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**Level 4 – 29th July 2024**

## **Violence against women and girls at 'epidemic' levels**

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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/2407/240729-violence-against-women-4.html>

UK police have highlighted a surge in violence against women and girls. Criminal acts against females are at record levels. A million crimes were reported in a year - just the tip of the iceberg. A huge number of crimes go unreported. The police wrote about the gravity of this. They said gender-based violence was "endemic...and a threat to society on the same scale as terrorism". They added: "We must act to change the unacceptable reality for women."

A police official called the crime statistics "staggering". She said: "Violence against women and girls is a national emergency. We need to move forward...and no longer accept violence against women and girls as inevitable." One in every 12 women will be a victim of violence. More than two million people will commit violence against women. The report said gender-based violent crimes included harassment, murder, rape, and stalking.

Sources: <https://news.met.police.uk/news/tackling-violence-against-women-and-girls-will-require-the-whole-system-to-step-up-486419>  
<https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2024/7/23/violence-against-women-girls-at-epidemic-levels-uk-police>  
<https://news.sky.com/story/violence-against-women-and-girls-related-crime-reaches-staggering-levels-13183550>

# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240729-violence-against-women-4.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                                    |                         |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. police have highlighted a surge | a. violence was endemic |
| 2. just the tip                    | b. as terrorism         |
| 3. police wrote about the gravity  | c. in violence          |
| 4. They said gender-based          | d. for women            |
| 5. a threat to                     | e. of this              |
| 6. on the same scale               | f. change               |
| 7. We must act to                  | g. of the iceberg       |
| 8. the unacceptable reality        | h. society              |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                       |                          |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. A police official called the crime | a. commit violence       |
| 2. a national                         | b. against women         |
| 3. We need to move                    | c. 12 women              |
| 4. no longer accept violence          | d. statistics staggering |
| 5. One in every                       | e. crimes                |
| 6. two million people will            | f. emergency             |
| 7. gender-based violent               | g. and stalking          |
| 8. included harassment, murder, rape, | h. forward               |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240729-violence-against-women-4.html>

UK police have highlighted a (1) \_\_\_\_\_ against women and girls. Criminal acts against females are (2) \_\_\_\_\_.

A million crimes were reported in a year - just the tip (3) \_\_\_\_\_. A huge number of crimes go unreported.

The police wrote about (4) \_\_\_\_\_ this. They said gender-based violence (5) \_\_\_\_\_ a threat to society on the same scale as terrorism". They added: "We must act to change the (6) \_\_\_\_\_ women."

A police official called the (7) \_\_\_\_\_. She said: "Violence against women and girls is (8) \_\_\_\_\_.

We need to move forward...and (9) \_\_\_\_\_ violence against

women and girls as inevitable." One in every 12 women will be a

(10) \_\_\_\_\_. More than two million

(11) \_\_\_\_\_ violence against women. The report said

gender-(12) \_\_\_\_\_ included harassment, murder, rape,

and stalking.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# VIOLENCE SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240729-violence-against-women-4.html>

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

