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Level 1 – 27th February 2025

Fog harvesting could provide water for dry cities

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Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2502/250227-fog-harvesting-1.html>

Many towns have little rain. It is a challenge for people to get water. Scientists in Chile say harvesting water from fog could provide water for millions of people. The researchers studied how fog harvesting can collect water. Water from fog is collected on large mesh screens. Drops of fog water stick to the mesh. The water then drips into storage tanks below. This is a cheap and easy way of collecting water in dry areas.

The researchers tested fog harvesting in a desert town which gets 5 mm of rain a year. People there get their drinking water delivered by truck. A researcher said fog harvesting could change this. People will think more about the uses of fog water. She said it could be a "practical water resource". She said "water from the clouds" could protect cities during climate change. She added that fog harvesting could give cities access to clean water.

Sources: <https://www.eurekaalert.org/news-releases/1072950>
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PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2502/250227-fog-harvesting-1.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---|-----------------------|
| 1. Many towns | a. easy way |
| 2. a challenge for people | b. tanks |
| 3. provide water for | c. dry areas |
| 4. Water from fog is collected on large | d. millions of people |
| 5. Drops of fog water stick | e. have little rain |
| 6. water then drips into storage | f. mesh screens |
| 7. a cheap and | g. to get water |
| 8. collecting water in | h. to the mesh |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. The researchers tested | a. clouds |
| 2. a desert town which gets | b. by truck |
| 3. get their drinking water delivered | c. this |
| 4. fog harvesting could change | d. to clean water |
| 5. think more about the uses | e. fog harvesting |
| 6. water from the | f. change |
| 7. climate | g. of fog water |
| 8. give cities access | h. 5 mm of rain |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Many (1) _____ rain. It is a challenge for people to get water. Scientists in Chile say harvesting water from fog could provide (2) _____ of people. The researchers studied how fog harvesting (3) _____. Water from fog is collected (4) _____ screens. Drops of fog water stick to the mesh. The water then (5) _____ tanks below. This is a cheap and easy way of collecting water (6) _____.

The researchers tested fog harvesting in (7) _____ which gets 5 mm of rain a year. People there get their drinking water (8) _____. A researcher said fog harvesting could change this. People will (9) _____ the uses of fog water. She said it could be a "(10) _____". She said "water from the clouds" could protect cities (11) _____. She added that fog harvesting could give cities (12) _____ water.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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FOG AND WATER SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2502/250227-fog-harvesting-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about fog and water 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) _____

