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European Union warns of energy price crisis

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2610/261001-energy-price-crisis.html>

The European Union (EU) is worried about rising energy prices. An EU body called the European Commission wants countries to reduce their use of gas and electricity to help control prices. The EU's Energy Commissioner, Dan Jorgensen, said: "We are facing a price crisis linked to a supply crisis." He said using less energy could help to keep fuel prices down. He added that people needed to use less because supplies are limited. He pointed to the fact that gas storage in Europe is only 68 per cent full. Mr Jorgensen said any action to control energy prices should be "well targeted" and "temporary". He asked countries to lower their energy demand until the situation improves.

In particular, Europe is worried about diesel supplies and prices. Diesel is essential for farming, construction, shipping, logistics, and other industries. Higher diesel prices increase the cost of the food we buy. The EU imports a lot of its diesel. Around 50 per cent of its diesel imports are from the USA. The European Commission is worried it might not be able to import enough of the fuel from the USA. In the past week, President Donald Trump has talked about banning exports from the USA. He said: "Let's not send out the diesel." He added that he was thinking about a ban "very seriously". EU leaders want more European-produced clean energy so that they can rely less on imported oil and gas.

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<https://www.euronews.com/2026/09/25/how-european-governments-are-trying-to-ease-the-fuel-price-shock>

WARM-UPS

1. ENERGY PRICES: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about energy prices. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

European Union / energy prices / gas / electricity / crisis / supplies / facts / demand / diesel / farming / construction / shipping / food costs / import / ban / clean energy

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. CLEAN ENERGY: Students A **strongly** believe we should stop using oil and gas and use clean energy immediately; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. ENERGY: What are the good and bad things about these forms of energy? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Good Things	Bad Things
Oil		
Coal		
Nuclear		
Solar		
Wind		
Hydroelectric		

5. EUROPE: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "Europe". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. CRISES: Rank these with your partner. Put the most worrying crises in the world at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Energy prices
- Climate change
- Iran War
- AI takeover
- Refugee crisis
- Food crisis
- Ukraine War
- Biodiversity crisis

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|----------------|---|
| 1. rising | a. The amount of something that is available to use or buy. |
| 2. facing | b. Becomes better. |
| 3. crisis | c. Becoming higher or increasing. |
| 4. supply | d. A very serious problem or difficult situation. |
| 5. fuel (noun) | e. Having to deal with a difficult situation. |
| 6. temporary | f. A substance such as gas or oil that is used to produce energy. |
| 7. improves | g. Lasting for only a short time. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|--------------------|---|
| 8. essential | h. The work of building things such as houses, roads, and buildings. |
| 9. construction | i. The work of moving and organizing goods from one place to another. |
| 10. logistics | j. Goods that are sent to another country to be sold. |
| 11. imports (verb) | k. Very important or necessary. |
| 12. banning | l. Need or trust someone or something for help or support. |
| 13. exports (noun) | m. Stopping something from being allowed. |
| 14. rely on | n. Brings goods into a country from another country. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2610/261001-energy-price-crisis.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

1. The European Commission is not part of the European Union. **T / F**
2. An EU spokesperson said a price crisis was linked to a supply crisis. **T / F**
3. Gas storage in Europe is less than half full. **T / F**
4. The EU spokesperson said actions to control prices should be long term. **T / F**
5. The article says diesel is no longer needed by farmers. **T / F**
6. Food prices are linked to diesel prices. **T / F**
7. US President Donald Trump may stop American diesel exports. **T / F**
8. EU leaders want to move from oil and gas to clean energy. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- | | |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1. worried | a. lower |
| 2. body | b. rise |
| 3. reduce | c. short-term |
| 4. limited | d. important |
| 5. temporary | e. made |
| 6. essential | f. concerned |
| 7. increase | g. stopping |
| 8. banning | h. group |
| 9. produced | i. depend |
| 10. rely | j. in short supply |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|--|---------------------------|
| 1. reduce their use | a. 68 per cent full |
| 2. using less energy could help to | b. for farming |
| 3. gas storage in Europe is only | c. a lot of its diesel |
| 4. action to control energy | d. of gas and electricity |
| 5. He asked countries to lower their | e. on imported oil |
| 6. Diesel is essential | f. prices |
| 7. Higher diesel prices increase the cost of | g. exports |
| 8. The EU imports | h. energy demand |
| 9. Trump has talked about banning | i. keep fuel prices down |
| 10. they can rely less | j. the food we buy |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2610/261001-energy-price-crisis.html>

The European Union (EU) is worried about rising energy prices. An EU (1) _____ called the European Commission wants countries to reduce their use of gas and electricity to help (2) _____ prices. The EU's Energy Commissioner, Dan Jorgensen, said: "We are (3) _____ a price crisis linked to a supply crisis." He said using less energy could help to keep fuel prices (4) _____. He added that people needed to use less because (5) _____ are limited. He pointed to the fact that gas storage in Europe is only 68 per cent (6) _____. Mr Jorgensen said any action to control energy prices should be "well targeted" and "(7) _____. He asked countries to lower their energy demand until the situation (8) _____.

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supplies
improves
body
temporary
down
control
full

In particular, Europe is worried about diesel supplies and prices. Diesel is (9) _____ for farming, construction, shipping, logistics, and other industries. Higher diesel prices increase the (10) _____ of the food we buy. The EU imports a (11) _____ of its diesel. Around 50 per cent of its diesel imports are from the USA. The European Commission is worried it might not be (12) _____ to import enough of the fuel from the USA. In the (13) _____ week, President Donald Trump has talked about (14) _____ exports from the USA. He said: "Let's not send out the diesel." He added that he was thinking about a ban "very (15) _____. EU leaders want more European-produced clean energy so that they can (16) _____ less on imported oil and gas.

able
rely
cost
seriously
essential
past
lot
banning

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2610/261001-energy-price-crisis.html>

- 1) the European Commission wants countries to reduce their _____
 - a. use of gas
 - b. use off gas
 - c. used of gas
 - d. useful gas
- 2) He said using less energy could help to keep _____
 - a. fail prices down
 - b. fuel price is down
 - c. feel prices down
 - d. fuel prices down
- 3) He added that people needed to use less because _____
 - a. supplies are limits
 - b. supplies are limited
 - c. supplies are limit it
 - d. supplies are limiting
- 4) any action to control energy prices should be well _____
 - a. target it and temporary
 - b. targeted and temporary
 - c. targeted and temporarily
 - d. target and temporary
- 5) He asked countries to lower their energy demand until _____
 - a. the situational improves
 - b. the situation improves
 - c. the situation improve
 - d. a situation improve
- 6) essential for farming, construction, shipping, logistics, _____
 - a. and other industry
 - b. end other industries
 - c. and another industries
 - d. and other industries
- 7) Higher diesel prices increase the cost of the _____
 - a. food we buyer
 - b. food they buy
 - c. food we buy
 - d. food we buys
- 8) The European Commission is worried it might not be able _____
 - a. to import enough
 - b. too import enough
 - c. twin port enough
 - d. to impart enough
- 9) He added that he was thinking about a _____
 - a. band very seriously
 - b. ban very seriously
 - c. ban vary seriously
 - d. band very serious
- 10) leaders want more European-produced clean energy so that they can rely less _____
 - a. in imported oil
 - b. on imported oil
 - c. of imported oil
 - d. an imported oil

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2610/261001-energy-price-crisis.html>

The European Union (EU) is (1) _____ energy prices. An EU body called the European Commission wants countries to reduce their use of gas and electricity to (2) _____. The EU's Energy Commissioner, Dan Jorgensen, said: "We are facing a price crisis linked to (3) _____. " He said using less energy could help to keep fuel prices down. He added that people needed to use less because (4) _____. He pointed to the fact that gas storage in Europe is only 68 per cent full. Mr Jorgensen said (5) _____ control energy prices should be "well targeted" and "temporary". He asked countries to lower their (6) _____ the situation improves.

In particular, Europe is worried about diesel (7) _____. Diesel is essential for farming, construction, shipping, logistics, (8) _____. Higher diesel prices increase (9) _____ the food we buy. The EU imports a lot of its diesel. Around 50 per cent of its diesel imports are from the USA. The European Commission is worried it might not (10) _____ import enough of the fuel from the USA. In the past week, President Donald Trump has talked (11) _____ from the USA. He said: "Let's not send out the diesel." He added that he was thinking about a ban "very seriously". EU leaders want more European-produced clean energy so that they can (12) _____ imported oil and gas.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2610/261001-energy-price-crisis.html>

1. What is the European Commission part of?
2. What might reducing the use of gas and electricity help to control?
3. What did an EU commissioner say the price crisis is linked to?
4. How much of Europe's gas storage is full?
5. How long should actions to control energy prices be?
6. What industries are diesel essential for besides farming and shipping?
7. What do higher diesel prices increase the cost of?
8. How much of the EU's diesel comes from the USA?
9. Who is talking about banning diesel exports?
10. What do EU leaders want Europe to produce more of?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2610/261001-energy-price-crisis.html>

- 1) What is the European Commission part of?
 - a) the UN
 - b) the IMF
 - c) NATO
 - d) the EU
- 2) What might reducing the use of gas and electricity help to control?
 - a) climate change
 - b) prices
 - c) health
 - d) pollution
- 3) What did an EU commissioner say the price crisis is linked to?
 - a) unemployment
 - b) obesity
 - c) an economic crisis
 - d) a supply crisis
- 4) How much of Europe's gas storage is full?
 - a) 48%
 - b) 58%
 - c) 68%
 - d) 78%
- 5) How long should actions to control energy prices be?
 - a) long-term
 - b) a decade
 - c) years
 - d) temporary
- 6) What industries are diesel essential for besides farming and shipping?
 - a) education and leisure
 - b) fishing and tourism
 - c) construction and logistics
 - d) AI and computing
- 7) What do higher diesel prices increase the cost of?
 - a) food
 - b) cars
 - c) books
 - d) smartphones
- 8) How much of the EU's diesel comes from the USA?
 - a) exactly 50%
 - b) more than 50%
 - c) around 50%
 - d) less than 50%
- 9) Who is talking about banning diesel exports?
 - a) the EU president
 - b) President Donald Trump
 - c) an oil company CEO
 - d) Vladimir Putin
- 10) What do EU leaders want Europe to produce more of?
 - a) clean energy
 - b) electric cars
 - c) bio-food
 - d) babies

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Energy Prices

You think rising energy prices is the biggest crisis facing the world. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their crises aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the least worrying of these (and why): climate change, the Iran War or biodiversity crisis.

Role B – Climate Change

You think climate change is the biggest crisis facing the world. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their crises aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the least worrying of these (and why): energy prices, the Iran War or biodiversity crisis.

Role C – The Iran War

You think the Iran War is the biggest crisis facing the world. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their crises aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the least worrying of these (and why): climate change, energy prices or biodiversity crisis.

Role D – Biodiversity Crisis

You think the biodiversity crisis is the biggest crisis facing the world. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their crises aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the least worrying of these (and why): climate change, the Iran War or energy prices.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2610/261001-energy-price-crisis.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look online / in your dictionary to find collocates, information on, synonyms for... the words 'energy' and 'crisis'.

energy	crisis

- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

• called • help • linked • keep • only • action	• essential • lot • able • past • send • clean
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ENERGY PRICES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about energy prices 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.

ENERGY PRICES DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'energy'?
3. What do you know about the European Union?
4. What are your energy prices like?
5. How worried are you about energy prices?
6. How easy would it be for you to use less energy?
7. What crises are we living through?
8. Have fuel bills changed your spending?
9. What actions can governments take to control energy prices?
10. What message do you have for energy company bosses?

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ENERGY PRICES DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'crisis'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What do you think of the European Union?
15. What different kinds of energy do you use?
16. What are food prices like in your country?
17. Why are energy prices going up?
18. Should more countries use more clean energy?
19. Do you think it's possible to not use fossil fuels?
20. What questions would you like to ask the EU's leader?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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The European Union (EU) is worried about (1) _____ energy prices. An EU body called the European Commission wants countries to (2) _____ their use of gas and electricity to help control prices. The EU's Energy Commissioner, Dan Jorgensen, said: "We are (3) _____ a price crisis linked to a supply crisis." He said using less energy could help to keep fuel prices down. He added (4) _____ people needed to use less because supplies are limited. He pointed (5) _____ the fact that gas storage in Europe is only 68 per cent full. Mr Jorgensen said any action to control energy prices should be "(6) _____ targeted" and "temporary". He asked countries to lower their energy demand until the situation improves.

In particular, Europe is worried about diesel supplies and prices. Diesel is essential (7) _____ farming, construction, shipping, logistics, and other industries. Higher diesel prices increase the (8) _____ of the food we buy. The EU imports a lot of its diesel. Around 50 per cent of its diesel imports are from the USA. The European Commission is worried it might not (9) _____ able to import enough of the fuel from the USA. In the past week, President Donald Trump has (10) _____ about banning exports from the USA. He said: "Let's not send out the diesel." He added that he was thinking about a ban "very (11) _____". EU leaders want more European-produced clean energy so that they can rely (12) _____ on imported oil and gas.

Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|---------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| 1. | (a) risen | (b) rising | (c) arisen | (d) raise |
| 2. | (a) reduces | (b) reduce | (c) reduction | (d) reducing |
| 3. | (a) daring | (b) heading | (c) backing | (d) facing |
| 4. | (a) which | (b) that | (c) thus | (d) what |
| 5. | (a) by | (b) down | (c) up | (d) to |
| 6. | (a) good | (b) nice | (c) well | (d) healthy |
| 7. | (a) for | (b) of | (c) at | (d) by |
| 8. | (a) profit | (b) demand | (c) cost | (d) taste |
| 9. | (a) have | (b) do | (c) get | (d) be |
| 10. | (a) talked | (b) speak | (c) chatting | (d) voiced |
| 11. | (a) seriously | (b) series | (c) serious | (d) seriousness |
| 12. | (a) less | (b) not | (c) under | (d) more |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. reduce their use of gas
2. keep low prices down
3. limits are limited
4. gas prices
5. prices should be well targeted and aimed
6. until the situation improves

Paragraph 2

7. diesel is used for farming
8. shipping, logistics, and other sectors
9. The EU consumes a lot of its diesel.
10. Trump has talked about banning exports.
11. thinking about a ban very unlikely
12. so that they can pay less

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2610/261001-energy-price-crisis.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () and "temporary". He asked countries to lower their energy demand until the situation improves.
- () buy. The EU imports a lot of its diesel. Around 50 per cent of its diesel imports are from the USA. The European
- () Commission is worried it might not be able to import enough of the fuel from the USA. In the past
- () European Commission wants countries to reduce their use of gas and electricity to help control
- () farming, construction, shipping, logistics, and other industries. Higher diesel prices increase the cost of the food we
- () full. Mr Jorgensen said any action to control energy prices should be "well targeted"
- () In particular, Europe is worried about diesel supplies and prices. Diesel is essential for
- () leaders want more European-produced clean energy so that they can rely less on imported oil and gas.
- () out the diesel." He added that he was thinking about a ban "very seriously". EU
- () prices. The EU's Energy Commissioner, Dan Jorgensen, said: "We are facing a price crisis linked
- (**1**) The European Union (EU) is worried about rising energy prices. An EU body called the
- () to a supply crisis." He said using less energy could help to keep fuel prices down. He added that people needed to
- () use less because supplies are limited. He pointed to the fact that gas storage in Europe is only 68 per cent
- () week, President Donald Trump has talked about banning exports from the USA. He said: "Let's not send

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. EU The about energy is prices rising worried .
2. Reduce their control gas of prices to use .
3. He a are crisis facing price said we .
4. Less could energy help keep prices to down .
5. He asked countries demand energy lower their to .
6. Europe In about diesel is particular, supplies worried .
7. Higher increase cost diesel food of prices the .
8. EU a diesel its imports lot of The .
9. It enough import might not be able to .
10. They can imported less oil on rely .

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2610/261001-energy-price-crisis.html>

The European Union (EU) is worried about *risen* / *rising* energy prices. An EU body called the European Commission wants countries to reduce their *used* / *use* of gas and electricity to help control *prices* / *price*. The EU's Energy Commissioner, Dan Jorgensen, said: "We are *facing* / *heading* a price crisis linked to a supply *crisis* / *crises*." He said using less energy could help *for* / *to* keep fuel prices down. He added that people needed *for* / *to* use less because supplies are *limits* / *limited*. He pointed to the fact that gas storage in Europe is only 68 per cent *fully* / *full*. Mr Jorgensen said any action to control energy prices should be "well targeted" and "temporary". He asked countries to lower their energy demand *until* / *still* the situation improves.

In particular, Europe is *worried* / *worries* about diesel supplies and prices. Diesel is essential for farming, *construct* / *construction*, shipping, logistics, and other *industries* / *industry*. Higher diesel prices increase *a* / *the* cost of the food we buy. The EU imports a *lot* / *lots* of its diesel. Around 50 per cent of its diesel imports are from the USA. The European Commission is worried it might not be *ability* / *able* to import enough of the fuel from the USA. In the *past* / *passed* week, President Donald Trump has talked about *burning* / *banning* exports from the USA. He said: "Let's not send *out* / *in* the diesel." He added that he was thinking about a ban "very seriously". EU leaders want more European-produced clean energy so that they can rely less *in* / *on* imported oil and gas.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct. Look up the definition of new words.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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Th_ _r_p__n _n__n (__) _s w_rr__d _b__t r_s_ng
_n_rgy pr_c_s. _n __ b_dy c_ll_d th_ _r_p__n
C_mm_ss__n w_nts c__ntr__s t_ r_d_c_ th__r _s_ _f
g_s _nd _l_ctr_c_ty t_ h_lp c_ntr_l pr_c_s. Th_ __'s
_n_rgy C_mm_ss__n_r, D_n J_rg_ns_n, s__d: "W_ _r_
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c_nstr_ct__n, sh_pp_ng, l_g_st_cs, _nd _th_r
_nd_str__s. H_g_h_r d__s_l pr_c_s _ncr__s_ th_ c_st _f
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2610/261001-energy-price-crisis.html>

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in particular europe is worried about diesel supplies and prices diesel is essential for farming construction shipping logistics and other industries higher diesel prices increase the cost of the food we buy the eu imports a lot of its diesel around 50 per cent of its diesel imports are from the usa the european commission is worried it might not be able to import enough of the fuel from the usa in the past week president donald trump has talked about banning exports from the usa he said lets not send out the diesel he added that he was thinking about a ban very seriously eu leaders want more european produced clean energy so that they can rely less on imported oil and gas

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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The European Union (EU) is worried about rising energy prices. An EU body called the European Commission wants countries to reduce their use of gas and electricity to help control prices. The EU's Energy Commissioner, Dan Jorgensen, said: "We are facing a price crisis linked to a supply crisis." He said using less energy could help to keep fuel prices down. He added that people needed to use less because supplies are limited. He pointed to the fact that gas storage in Europe is only 68 percent full. Mr Jorgensen said any action to control energy prices should be "well targeted" and "temporary". He asked countries to lower their energy demand until the situation improves. In particular, Europe is worried about diesel supplies and prices. Diesel is essential for farming, construction, shipping, logistics, and other industries. Higher diesel prices increase the cost of the food we buy. The EU imports a lot of its diesel. Around 50 percent of its diesel imports are from the USA. The European Commission is worried it might not be able to import enough of the fuel from the USA. In the past week, President Donald Trump has talked about banning exports from the USA. He said: "Let's not send out the diesel." He added that he was thinking about a ban "very seriously". EU leaders want more European-produced clean energy so that they can rely less on imported oil and gas.

FREE WRITING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2610/261001-energy-price-crisis.html>

Write about **energy prices** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner's paper.

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ACADEMIC WRITING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2610/261001-energy-price-crisis.html>

We should end fossil-fuel use as soon as possible. Discuss.

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HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. ENERGY PRICES: Make a poster about energy prices. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. LIFESTYLE CHANGE: Write a magazine article about changing our lifestyles so we worry less about energy prices. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on energy prices. Ask him/her three questions about them. Give him/her three of your ideas on how we can deal with energy prices. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. c 2. e 3. d 4. a 5. f 6. g 7. b
8. k 9. h 10. i 11. n 12. m 13. j 14. l

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- 1 F 2 T 3 F 4 F 5 F 6 T 7 T 8 T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. f	2. h	3. a	4. j	5. c
6. d	7. b	8. g	9. e	10. i

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. The European Union
2. (Energy) prices
3. A supply crisis
4. Sixty-eight per cent
5. Temporary (short term)
6. Construction and logistics
7. Food
8. Around 50 per cent
9. President Donald Trump
10. Clean energy

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.19)

1. The EU is worried about rising energy prices.
2. Reduce their use of gas to control prices.
3. He said we are facing a price crisis.
4. Less energy could help to keep prices down.
5. He asked countries to lower their energy demand.
6. In particular, Europe is worried about diesel supplies.
7. Higher diesel prices increase the cost of food.
8. The EU imports a lot of its diesel.
9. It might not be able to import enough.
10. They can rely less on imported oil.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. d 2. b 3. d 4. c 5. d 6. c 7. a 8. c 9. b 10. a

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)