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Level 0 – 11th July 2024

Past 12 months break extreme heat records

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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The world is at its hottest since records began. Every month in the past year was over 1.5 degrees Celsius warmer than it was 20 years ago. This is when we started to burn lots of fossil fuel. A climate scientist warned that more records will be broken, "unless we stop putting greenhouse gases into the atmosphere".

Extreme heat hit many countries this year. Extreme temperatures are everywhere. In Death Valley, it was 53.9°C earlier this week. More than 1,000 people died in Saudi Arabia because of the heat. Scientists say we will see more climate disasters. A climate scientist said Earth was in crisis.

Sources: <https://www.theguardian.com/environment/article/2024/jul/08/temperatures-1-point-5c-above-pre-industrial-era-average-for-12-months-data-shows>
<https://www.livescience.com/planet-earth/climate-change/the-last-12-months-have-broken-records-like-never-before-earth-exceeds-15-c-warming-every-month-for-entire-year>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. The world is at its | a. be broken |
| 2. since records | b. the past year |
| 3. Every month in | c. fossil fuel |
| 4. over 1.5 degrees | d. stop |
| 5. we started to burn lots of | e. hottest |
| 6. more records will | f. gases |
| 7. unless we | g. began |
| 8. greenhouse | h. Celsius warmer |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Extreme heat | a. because of the heat |
| 2. Extreme temperatures are | b. scientist |
| 3. it was | c. hit many countries |
| 4. earlier | d. in crisis |
| 5. people died in Saudi Arabia | e. 53.9°C |
| 6. we will see more climate | f. this week |
| 7. A climate | g. disasters |
| 8. Earth was | h. everywhere |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The world (1) _____ hottest since records began.

Every month (2) _____ year was over 1.5 degrees Celsius warmer (3) _____ 20 years ago.

This is when we started (4) _____ of fossil fuel. A climate scientist warned that (5) _____ be broken, "(6) _____ putting greenhouse gases into the atmosphere".

Extreme (7) _____ countries this year. Extreme (8) _____ . In Death Valley, it was 53.9°C

(9) _____ . More than 1,000 people died in Saudi

Arabia (10) _____ heat. Scientists say we

(11) _____ climate disasters. A climate scientist

said Earth (12) _____ .

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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GLOBAL TEMPERATURES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about global temperatures 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) _____

