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Scientists say July was hottest month ever

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THE ARTICLE

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The NOAA spokesperson said this new record was worrying. He said: "In this case, first place is the worst place to be." The announcement from NOAA comes a week after a 4,000-page report on climate change from the United Nations. Its report is from the Inter-governmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). It clearly stated that humans had changed the climate. It wrote: "It is [clear] that human influence has warmed the atmosphere, ocean and land." A total of 234 scientists from 66 countries worked on the report. It warns that extreme weather will continue to get worse. It says "every region" will experience "multiple changes" in weather, like sweltering heat and flooding.

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WARM-UPS

1. HOT WEATHER: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about hot weather. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

climate change / floods / fires / heatwaves / hottest / ocean / temperature / average / record / announcement / report / humans / influence / ocean / land / extreme / heat

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. LIFESTYLE: Students A **strongly** believe we all need to greatly change our lifestyles; Students B **strongly** believe we don't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. CLIMATE CHANGE: What can we do to limit the effects of climate change? What do you do? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	What We Can Do	What I Do
Recycling		
Transport		
Food		
Water		
Travel		
Technology		

5. HOT: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "hot". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. WEATHER: Rank these with your partner. Put the worst weather at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Heatwave
- Torrential rain
- Blizzard
- Freezing cold
- Hurricane
- Giant hailstones
- Heavy snow
- Tornadoes

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|----------------|---|
| 1. pretty much | a. Was more successful, bigger or greater than. |
| 2. flood | b. Said something in public about a fact, plan, event, etc. |
| 3. announced | c. Large amounts of water that cover the land and goes into houses. |
| 4. typically | d. How hot or cold something is in °C or °F. |
| 5. outdid | e. Almost |
| 6. surface | f. Usually; in most cases. |
| 7. temperature | g. The top (or top level) of something. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|-------------------|---|
| 8. case | h. The power to change or affect something. |
| 9. climate change | i. Reaching a high or the highest degree; very great. |
| 10. clearly | j. One of the five huge areas of water on Earth that are larger than a sea. |
| 11. influence | k. The changes in weather patterns around the world. |
| 12. ocean | l. Having or involving several parts, elements, or members. |
| 13. extreme | m. Example; situation. |
| 14. multiple | n. Very easy to see and understand. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2108/210816-hottest-month-ever.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

1. The article said we see floods on TV almost every day. **T / F**
2. The agency NOAA is from the USA. **T / F**
3. Earth's land and ocean surface temperature was 0.93 degree higher. **T / F**
4. The Southern Hemisphere was 1.54 degrees hotter than average. **T / F**
5. A NOAA spokesperson wasn't worried about the new record. **T / F**
6. The UN published a 5,000-page report on climate change. **T / F**
7. A total of 66 scientists helped to write a climate change report. **T / F**
8. The UN report said many regions would experience sweltering heat. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- | | |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1. pretty much | a. area |
| 2. announced | b. usually |
| 3. typically | c. boiling |
| 4. outdid | d. normal |
| 5. average | e. made it known |
| 6. worrying | f. severe |
| 7. influence | g. disturbing |
| 8. extreme | h. almost |
| 9. region | i. effect |
| 10. sweltering | j. exceeded |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. pretty | a. world's warmest month |
| 2. pictures of floods, fires | b. continue to get worse |
| 3. July is typically the | c. hotter than average |
| 4. Earth's land and ocean | d. the atmosphere |
| 5. 1.54 degrees Celsius | e. heat |
| 6. first place is the | f. and heatwaves |
| 7. human influence has warmed | g. changes in weather |
| 8. extreme weather will | h. surface temperature |
| 9. experience multiple | i. worst place to be |
| 10. sweltering | j. much every day |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2108/210816-hottest-month-ever.html>

We hear about climate change (1) _____ much every day now. We see pictures of floods, fires and heatwaves on TV news. Scientists have just (2) _____ that July was the hottest month ever recorded. The (3) _____ are from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) in the USA. A spokesperson from NOAA said: "July is (4) _____ the world's warmest month of the year, but July 2021 (5) _____ itself as the hottest July and hottest month ever." NOAA said Earth's land and ocean (6) _____ temperature in July was 0.93 degree Celsius (7) _____ than the 20th-century average of 15.8 degrees Celsius. The Northern Hemisphere was 1.54 degrees Celsius hotter than (8) _____.

typically
higher
pretty
average
outdid
scientists
surface
announced

The NOAA spokesperson said this new record was (9) _____. He said: "In this case, first place is the worst (10) _____ to be." The announcement from NOAA comes a (11) _____ after a 4,000-page report on climate change from the United Nations. Its report is from the Inter-governmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). It (12) _____ stated that humans had changed the climate. It wrote: "It is [clear] that human (13) _____ has warmed the atmosphere, ocean and land." A (14) _____ of 234 scientists from 66 countries worked on the report. It warns that extreme weather will continue to get worse. It says "every (15) _____" will experience "multiple changes" in weather, like (16) _____ heat and flooding.

place
influence
worrying
region
clearly
sweltering
week
total

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2108/210816-hottest-month-ever.html>

- 1) every day now. We see pictures of floods, _____
 - a. fire sand heatwaves
 - b. fires and heat weaves
 - c. fire sand heat weaves
 - d. fires and heatwaves
- 2) July is typically the world's warmest month of the year, but July _____
 - a. 2021 outdid herself
 - b. 2021 outdid himself
 - c. 2021 outdid myself
 - d. 2021 outdid itself
- 3) hottest month ever." NOAA said Earth's land and ocean _____
 - a. surfaces temperature
 - b. surface temperature
 - c. surfaced temperature
 - d. surf ice temperature
- 4) July was 0.93 degree Celsius higher than the 20th-century average _____
 - a. of 15.8 degrees
 - b. of 15.18 degrees
 - c. of 18.8 degrees
 - d. of 18.5 degrees
- 5) The Northern Hemisphere was 1.54 degrees Celsius _____
 - a. hotter than averaged
 - b. hotter than averaging
 - c. hotter than average
 - d. hotter than a verge
- 6) The NOAA spokesperson said this new _____
 - a. recording was worrying
 - b. recorder was worrying
 - c. record was worrying
 - d. records was worrying
- 7) He said in this case, first place is the worst _____
 - a. place to be
 - b. plaice to be
 - c. plays to be
 - d. places to be
- 8) It is clear that human influence has warmed the atmosphere, _____
 - a. oceans and land
 - b. ocean and land
 - c. ocean and lands
 - d. oceans and lands
- 9) It warns that extreme weather will continue _____
 - a. to get worst
 - b. to get worse
 - c. to got worse
 - d. too get worse
- 10) experience "multiple changes" in weather, like sweltering _____
 - a. heat and flood din
 - b. heat and flooded in
 - c. heat and floods in
 - d. heat and flooding

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2108/210816-hottest-month-ever.html>

1. Where do we see pictures of floods pretty much every day?
2. Which month is usually the warmest?
3. Which country is NOAA from?
4. How much hotter than average were temperatures in July?
5. What was 1.54 degrees Celsius hotter than average?
6. Where did a NOAA spokesperson say was the worst place to be?
7. How many pages did a U.N. report contain?
8. What did the IPCC say had changed the climate?
9. How many scientists contributed to the IPCC report?
10. What kind of changes did the report say every region would experience?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2108/210816-hottest-month-ever.html>

- 1) Where do we see pictures of floods pretty much every day?
 - a) on TV
 - b) the Internet
 - c) in magazines
 - d) on the streets
- 2) Which month is usually the warmest?
 - a) September
 - b) June
 - c) July
 - d) August
- 3) Which country is NOAA from?
 - a) Pakistan
 - b) the USA
 - c) Norway
 - d) Switzerland
- 4) How much hotter than average were temperatures in July?
 - a) 0.90 degree Celsius
 - b) 0.91 degree Celsius
 - c) 0.92 degree Celsius
 - d) 0.93 degree Celsius
- 5) What was 1.54 degrees Celsius hotter than average?
 - a) the Northern Hemisphere
 - b) the Equator
 - c) the South Pole
 - d) deserts
- 6) Where did a NOAA spokesperson say was the worst place to be?
 - a) last place
 - b) the Sahara Desert
 - c) out of place
 - d) first place
- 7) How many pages did a U.N. report contain?
 - a) 3,000
 - b) 4,000
 - c) 5,000
 - d) 2,000
- 8) What did the IPCC say had changed the climate?
 - a) plastic
 - b) ozone
 - c) trees
 - d) human influence
- 9) How many scientists contributed to the IPCC report?
 - a) 432
 - b) 324
 - c) 234
 - d) 423
- 10) What kind of changes did the report say every region would experience?
 - a) big changes
 - b) multiple changes
 - c) serious changes
 - d) tiny changes

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Heatwave

You think a heatwave is the worst weather event. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their events aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the least worrying of these (and why): torrential rain, freezing cold or giant hailstones.

Role B – Torrential Rain

You think torrential rain is the worst weather event. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their events aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the least worrying of these (and why): heatwave, freezing cold or giant hailstones.

Role C – Freezing Cold

You think freezing cold is the worst weather event. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their events aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the least worrying of these (and why): torrential rain, heatwave or giant hailstones.

Role D – Giant Hailstones

You think giant hailstones is the worst weather event. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their events aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the least worrying of these (and why): torrential rain, freezing cold or heatwave.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2108/210816-hottest-month-ever.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'hot' and 'month'.

hot	month
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• pretty• fires• typically• itself• surface• 1.54	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• worrying• worst• clearly• total• worse• multiple
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HOT WEATHER SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about hot weather 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.

HOT WEATHER DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'hot'?
3. What do you think of hot weather?
4. Do you prefer hot or cold weather?
5. What are the best things to do when it's hot?
6. How is the weather changing in your country?
7. How worried are you that July was the hottest weather?
8. What do you think is causing climate change?
9. How has climate change affected your life?
10. What do you do in a heatwave?

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HOT WEATHER DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'climate'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. Why do many people say climate change is not happening?
15. What can you do to reduce the effects of climate change?
16. What does your country need to do about climate change?
17. How has human influence warmed the atmosphere?
18. How worried are you about extreme weather?
19. What extreme weather events have you seen on the news?
20. What questions would you like to ask the meteorologists?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|---------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) cute | (b) handsome | (c) pretty | (d) beautiful |
| 2. | (a) ever | (b) even | (c) every | (d) event |
| 3. | (a) typically | (b) about | (c) warmly | (d) hotly |
| 4. | (a) itself | (b) one | (c) them | (d) him |
| 5. | (a) spaces | (b) service | (c) special | (d) surface |
| 6. | (a) avarice | (b) averaging | (c) average | (d) average |
| 7. | (a) worrying | (b) hoping | (c) cooling | (d) freezing |
| 8. | (a) warm | (b) cool | (c) do | (d) be |
| 9. | (a) on | (b) at | (c) by | (d) as |
| 10. | (a) at | (b) of | (c) as | (d) on |
| 11. | (a) as | (b) on | (c) to | (d) of |
| 12. | (a) heat | (b) tepid | (c) warm | (d) hot |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. We see pictures of sldoof
2. fires and aetawshve
3. the hottest month ever dedorecr
4. July is tpilyycal the world's warmest month
5. land and ocean surface eueptrrteam
6. the 20th-erntuyc average

Paragraph 2

7. The ennnuemnctao from NOAA
8. human elnueifcn
9. warmed the repoamtseh
10. xmereet weather
11. every rnigoe will experience multiple changes
12. weegrnstli heat

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2108/210816-hottest-month-ever.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- (**1**) We hear about climate change pretty much every day now. We see pictures of floods, fires and
- () stated that humans had changed the climate. It wrote: "It is [clear] that human influence has
- () recorded. The scientists are from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) in the USA. A spokesperson
- () Celsius. The Northern Hemisphere was 1.54 degrees Celsius hotter than average.
- () from NOAA said: "July is typically the world's warmest month of the year, but July 2021 outdid itself
- () warmed the atmosphere, ocean and land." A total of 234 scientists from 66 countries worked
- () heatwaves on TV news. Scientists have just announced that July was the hottest month ever
- () in July was 0.93 degree Celsius higher than the 20th-century average of 15.8 degrees
- () climate change from the United Nations. Its report is from the Inter-governmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). It clearly
- () experience "multiple changes" in weather, like sweltering heat and flooding.
- () as the hottest July and hottest month ever." NOAA said Earth's land and ocean surface temperature
- () place to be." The announcement from NOAA comes a week after a 4,000-page report on
- () on the report. It warns that extreme weather will continue to get worse. It says "every region" will
- () The NOAA spokesperson said this new record was worrying. He said: "In this case, first place is the worst

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2108/210816-hottest-month-ever.html>

1. every day . about hear change We nearly climate
2. month . hottest that announced Scientists the was July
3. typically warmest the July is world's month .
4. July outdid itself as hottest 2021 July . the
5. 1.54 Hemisphere Northern was Celsius The degrees hotter .
6. be . the to worst is place First place
7. humans clear It's the atmosphere have warmed that
8. countries . scientists A 234 total from 66 of
9. that weather extreme It continue . will warns
10. says region multiple every will experience It changes .

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2108/210816-hottest-month-ever.html>

We hear about climate change *prettily / pretty* much every day now. We see pictures of floods, fires and heatwaves on TV *news / newsworthy*. Scientists have *adjust / just* announced that July was the hottest month ever *recording / recorded*. The scientists are from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) in the USA. A spokesperson from NOAA said: "July is *typical / typically* the world's warmest month *off / of* the year, but July 2021 *outdid / did* itself as the hottest July and hottest month ever." NOAA said Earth's land and ocean *surface / bottom* temperature in July was 0.93 degree Celsius higher than the 20th-century average *to / of* 15.8 degrees Celsius. The Northern Hemisphere was 1.54 degrees Celsius hotter than *average / averaging*.

The NOAA spokesperson said this *newly / new* record was worrying. He said: "In this case, first place is the *worsen / worst* place to be." The announcement from NOAA *comes / goes* a week after a 4,000-page report *in / on* climate change from the United Nations. Its report is from the Intergovernmental Panel *in / on* Climate Change (IPCC). It clearly stated that *humans / human* had changed the climate. It *write / wrote*: "It is [clear] that human influence has *warmed / warned* the atmosphere, ocean and land." A total of 234 scientists from 66 countries worked on the report. It warns that *extremely / extreme* weather will continue to get worse. It says "every region" will experience "multiple changes" in weather, like sweltering heat and *flood / flooding*.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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W_ h__r _b__t cl_m_t_ ch_ng_ pr_tty m_ch _v_ry d_y
n_w. W_ s__ p_ct_r_s _f fl__ds, f_r_s _nd h__tw_v_s
_n TV n_ws. Sc__nt_sts h_v_ j_st _nn__nc_d th_t J_ly
w_s th_ h_tt_st m_nth _v_r r_c_r_d_d. Th_ sc__nt_sts
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N___ s__d __rth's l_nd _nd _c__n s_rf_c_ t_m_p_r_t_r_
_n J_ly w_s 0.93 d_gr__ C_ls__s h_gh_r th_n th_
20th-c_nt_ry _v_r_g_ _f 15.8 d_gr__s C_ls__s. Th_
N_rth_rn H_m_sph_r_ w_s 1.54 d_gr__s C_ls__s h_tt_r
th_n _v_r_g_.

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w_rst pl_c_ t_ b_." Th_ _nn__nc_m_nt fr_m N___
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2108/210816-hottest-month-ever.html>

we hear about climate change pretty much every day now we see pictures of floods fires and heatwaves on tv news scientists have just announced that july was the hottest month ever recorded the scientists are from the national oceanic and atmospheric administration noaa in the usa a spokesperson from noaa said july is typically the worlds warmest month of the year but july 2021 outdid itself as the hottest july and hottest month ever noaa said earths land and ocean surface temperature in july was 093 degree celsius higher than the 20thcentury average of 158 degrees celsius the northern hemisphere was 154 degrees celsius hotter than average

the noaa spokesperson said this new record was worrying he said in this case first place is the worst place to be the announcement from noaa comes a week after a 4000page report on climate change from the united nations its report is from the intergovernmental panel on climate change ipcc it clearly stated that humans had changed the climate it wrote it is clear that human influence has warmed the atmosphere ocean and land a total of 234 scientists from 66 countries worked on the report it warns that extreme weather will continue to get worse it says every region will experience multiple changes in weather like sweltering heat and flooding

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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We hear about climate change pretty much every day now. We see pictures of floods, fires and heat waves on TV news. Scientists have just announced that July was the hottest month ever recorded. The scientists are from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) in the USA. A spokesperson from NOAA said: "July is typically the world's warmest month of the year, but July 2021 outdid itself as the hottest July and hottest month ever." NOAA said Earth's land and ocean surface temperature in July was 0.93 degree Celsius higher than the 20th-century average of 15.8 degrees Celsius. The Northern Hemisphere was 1.54 degrees Celsius hotter than average. The NOAA spokesperson said this new record was worrying. He said: "In this case, first place is the worst place to be." The announcement from NOAA comes a week after a 4,000-page report on climate change from the United Nations. Its report is from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). It clearly stated that humans had changed the climate. It wrote: "It is [clear] that human influence has warmed the atmosphere, ocean and land." A total of 234 scientists from 66 countries worked on the report. It warns that extreme weather will continue to get worse. It says "every region" will experience "multiple changes" in weather, like sweltering heat and flooding.

HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. HOT WEATHER: Make a poster about hot weather. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. LIFESTYLE CHANGES: Write a magazine article about all of us changing everything about our lifestyles to slow down climate change. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on hot weather. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to cope with very hot weather. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. e 2. c 3. b 4. f 5. a 6. g 7. d
8. m 9. k 10. n 11. h 12. j 13. i 14. l

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- 1 T 2 T 3 T 4 F 5 F 6 F 7 F 8 T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. h	2. e	3. b	4. j	5. d
6. g	7. i	8. f	9. a	10. c

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. On TV
2. July
3. The USA
4. 0.93 degree Celsius
5. The Northern Hemisphere
6. First place
7. 4,000 pages
8. Human influence
9. 234
10. Multiple changes

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.19)

1. We hear about climate change nearly every day.
2. Scientists announced that July was the hottest month.
3. July is typically the world's warmest month.
4. July 2021 outdid itself as the hottest July.
5. The Northern Hemisphere was 1.54 degrees Celsius hotter.
6. First place is the worst place to be.
7. It's clear that humans have warmed the atmosphere.
8. A total of 234 scientists from 66 countries.
9. It warns that extreme weather will continue.
10. It says every region will experience multiple changes.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. a 2. c 3. b 4. d 5. a 6. d 7. b 8. d 9. c 10. b

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)