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Tourist arrested for visiting forbidden Indian island

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Please try Levels 4 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2504/250407-remote-island-5.html>

Indian police have arrested a tourist for travelling to a remote island to visit the world's most isolated tribe. The island, North Sentinel, is part of the Andaman and Nicobar archipelago, around 1,200 km east of India. It is 60 square kilometres in size. North Sentinel is a protected area. It is home to the Sentinelese people, an indigenous tribe who have fiercely defended their isolation from the outside world. The tourist did not make contact with the islanders. However, he did leave them a can of Diet Coke and a coconut. He could face up to five years in prison.

India's government banned outsiders from visiting North Sentinel to protect the Sentinelese way of life. The ban is to shield the people from modern, potentially deadly illnesses. A non-profit group that protects isolated tribes said:

"Uncontacted peoples have no immunity to common outside diseases like flu or measles, which could completely wipe them out." In the past few decades, the islanders have killed several people who attempted to visit the island. The recently arrested tourist, who called himself a thrill seeker, was luckier.

Sources: <https://edition.cnn.com/2025/04/04/travel/north-sentinel-island-us-tourist-arrested-intl-hnk/index.html>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Indian police have | a. archipelago |
| 2. visit the world's most | b. contact with the islanders |
| 3. part of the Andaman and Nicobar | c. tribe |
| 4. North Sentinel is | d. arrested a tourist |
| 5. an indigenous | e. to five years in prison |
| 6. defended their isolation | f. isolated tribe |
| 7. The tourist did not make | g. a protected area |
| 8. He could face up | h. from the outside world |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. India's government banned | a. them out |
| 2. protect the Sentinelese | b. the people |
| 3. The ban is to shield | c. isolated tribes |
| 4. potentially deadly | d. outside diseases |
| 5. A non-profit group that protects | e. seeker |
| 6. immunity to common | f. outsiders |
| 7. completely wipe | g. illnesses |
| 8. a thrill | h. way of life |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Indian police have arrested a tourist for travelling to (1) _____ to visit the world's most isolated tribe. The island, North Sentinel, is part of the Andaman and Nicobar archipelago, around 1,200 km east of India. It is 60 square kilometres in size. North Sentinel is (2) _____. It is home to the Sentinelese people, (3) _____ who have fiercely (4) _____ from the outside world. The tourist did not (5) _____ the islanders. However, he did leave them a can of Diet Coke and a coconut. He could (6) _____ five years in prison.

India's government (7) _____ visiting North Sentinel to protect the Sentinelese way of life. The ban (8) _____ the people from modern, potentially deadly illnesses. A non-profit group that (9) _____ said: "Uncontacted peoples have no immunity to common outside diseases like (10) _____, which could completely wipe them out." In the past few decades, the islanders (11) _____ people who attempted to visit the island. The recently arrested tourist, who called himself (12) _____, was luckier.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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REMOTE ISLANDS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2504/250407-remote-island-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about remote islands 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) _____

