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### Level 4 – 22nd July 2024

### UK doctors to treat people suffering from eco-anxiety

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

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### THE READING

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240722-eco-anxiety-4.html

Many young people have eco-anxiety worldwide. UK doctors have been advised to talk about climate change with patients. Under new guidelines, a doctor's visit might consist of a medical diagnosis and advice on how to reduce our carbon footprint, as well as help on how to live with eco-anxiety. Critics of the guidelines called them "seriously unethical". They said doctors should spend time "treating patients rather than lecturing them on 'politicised issues'".

The UN said eco-anxiety was "an emergency crisis hidden in plain sight". The UN said the constant worry about the climate crisis will severely affect the mental health of children. Downtoearth.com wrote: "Extreme weather events like wildfires, heatwaves...and floods lead to displacement and food shortages, causing psychological harm." A UN survey found that 59 per cent of young people in a study were distressed about the climate.

Sources: https://www.**dailymail.co.uk**/news/article-13637313/Now-doctors-told-lecture-climate-change-Health-leaders-tell-medics-look-eco-distress-promote-remote-appointments-cut-emissions.html https://**phys.org**/news/2024-07-trillions-lost-worker-productivity-due.html https://www.**downtoearth.org.in**/climate-change/eus-carbon-border-tax-mechanism-unfair-todeveloping-countries-cse

# **PHRASE MATCHING**

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#### **PARAGRAPH ONE:**

- 1. talk about climate change
- 2. consist of a medical
- 3. advice on how to reduce
- 4. help on how to live
- 5. Critics
- 6. seriously
- 7. treating
- 8. lecturing them on politicised

#### **PARAGRAPH TWO:**

- an emergency crisis hidden
  the constant
  Extreme weather events
  floods lead
  food
  causing psychological
  young people
- 8. distressed

- a. unethical
- b. with patients
- c. issues
- d. of the guidelines
- e. our carbon footprint
- f. patients
- g. diagnosis
- h. with eco-anxiety

- a. shortages
- b. in a study
- c. worry
- d. in plain sight
- e. about the climate
- f. like wildfires
- g. harm
- h. to displacement

### LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Many (1) eco-anxiety worldwide. UK doctors have been (2) \_\_\_\_\_ about climate change with patients. Under new guidelines, a doctor's visit might consist of (3) \_\_\_\_\_ and advice on how to reduce our carbon footprint, as well as help on how (4) \_\_\_\_\_\_ eco-anxiety. Critics of the guidelines called (5) . They said doctors should spend time "treating patients rather than (6) 'politicised issues'". The UN said eco-anxiety was "an emergency (7) plain sight". The UN said the (8) \_\_\_\_\_ the climate crisis will severely affect the mental health of children. Downtoearth.com wrote: "Extreme (9) wildfires, heatwaves...and floods lead to displacement (10) \_\_\_\_\_, causing psychological harm." A UN (11) \_\_\_\_\_ 59 per cent of young people in a study were distressed (12) \_\_\_\_\_\_.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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## **ECO-ANXIETY SURVEY**

From <u>https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240722-eco-anxiety-4.html</u>

Write five GOOD questions about eco-anxiety 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).


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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)		
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## WRITING

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240722-eco-anxiety-4.html

Write about **eco-anxiety** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.