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Level 5 – 6th March, 2019

Half of world's beaches could disappear by 2100

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

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2003/200306-beaches-5.html>

Rising sea levels could see the end of half the world's beaches by the end of the century. Scientists predict that half our sandy beaches could vanish over the next eight decades if climate change continues. The scientists are from the European Commission. They warned that the shorelines of highly-populated areas and tourist hot-spots are threatened by erosion from increasing sea levels. Areas at risk of disappearing forever include well-known beaches in Australia's Surfers' Paradise, the islands of Hawaii, Brazil's Copacabana Beach, and the Costa del Sol in Spain.

The scientists predicted that countries like The Gambia and Guinea-Bissau in Africa could lose 60% of their beaches. The worst affected country will be Australia, where 12,000km of coastline could end up under water. The researchers said: "A substantial proportion of the world's sandy coastline is already eroding." They added that we could see, "the near extinction of the world's sandy beaches by the end of the century". A researcher said there were two important ways we could save the beaches. He said we had to, "reduce emissions and manage our coastline in a more sustainable way".

Sources: <https://www.thesun.co.uk/tech/11079158/half-of-worlds-beaches-lost-climate-change/>
<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-8065697/Half-worlds-beaches-disappear-end-century-climate-change.html>
<https://time.com/5793668/sandy-beaches-climate-change/>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Rising sea | a. known beaches |
| 2. by the end | b. vanish |
| 3. half our sandy beaches could | c. areas |
| 4. over the next | d. of the century |
| 5. if climate change | e. forever |
| 6. shorelines of highly-populated | f. eight decades |
| 7. Areas at risk of disappearing | g. continues |
| 8. well- | h. levels |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. The worst affected country will | a. the century |
| 2. 12,000km of coastline could end | b. our coastline |
| 3. the world's sandy coastline is | c. be Australia |
| 4. the near extinction of the world's | d. way |
| 5. by the end of | e. already eroding |
| 6. we could save the | f. up under water |
| 7. reduce emissions and manage | g. beaches |
| 8. in a more sustainable | h. sandy beaches |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Rising (1) _____ see the end of half the world's beaches by the end of the century. Scientists predict that (2) _____ beaches could (3) _____ next eight decades if climate change continues. The scientists are from the European Commission. They warned (4) _____ of highly-populated areas and tourist hot-spots are threatened (5) _____ increasing sea levels. Areas at risk of disappearing forever include well-known beaches in Australia's Surfers' Paradise, (6) _____ Hawaii, Brazil's Copacabana Beach, and the Costa del Sol in Spain.

The scientists (7) _____ like The Gambia and Guinea-Bissau in Africa could lose 60% of their beaches. The (8) _____ will be Australia, where 12,000km of coastline could end (9) _____. The researchers said: "A substantial proportion of the world's sandy coastline (10) _____." They added that we could see, "the near extinction of the world's sandy beaches by the end (11) _____". A researcher said there were two important ways we could save the beaches. He said we had to, "reduce emissions and manage (12) _____ a more sustainable way".

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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BEACHES SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2003/200306-beaches-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about beaches 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) _____

