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Level 4 – 8th July 2024

UK elects 22-year-old as a Member of Parliament

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

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THE READING

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A 22-year-old has been elected as a politician in the UK. Sam Carling won his seat in Thursday's general election. Mr Carling, from the Labour Party, narrowly beat his Conservative Party rival by 39 votes. He will now represent the interests of the people in his Cambridge seat. Carling graduated from Cambridge University. He called his victory a "political earthquake". He hopes more young people will enter politics.

Mr Carling became interested in politics because of Britain's economic decline. He grew up in "a deprived area" in the north of England. The Conservative Party promised to turn it into an economic "powerhouse". However, it did not keep its promise. Carling is worried about areas that used to be "thriving," but are now wastelands. He hopes he can help undo 14 years of Conservative misrule. Britain's public services are in chaos.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. A 22-year-old has been elected | a. Conservative Party rival |
| 2. Sam Carling won his | b. earthquake |
| 3. in Thursday's general | c. seat |
| 4. narrowly beat his | d. Cambridge University |
| 5. represent the interests | e. enter politics |
| 6. Carling graduated from | f. as a politician |
| 7. a political | g. of the people |
| 8. more young people will | h. election |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Mr Carling became interested | a. of Conservative misrule |
| 2. because of Britain's | b. its promise |
| 3. a deprived | c. in politics |
| 4. turn it into an economic | d. chaos |
| 5. it did not keep | e. area |
| 6. areas that used to | f. economic decline |
| 7. undo 14 years | g. be thriving |
| 8. public services are in | h. powerhouse |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A 22-year-old has been (1) _____ politician in the UK.

Sam Carling (2) _____ in Thursday's general election.

Mr Carling, from the Labour Party, (3) _____

Conservative Party rival by 39 votes. He will now

(4) _____ of the people in his Cambridge seat. Carling

graduated from Cambridge University. He (5) _____ a

"political earthquake". He hopes more young people

(6) _____.

Mr Carling became interested (7) _____ of Britain's

economic decline. He grew up in (8) _____ in the north

of England. The Conservative Party promised to turn it into

(9) _____. However, it did not

(10) _____. Carling is worried about areas that used to

be "thriving," but (11) _____. He hopes he can help

undo 14 years of Conservative misrule. Britain's public services

(12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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POLITICIANS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about politicians 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/2407/240708-member-of-parliament-4.html>

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