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**Level 2 – 4th July 2024**

## **Turbulence forces plane into emergency landing**

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**Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.**

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240704-severe-turbulence-2.html>

Severe turbulence made an airplane make an emergency landing on Monday. Nearly 40 people were injured on the Air Europa plane from Spain to Uruguay. Turbulence hit the plane over the Atlantic. Air traffic controllers told the pilot to make an emergency landing in north-eastern Brazil. Many of the injured went to hospital in Brazil. Others went to Uruguay's capital city Montevideo by bus. A new Air Europa plane flew passengers who did not take the bus to their final destination. The turbulence is the latest in a number of mid-air occurrences that have injured people.

Turbulence is the violent movement of air. Modern aircraft can survive dangerous winds and pockets of air. It is very rare for turbulence to cause a plane to crash. The biggest danger to passengers comes from not wearing a seat belt. Anyone not wearing a seat belt can be thrown around the cabin. They can suffer injuries by hitting their head on overhead lockers. Scientists from a UK university reported that climate change is making severe turbulence worse. They said incidents increased by 55 per cent between 1979 and 2020.

Sources: <https://abcnews.go.com/International/air-europa-flight-turbulence/story?id=111595157>  
<https://nypost.com/2024/07/01/world-news/at-least-30-injured-after-air-europa-flight-hits-turbulence/>  
<https://news.sky.com/story/dozens-injured-after-air-europa-flight-hit-by-severe-turbulence-13162073>

# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240704-severe-turbulence-2.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                                |                         |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. made an airplane make       | a. north-eastern Brazil |
| 2. Nearly 40 people            | b. the plane            |
| 3. Turbulence hit              | c. destination          |
| 4. Air traffic                 | d. city Montevideo      |
| 5. landing in                  | e. an emergency landing |
| 6. Uruguay's capital           | f. controllers          |
| 7. take the bus to their final | g. mid-air occurrences  |
| 8. the latest in a number of   | h. were injured         |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                    |                     |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Turbulence is the violent       | a. turbulence worse |
| 2. rare for turbulence to cause    | b. movement of air  |
| 3. The biggest danger              | c. by 55 per cent   |
| 4. Anyone not wearing              | d. a plane to crash |
| 5. They can suffer                 | e. overhead lockers |
| 6. hitting their head on           | f. to passengers    |
| 7. climate change is making severe | g. injuries         |
| 8. incidents increased             | h. a seat belt      |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Turbulence is (7) \_\_\_\_\_ of air. Modern aircraft can survive dangerous winds and (8) \_\_\_\_\_. It is very rare for turbulence to cause a (9) \_\_\_\_\_. The biggest danger to passengers comes from not wearing (10) \_\_\_\_\_. Anyone not wearing a seat belt can be thrown around the cabin. They (11) \_\_\_\_\_ by hitting their head on overhead lockers. Scientists from a UK university reported (12) \_\_\_\_\_ is making severe turbulence worse. They said incidents increased by 55 per cent between 1979 and 2020.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# TURBULENCE SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240704-severe-turbulence-2.html>

Write five GOOD questions about turbulence 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) \_\_\_\_\_

