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Level 0 – 24th January, 2020

China coronavirus heightens global alarm

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2001/200124-coronavirus-0.html>

There could be a new virus outbreak. The coronavirus started in China. It has killed 17 people. It went to the USA, Japan, Korea and Thailand. The WHO will decide if it is a global emergency. China asked people not to panic. Millions will travel across China to be with their families for the Chinese New Year.

The coronavirus came from animals in a market. It changed and spread to a human. It could change and spread more. The virus passes to people through the air. A doctor said it is like SARS, but different. It causes fever, cough and breathing problems. A 36-year-old woman from Beijing is afraid because there's no cure.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. There could be a new | a. emergency |
| 2. The coronavirus started | b. not to panic |
| 3. It has killed | c. decide |
| 4. It went to | d. 17 people |
| 5. The WHO will | e. virus outbreak |
| 6. a global | f. with their families |
| 7. China asked people | g. the USA |
| 8. travel across China to be | h. in China |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. The coronavirus came | a. is like SARS |
| 2. It changed and spread to | b. spread more |
| 3. It could change and | c. cure |
| 4. The virus passes to people | d. a human |
| 5. A doctor said it | e. through the air |
| 6. It causes | f. problems |
| 7. breathing | g. from animals |
| 8. there's no | h. fever |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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There could (1) _____ virus outbreak. The coronavirus (2) _____. It has killed 17 people. It (3) _____ USA, Japan, Korea and Thailand. The WHO (4) _____ it is a global emergency. China asked people (5) _____. Millions will travel across China (6) _____ their families for the Chinese New Year.

The coronavirus (7) _____ in a market. It changed and (8) _____ human. It could change and spread more. The (9) _____ people through the air. A doctor said (10) _____ SARS, but different. It causes (11) _____ breathing problems. A 36-year-old woman from Beijing (12) _____ there's no cure.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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CORONAVIRUS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about coronavirus 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 **coronavirus** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
