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Level 4 – 12th August, 2020

Delivery of COVID vaccine needs 8,000 jumbo jets

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

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2009/200912-covid-vaccine-4.html>

If a vaccine for COVID-19 arrives, governments will need many aircraft. Distributing the vaccine will be a huge logistical operation. Experts say transporting 7.8 billion doses of a vaccine - one dose for everyone on Earth - will need 8,000 747 cargo planes. Governments must start planning for the "mission of the century". Even if half the vaccines can be transported by land, the air cargo industry will still face its largest single transport challenge ever.

The experts said many obstacles must be overcome. One key element is to create temperature-controlled cargo hubs to keep the vaccine at the same temperature. Staff must quickly become experts at safely handling the vaccine. Another challenge would be security and cross-border controls. The experts said: "Vaccines will be highly valuable commodities. Arrangements must be in place to ensure that shipments remain secure from tampering and theft."

Sources: <https://www.airlineratings.com/news/transporting-covid-19-vaccine-will-require-8000-747s/>
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PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2009/200912-covid-vaccine-4.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. If a vaccine for COVID-19 | a. challenge |
| 2. governments will need | b. the century |
| 3. a huge logistical | c. arrives |
| 4. one dose | d. industry |
| 5. the mission of | e. many aircraft |
| 6. half the vaccines can be | f. for everyone |
| 7. the air cargo | g. operation |
| 8. face its largest single transport | h. transported by land |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. many obstacles must be | a. commodities |
| 2. temperature-controlled cargo | b. handling the vaccine |
| 3. at the same | c. secure |
| 4. become experts at safely | d. hubs |
| 5. cross- | e. place |
| 6. Vaccines will be highly valuable | f. overcome |
| 7. Arrangements must be in | g. border controls |
| 8. ensure that shipments remain | h. temperature |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2009/200912-covid-vaccine-4.html>

If a vaccine for COVID-19 arrives, governments will (1) _____. Distributing the vaccine will be a huge logistical operation. Experts say transporting 7.8 (2) _____ a vaccine - one dose (3) _____ Earth - will need 8,000 747 cargo planes. Governments must start planning for the "(4) _____ century". Even if half the vaccines can be transported by land, the (5) _____ will still face its largest (6) _____ ever.

The experts said (7) _____ be overcome. One key element is to create temperature-controlled (8) _____ keep the vaccine at the same temperature. Staff must quickly become experts (9) _____ the vaccine. Another challenge would be security and (10) _____. The experts said: "Vaccines will (11) _____ commodities. Arrangements must be in place to ensure that shipments (12) _____ tampering and theft."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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VACCINES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about vaccines 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) _____

