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**Level 0 – 22nd January 2026**

## Millions of French fries wash up on UK beach

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

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com2601/260122-bags-of-chips-0.html>

Beach-goers saw a strange sight this week. A beach was covered in French fries. They fell off of ships because of bad weather. Bags of chips reached a beach in England. A local man said: "From a distance, it looked like the golden sand of a Caribbean beach." He said the chips were 75 cm deep in some places.

Volunteers are now cleaning the beach. The chips are a danger to the environment. Seals live near the beach. If the seals see the chips, they might try to eat them. A local official warned people to be careful. She said any food on the beach might be harmful. She asked people to report any food they see on the beach.

Sources: <https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c0lxkl3gd6jo>  
<https://www.msn.com/en-gb/travel/news/nothing-compares-to-this-locals-left-stunned-after-thousands-of-chips-wash-up-on-sussex-beach/ar-AA1UtVyx>  
<https://www.theargus.co.uk/news/25775185.thousands-bags-chips-wash-beachy-head/>

# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2012/01/26/bags-of-chips-0.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

1. Beach-goers saw a strange	a. of chips
2. A beach was covered	b. of ships
3. They fell off	c. distance
4. bad	d. some places
5. Bags	e. weather
6. a local	f. sight
7. From a	g. man
8. 75 cm deep in	h. in French fries

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

1. Volunteers are now	a. eat them
2. a danger to the	b. near the beach
3. Seals live	c. be harmful
4. If the seals see	d. environment
5. they might try to	e. food they see
6. a local	f. the chips
7. food on the beach might	g. official
8. She asked people to report any	h. cleaning the beach

## **LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS**

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com2601/260122-bags-of-chips-0.html>

Beach-goers (1) \_\_\_\_\_ sight this week. A beach (2) \_\_\_\_\_ French fries. They fell off of ships because (3) \_\_\_\_\_. Bags of chips (4) \_\_\_\_\_ in England. A local man said: "From a distance, it looked like the (5) \_\_\_\_\_ a Caribbean beach." He said the chips were 75 cm (6) \_\_\_\_\_ places.

Volunteers are (7) \_\_\_\_\_ beach. The chips are a (8) \_\_\_\_\_ environment. Seals live near the beach. If the (9) \_\_\_\_\_ chips, they might try to eat them. (10) \_\_\_\_\_ warned people to be careful. She (11) \_\_\_\_\_ on the beach might be harmful. She asked (12) \_\_\_\_\_ any food they see on the beach.

## PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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to the environment. Seals live near the beach. If the seals see the chips, they might try to eat them. A local official warned people to be careful. She said any food on the beach might be harmful. She asked people to report any food they see on the beach.

# CHIPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com2601/260122-bags-of-chips-0.html>

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

# WRITING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2601/260122-bags-of-chips-0.html>

Write about **chips** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.