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France blames Iran for cyberattack on freezers

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THE ARTICLE

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2611/261112-supermarket-freezer-cyberattack.html

The French government has blamed Iran for a cyberattack on supermarket freezers and refrigerators across France. The attacks happened last month. They hit around 700 supermarkets and shops. Hackers took control of the cooling systems in the fridges and freezers. Temperatures increased to more than 50 degrees Celsius. Thousands of tons of frozen food melted. Stores had to throw the food away because it was no longer safe to eat. The French Foreign Minister said the attack was on a level never seen before. France believes an Iranian cyber unit carried out the attack. Iran has strongly denied it was involved in the attacks and blamed the French government for them.

Security experts have warned that cyberattacks could be more dangerous in the future. Similar attacks have already affected other European countries. A French blood bank has also been hit. Fortunately, workers stopped the blood products from being damaged. Cybersecurity expert Gerome Billois stated: "At the moment, they are attacking easy equipment, but we should be prepared to see attacks on other systems like water or electricity." Weak computer security can let hackers attack places and services, such as hospitals, airports, public transport and banks. This can put people's lives in danger. European officials have said that a strong response is needed.

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WARM-UPS

1. CYBERSECURITY: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about cybersecurity. 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?

> France / Iran / cyberattack / supermarket / refrigerators / hackers / frozen food / security experts / the future / blood bank / cybersecurity / hospitals / airports / banks

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

3. INTERNET-CONNECTED: Students A **strongly** believe it is dangerous to link everything to the internet; Students B **strongly** believe it isn't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. HIDDEN DANGERS: How dangerous is it to connect these things to the internet? What could go wrong? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	How Dangerous?	What Could Go Wrong?
Security cameras		
Smart door locks		
Smart speakers		
Internet-connected cars		
Medical devices		
Payment apps		

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

6. INFRASTRUCTURE: Rank these with your partner. Put the things that are riskiest if they were cyberattacked at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Hospitals
- Data centres
- Banks
- Dams
- Railway networks
- TV stations
- Water treatment plants
- Electricity grids

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

1.	blamed	a.	Machines that keep food and drinks cold.
2.	freezers	b.	Said that someone did something wrong.
3.	refrigerator	c.	How hot or cold something is.
4.	temperatures	d.	A way to measure weight. One ton is 1,000 kilograms.
5.	tons	e.	Machines that keep food very, very cold or frozen.
6.	melted	f.	The person or group that did something.
7.	responsible	g.	Changed from ice or something hard to liquid.

Paragraph 2

8.	expert	h.	Had an effect on someone or something.
9.	affected	i.	Ready to do something.
10.	blood bank	j.	A person who knows a lot about a subject.
11.	equipment	k.	A place where blood is kept for people who need it.
12.	prepared	l.	For everyone to use or know about.
13.	public	m.	Tools and machines used for a particular job.
14.	response	n.	An answer or action after something happens.

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2611/261112-supermarket-freezer-cyberattack.html

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

1. The French government believes Iran hacked supermarket fridges. **T / F**
2. Hackers hacked into 700 freezers in French supermarkets. **T / F**
3. A lot of frozen food melted because of the hack. **T / F**
4. The French Foreign Minister said there had been worst attacks before. **T / F**
5. Hackers attacked a blood bank in France and destroyed all the blood. **T / F**
6. A security expert said the hackers were going after easy targets. **T / F**
7. The expert warned hackers could target electricity and water systems. **T / F**
8. European officials said no response was necessary. **T / F**

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

1. across	a. rose
2. hit	b. ready
3. increased	c. did
4. safe to eat	d. cautioned
5. carried out	e. reply
6. warned	f. edible
7. fortunately	g. all over
8. prepared	h. like
9. such as	i. struck
10. response	j. luckily

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

1. a cyberattack on supermarket freezers	a. in danger
2. Hackers took control of the cooling	b. 50 degrees Celsius
3. Temperatures increased to more than	c. it was involved
4. Thousands of tons of	d. from being damaged
5. Iran has strongly denied	e. frozen food melted
6. blood	f. systems
7. workers stopped the blood products	g. moment
8. at the	h. response is needed
9. This can put people's lives	i. and refrigerators
10. officials have said that a strong	j. bank

GAP FILL

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2611/261112-supermarket-freezer-cyberattack.html

The French government has (1) _____ Iran for a cyberattack on supermarket freezers and (2) _____ across France. The attacks happened last month. They hit around 700 supermarkets and shops. Hackers took (3) _____ of the cooling systems in the fridges and freezers. Temperatures increased to more than 50 (4) _____ Celsius. Thousands of tons of frozen food (5) _____. Stores had to throw the food away because it was no longer safe to eat. The French Foreign Minister said the attack was on a (6) _____ never seen before. France believes an Iranian cyber unit (7) _____ out the attack. Iran has (8) _____ denied it was involved in the attacks and blamed the French government for them.

melted

blamed

strongly

degrees

refrigerators

carried

control

level

Security experts have warned that cyberattacks could be more dangerous in the future. Similar attacks have already (9) _____ other European countries. A French blood (10) _____ has also been hit. Fortunately, workers stopped the blood (11) _____ from being damaged. Cybersecurity expert Gerome Billois stated: "At the (12) _____, they are attacking easy equipment, but we should be (13) _____ to see attacks on other systems like water or electricity." Weak computer security can let (14) _____ attack places and services, such as hospitals, airports, public transport and banks. This can put people's (15) _____ in danger. European officials have said that a strong (16) _____ is needed.

lives

moment

bank

prepared

response

affected

hackers

products

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2611/261112-supermarket-freezer-cyberattack.html

1) a cyberattack on supermarket freezers and _____
   a. refrigerators a cross France
   b. refrigerators a crossed France
   c. refrigerators across France
   d. refrigerators crossing France
2) Thousands of tons of _____
   a. freezing food melt it
   b. frozen food melded
   c. freezing food melted
   d. frozen food melted
3) The French Foreign Minister said the attack was on a level _____
   a. never seen before
   b. never seeing before
   c. never seen afore
   d. never seen be four
4) France believes an Iranian cyber unit carried _____
   a. out a attack
   b. doubt the attack
   c. at the attack
   d. out the attack
5) Iran has strongly denied it was involved in the attacks and _____
   a. blamed the France
   b. blame the French
   c. blamed the French
   d. blamed a French
6) warned that cyberattacks could be more dangerous _____
   a. on the future
   b. in the future
   c. inner future
   d. in a future
7) Fortunately, workers stopped the blood products _____
   a. from be in damaged
   b. from being damaged
   c. from being damage
   d. from been damaged
8) they are attacking easy equipment, but we should be prepared to see attacks _____
   a. on over systems
   b. another systems
   c. on another systems
   d. on other systems
9) Weak computer security can let hackers attack _____
   a. place is and services
   b. places and service is
   c. places and services
   d. place and service
10) European officials have said that a strong _____
   a. response is needed
   b. response is needy
   c. response is needing
   d. response is kneaded

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2611/261112-supermarket-freezer-cyberattack.html

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2611/261112-supermarket-freezer-cyberattack.html

1. What two things did hackers hack in French supermarkets?

2. How many supermarkets did the hackers target?

3. What happened to tons of frozen food?

4. What did the French Foreign Minister say about the level of the attack?

5. Who blamed France for the attack?

6. What did security experts warn could be more dangerous in the future?

7. What kind of bank was attacked in France?

8. Who is Gerome Billois?

9. What can allow hackers to attack places like hospitals and airports?

10. What did European officials say was needed?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2611/261112-supermarket-freezer-cyberattack.html

1) What two things did hackers hack in French supermarkets?
a) door locks and security cameras
b) freezers and refrigerators
c) computers and servers
d) frozen food and fresh fruit

2) How many supermarkets did the hackers target?
a) just fewer than 700
b) more than 700
c) exactly 700
d) around 700

3) What happened to tons of frozen food?
a) It exploded.
b) It was stolen.
c) It melted.
d) It was eaten.

4) What did the French foreign minister say about the level of the attack?
a) It had never seen before.
b) It was at a crazy level.
c) It was low.
d) It was at a dangerous level.

5) Who blamed France for the attack?
a) freezer makers
b) Iran
c) frozen food makers
d) French shoppers

6) What did security experts warn could be more dangerous in the future?
a) cyberattacks
b) frozen food
c) refrigerators
d) supermarkets

7) What kind of bank was attacked in France?
a) a savings bank
b) a riverbank
c) a blood bank
d) an investment bank

8) Who is Gerome Billois?
a) a cybersecurity expert
b) a supermarket boss
c) a frozen food maker
d) a shopper

9) What can allow hackers to attack places like hospitals and airports?
a) a special key
b) passwords
c) money
d) weak security

10) What did European officials say was needed?
a) bigger computers
b) bigger freezers
c) a strong response
d) less frozen food

ROLE PLAY

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2611/261112-supermarket-freezer-cyberattack.html

Role A – Banks

You think banks would be the worst things to be attacked by hackers. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't as risky. Also, tell the others which of these would cause the fewest problems if they were hacked (and why): dams, TV stations or electricity grids.

Role B – Dams

You think dams would be the worst things to be attacked by hackers. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't as risky. Also, tell the others which of these would cause the fewest problems if they were hacked (and why): banks, TV stations or electricity grids.

Role C – TV Stations

You think TV stations would be the worst things to be attacked by hackers. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't as risky. Also, tell the others which of these would cause the fewest problems if they were hacked (and why): dams, banks or electricity grids.

Role D – Electricity Grids

You think electricity grids would be the worst things to be attacked by hackers. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't as risky. Also, tell the others which of these would cause the fewest problems if they were hacked (and why): dams, TV stations or banks.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2611/261112-supermarket-freezer-cyberattack.html

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

supermarket	**freezer**

- 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:

• freezers	• warned
• 700	• affected
• cooling	• stopped
• melted	• prepared
• level	• weak
• strongly	• lives

CYBERSECURITY SURVEY

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2611/261112-supermarket-freezer-cyberattack.html

Write five GOOD questions about cybersecurity 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.

CYBERSECURITY 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 'cyberattack'?
3. What do you think of cyberattacks?
4. Should fridges and freezers be connected to the internet?
5. What dangers are there to being online?
6. Have you ever had any problems online?
7. How can supermarkets keep their food safe?
8. What should governments do to stop cyberattacks?
9. What things in your house are connected to the internet?
10. What advice do you have for the supermarkets?

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CYBERSECURITY 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 'freezer'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What cyberattacks do you know about?
15. How worried are you about cybersecurity?
16. How dangerous could cyberattacks become?
17. What would you do if banks were attacked?
18. What would you do if public transport was attacked?
19. Should children at school have lessons on stopping cyberattacks?
20. What questions would you like to ask a cybersecurity expert?

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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Security experts have warned that cyberattacks could be more dangerous (7) _____ the future. Similar attacks have already affected (8) _____ European countries. A French blood bank has also been hit. Fortunately, workers stopped the blood products from (9) _____ damaged. Cybersecurity expert Gerome Billois stated: "At the moment, they are attacking easy equipment, but we should be prepared to see attacks on other systems (10) _____ water or electricity." Weak computer security can let hackers attack places and services, such (11) _____ hospitals, airports, public transport and banks. This can put people's lives in danger. European officials have said that a strong response is (12) _____.

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

1.	(a)	blames	(b)	blaming	(c)	blamed	(d)	blame
2.	(a)	hit	(b)	smashed	(c)	whacked	(d)	punched
3.	(a)	to	(b)	at	(c)	of	(d)	up
4.	(a)	away	(b)	far	(c)	up	(d)	into
5.	(a)	even	(b)	ever	(c)	every	(d)	never
6.	(a)	as	(b)	to	(c)	at	(d)	for
7.	(a)	in	(b)	at	(c)	of	(d)	up
8.	(a)	others	(b)	another	(c)	the others	(d)	other
9.	(a)	being	(b)	doing	(c)	having	(d)	freezing
10.	(a)	liking	(b)	like	(c)	liked	(d)	likes
11.	(a)	was	(b)	as	(c)	has	(d)	is
12.	(a)	needed	(b)	needy	(c)	needing	(d)	needs

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. freezers and eraigrrftreos

2. hackers took onrtclo

3. lconiog systems

4. tons of frozen food tdeeml

5. the attack was on a lleev never seen before

6. denied it was ovnlvdei in the attacks

Paragraph 2

7. security xeprets

8. fefaedct other European countries

9. dlboo products

10. water or ecclirytiet

11. public artornpts

12. a strong orseespn is needed

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2611/261112-supermarket-freezer-cyberattack.html

Number these lines in the correct order.

( ) affected other European countries. A French blood bank has also been hit. Fortunately, workers stopped the blood

( ) and shops. Hackers took control of the cooling systems in the fridges and freezers. Temperatures increased to more

( ) as hospitals, airports, public transport and banks. This can put people's lives in

( ) away because it was no longer safe to eat. The French Foreign Minister said the attack was on a

( ) danger. European officials have said that a strong response is needed.

( ) denied it was involved in the attacks and blamed the French government for them.

( ) level never seen before. France believes an Iranian cyber unit carried out the attack. Iran has strongly

( ) moment, they are attacking easy equipment, but we should be prepared to see attacks on other

( ) products from being damaged. Cybersecurity expert Gerome Billois stated: "At the

( ) refrigerators across France. The attacks happened last month. They hit around 700 supermarkets

( ) Security experts have warned that cyberattacks could be more dangerous in the future. Similar attacks have already

( ) systems like water or electricity." Weak computer security can let hackers attack places and services, such

( ) than 50 degrees Celsius. Thousands of tons of frozen food melted. Stores had to throw the food

(***1***) The French government has blamed Iran for a cyberattack on supermarket freezers and

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2611/261112-supermarket-freezer-cyberattack.html

1. control cooling Hackers of systems the took .

2. food frozen melted of of Thousands tons .

3. away had food Stores the throw to .

4. a before It level never on seen was .

5. denied has involved Iran it strongly was .

6. be could Cyberattacks dangerous future in more the .

7. affected already attacks countries European have other Similar .

8. being blood damaged from products stopped the Workers .

9. attack can computer hackers let places security Weak .

10. danger in lives people's put This can of .

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2611/261112-supermarket-freezer-cyberattack.html

The French government has *blaming / blamed* Iran for a cyberattack on supermarket freezers and refrigerators across France. The attacks happened last *month / monthly*. They hit around 700 supermarkets and shops. Hackers *took / gave* control of the cooling systems in the fridges and *freezes / freezers*. Temperatures increased to more than 50 *agrees / degrees* Celsius. Thousands of tons of frozen food *melted / melting*. Stores had to throw the food away because it was no *long / longer* safe to eat. The French Foreign Minister said the attack was *on / in* a level never seen before. France believes an Iranian cyber unit carried *out / in* the attack. Iran has strongly denied it was involved in the attacks and blamed the French government *for / to* them.

Security experts have warned that cyberattacks could *be / being* more dangerous *on / in* the future. Similar attacks have already affected *another / other* European countries. A French blood bank has also been hit. Fortunately, workers stopped the *bloody / blood* products from being damaged. Cybersecurity expert Gerome Billois stated: "*Of / At* the moment, they are attacking easy equipment, but we should *do / be* prepared to see attacks on other systems like water *or / nor* electricity." Weak computer security can let hackers attack places and services, such *was / as* hospitals, airports, public transport and banks. This can put people's lives *on / in* danger. European officials have said that a strong response is needed / *need*.

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_ Fr_nch g_v_rnm_nt h_s bl_m_d _r_n f_r _ cyb_r_tt_ck _n s_p_rm_rk_t fr__z_rs _nd r_fr_g_r_t_rs _cr_ss Fr_nc_. Th_ _tt_cks h_pp_n_d l_st m_nth. Th_y h_t _r__nd 700 s_p_rm_rk_ts _nd sh_ps. H_ck_rs t__k c_ntr_l _f th_ c__l_ng syst_ms _n th_ fr_dg_s _nd fr__z_rs. T_mp_r_t_r_s _ncr__s_d t_ m_r_ th_n 50 d_gr__s C_ls__s. Th__s_nds _f t_ns _f fr_z_n f__d m_lt_d. St_r_s h_d t_ thr_w th_ f__d _w_y b_c__s_ _t w_s n_ l_ng_r s_f_ t_ __t. Th_ Fr_nch F_r__gn M_n_st_r s__d th_ _tt_ck w_s _n _ l_v_l n_v_r s__n b_f_r_. Fr_nc_ b_l__v_s _n _r_n__n cyb_r _n_t c_rr__d __t th_ _tt_ck. _r_n h_s str_ngly d_n__d _t w_s _nv_lv_d _n th_ _tt_cks _nd bl_m_d th_ Fr_nch g_v_rnm_nt f_r th_m.

S_c_r_ty _xp_rts h_v_ w_rn_d th_t cyb_r_tt_cks c__ld b_ m_r_ d_ng_r__s _n th_ f_t_r_. S_m_l_r _tt_cks h_v_ _lr__dy _ff_ct_d _th_r __r_p__n c__ntr__s. _ Fr_nch bl__d b_nk h_s _ls_ b__n h_t. F_rt_n_t_ly, w_rk_rs st_pp_d th_ bl__d pr_d_cts fr_m b__ng d_m_g_d. Cyb_rs_c_r_ty _xp_rt G_r_m_ B_ll__s st_t_d: "_t th_ m_m_nt, th_y _r_ _tt_ck_ng __sy _q__pm_nt, b_t w_ sh__ld b_ pr_p_r_d t_ s__ _tt_cks _n _th_r syst_ms l_k_ w_t_r _r _l_ctr_c_ty." W__k c_mp_t_r s_c_r_ty c_n l_t h_ck_rs _tt_ck pl_c_s _nd s_rv_c_s, s_ch _s h_sp_t_ls, __rp_rts, p_bl_c tr_nsp_rt _nd b_nks. Th_s c_n p_t p__pl_'s l_v_s _n d_ng_r. __r_p__n _ff_c__ls h_v_ s__d th_t _ str_ng r_sp_ns_ _s n__d_d.

PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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the french government has blamed iran for a cyberattack on supermarket freezers and refrigerators across france the attacks happened last month they hit around 700 supermarkets and shops hackers took control of the cooling systems in the fridges and freezers temperatures increased to more than 50 degrees celsius thousands of tons of frozen food melted stores had to throw the food away because it was no longer safe to eat the french foreign minister said the attack was on a level never seen before france believes an iranian cyber unit carried out the attack iran has strongly denied it was involved in the attacks and blamed the french government for them

security experts have warned that cyberattacks could be more dangerous in the future similar attacks have already affected other european countries a french blood bank has also been hit fortunately workers stopped the blood products from being damaged cybersecurity expert gerome billois stated at the moment they are attacking easy equipment but we should be prepared to see attacks on other systems like water or electricity weak computer security can let hackers attack places and services such as hospitals airports public transport and banks this can put peoples lives in danger european officials have said that a strong response is needed

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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FREE WRITING

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2611/261112-supermarket-freezer-cyberattack.html

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

ACADEMIC WRITING

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2611/261112-supermarket-freezer-cyberattack.html

We should not connect everything to the Internet. Discuss.

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. CYBERSECURITY: Make a poster about cybersecurity. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. INTERNET-CONNECTED: Write a magazine article about not connecting everything in our lives to the internet. 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 cybersecurity. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to stay safe online. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

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

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

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

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

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

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. Freezers and refrigerators
2. Around 700
3. It melted
4. It had never seen before
5. Iran
6. Cyberattacks
7. A blood bank
8. A cybersecurity expert
9. Weak security
10. A strong response

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.19)

1. Hackers took control of the cooling systems.
2. Thousands of tons of frozen food melted.
3. Stores had to throw the food away.
4. It was on a level never seen before.
5. Iran has strongly denied it was involved.
6. Cyberattacks could be more dangerous in the future.
7. Similar attacks have already affected other European countries.
8. Workers stopped the blood products from being damaged.
9. Weak computer security can let hackers attack places.
10. This can put people's lives in danger.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

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

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

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