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## **Level 1** – 20th August, 2021

### **Malala Yousafzai wants open borders for Afghan refugees**

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<https://breakingnewsenglish.com2108/210820-afghan-refugees-1.html>

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Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2108/210820-afghan-refugees-1.html>

Human rights activist Malala Yousafzai wants countries to open their borders to Afghan refugees. She is worried about their safety after the Taliban took over Afghanistan. Malala is from Pakistan. The Taliban shot her in the head in 2012 because she supported girls' education. She was 15 years old and was on her way to school. She is worried that girls in Afghanistan will not get an education and that women will not have the freedom they had for twenty years.

Ms Yousafzai is the youngest ever Nobel Peace Prize winner. She continues to campaign for girls' education. She called recent events in Afghanistan "shocking". She said there is an "urgent humanitarian crisis". She said many countries were talking about equality, so it is difficult to see Afghanistan "going decades and centuries back". She called for the protection of women, girls and minority groups. She also called for peace in the region.

Sources: <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/malala-yousafzai-afghanistan-refugees-taliban-open-borders/>  
<https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-58237871>  
<https://www.insideedition.com/malala-yousafzai-advocates-for-countries-to-open-their-borders-for-afghan-refugees-69182>

# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2108/210820-afghan-refugees-1.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                         |                       |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. human rights         | a. education          |
| 2. open their           | b. about their safety |
| 3. She is worried       | c. her                |
| 4. the Taliban took     | d. for twenty years   |
| 5. The Taliban shot     | e. activist           |
| 6. on her way           | f. over Afghanistan   |
| 7. get an               | g. to school          |
| 8. the freedom they had | h. borders            |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                      |                          |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. She continues to campaign         | a. groups                |
| 2. recent                            | b. equality              |
| 3. there is an urgent humanitarian   | c. in the region         |
| 4. many countries were talking about | d. for girls             |
| 5. going decades and                 | e. of women              |
| 6. She called for the protection     | f. events in Afghanistan |
| 7. minority                          | g. centuries back        |
| 8. She also called for peace         | h. crisis                |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Human rights activist Malala Yousafzai (1) \_\_\_\_\_  
open their borders to Afghan refugees. (2) \_\_\_\_\_  
about their (3) \_\_\_\_\_ Taliban took over  
Afghanistan. Malala is from Pakistan. The Taliban shot her in the  
head in 2012 (4) \_\_\_\_\_ girls' education. She was  
15 years old and was on (5) \_\_\_\_\_ school. She is  
worried that girls in Afghanistan will not get an education and  
that women will not have (6) \_\_\_\_\_ had for  
twenty years.

Ms Yousafzai is (7) \_\_\_\_\_ Nobel Peace Prize  
winner. She continues (8) \_\_\_\_\_ girls' education.  
She called recent events in Afghanistan "shocking". She said  
there (9) \_\_\_\_\_ humanitarian crisis". She said  
many countries were (10) \_\_\_\_\_, so it is difficult  
to see Afghanistan "(11) \_\_\_\_\_ centuries back".  
She called for the protection of women, girls and minority groups.  
She also called (12) \_\_\_\_\_ the region.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# AFGHANISTAN SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2108/210820-afghan-refugees-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about Afghanistan 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

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2108/210820-afghan-refugees-1.html>

Write about **Afghanistan** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.

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