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Level 5 – 15th March, 2021

Denmark to make artificial clean-energy island

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

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THE READING

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Denmark has a practical idea for clean energy. It will build an artificial island 80km off its western coast in the North Sea. This is expected to be in operation by 2033. This ambitious project should end Denmark's reliance on fossil fuels within three decades. Denmark is Europe's largest oil-producing country. The end of oil production will provide a huge boost for Denmark's green credentials. A professor of electric power and energy described the project as, "a cornerstone in the green transition which will help facilitate the reduction of Danish CO2 emissions".

The island will be the size of 18 football fields. It will cost around \$34 billion to build. Much of the energy will come from wind farms. These will produce enough electricity to power three million homes and help make Denmark carbon neutral. The island has great potential to create a greener Europe. The professor said: "In the North Sea, we have tremendous potential for offshore wind....That means we can actually shut down all European coal-fired power plants." He added: "It's a Danish initiative, but this, at least with time, is going to be an international effort."

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. a practical idea | a. by 2033 |
| 2. It will build an | b. the green transition |
| 3. 80km off its western | c. on fossil fuels |
| 4. in operation | d. emissions |
| 5. Denmark's reliance | e. three decades |
| 6. within | f. for clean energy |
| 7. a cornerstone in | g. artificial island |
| 8. CO2 | h. coast |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. It will cost around \$34 | a. Europe |
| 2. wind | b. three million homes |
| 3. enough electricity to power | c. effort |
| 4. help make Denmark carbon | d. billion to build |
| 5. create a greener | e. plants |
| 6. tremendous potential for | f. farms |
| 7. coal-fired power | g. offshore wind |
| 8. an international | h. neutral |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Denmark has (1) _____ for clean energy. It will build an artificial island 80km off (2) _____ in the North Sea. This is expected to be in operation by 2033. This (3) _____ end Denmark's reliance on fossil fuels within three decades. Denmark is Europe's largest oil-producing country. The end (4) _____ will provide a huge boost for Denmark's green credentials. A professor of electric power and energy described the project (5) _____ in the green transition which will help facilitate (6) _____ Danish CO2 emissions".

The island will be (7) _____ 18 football fields. It will cost around \$34 billion to build. Much of the energy will come from wind farms. These (8) _____ electricity to power three million homes and help make Denmark carbon neutral. The island has (9) _____ create a greener Europe. The professor said: "In the North Sea, we have tremendous potential (10) _____....That means we can actually shut down all European (11) _____ plants." He added: "It's a Danish initiative, but this, (12) _____ time, is going to be an international effort."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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CLEAN ENERGY SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2103/210315-clean-energy-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about clean energy 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) _____

