels than fossil fuels. In 2019, fossil fuels (3) _____ half of the UK's electricity. A (4) _____ quarters came from fossil fuels. A "tipping point" has been reached and the UK will get more and more (5) _____, solar, nuclear and hydro sources. The UK will use (6) _____ and gas.

The UK said the use of more renewables was (7) _____ on the journey (8) _____. It said zero-carbon power should increase to 90 per cent by the 2030s and reach net-zero carbon emissions by 2050. It would be (9) _____ economy to do this. An analyst said (10) _____ because of engineers who solved the (11) _____ climate change. He said jobs will be lost in fossil fuel industries and created (12) _____ industries.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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ZERO-CARBON FUELS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about zero-carbon fuels 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

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Write about **zero-carbon fuels** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
