

www.**Breaking News English**.com

Ready-to-Use English Lessons by Sean Banville

**"1,000 IDEAS & ACTIVITIES
FOR LANGUAGE TEACHERS"**

www.breakingnewsenglish.com/book.html

**Thousands more free lessons
from Sean's other websites**

www.freeeslmaterials.com/sean_banville_lessons.html

Level 4

Ivory Coast gets three-word postal addresses

11th December, 2016

<http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1612/161211-postal-address-4.html>

Contents

The Reading	2
Phrase Matching	3
Listening Gap Fill	4
No Spaces	5
Survey	6
Writing and Speaking	7
Writing	8

Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

Twitter



twitter.com/SeanBanville

Facebook



www.facebook.com/pages/BreakingNewsEnglish/155625444452176

Google +



<https://plus.google.com/+SeanBanville>

THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1612/161211-postal-address-4.html>

Ivory Coast has a new postal system. It uses addresses that are just three words. For the first time, everyone in the country can get mail at their house. Before now, richer people used post office boxes. The head of Ivory Coast's post office said: "We have 150,000 PO boxes for a population of nearly 24 million. That means a postal address is a luxury....We have to make postal access available to everyone."

The new postal system uses the [what3words.com](http://www.what3words.com) geo-mapping system. It divides the world into 57 trillion 3m x 3m squares, each with a unique 3-word address. The software uses coordinates to pinpoint a location. The 22 numbers from these coordinates are changed into three easy to remember words. These replace regular addresses. A [what3words](http://www.what3words.com) spokesperson said poor addressing slows down growth and development and can cost lives.

Sources: <http://www.bbc.com/news/world-africa-38262877>
<http://www.techrepublic.com/article/why-geocoding-is-better-than-street-addresses-and-will-power-future-tech-and-services/>
<http://what3words.com/about/>

PHRASE MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1612/161211-postal-address-4.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Ivory Coast has a new | a. post office boxes |
| 2. It uses addresses that are | b. time |
| 3. For the first | c. at their house |
| 4. everyone | d. nearly 24 million |
| 5. get mail | e. postal system |
| 6. richer people used | f. available to everyone |
| 7. a population of | g. in the country |
| 8. We have to make postal access | h. just three words |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. geo- | a. 3-word address |
| 2. It divides the world into 57 | b. addresses |
| 3. each with a unique | c. trillion 3m x 3m squares |
| 4. The software uses coordinates | d. these coordinates |
| 5. The 22 numbers from | e. to remember words |
| 6. changed into three easy | f. mapping system |
| 7. These replace regular | g. and development |
| 8. slows down growth | h. to pinpoint a location |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1612/161211-postal-address-4.html>

Ivory Coast (1) _____ system. It uses addresses that are just three words. For (2) _____, everyone in the country can get mail at their house. Before now, (3) _____ post office boxes. (4) _____ Ivory Coast's post office said: "We have 150,000 PO boxes for a population of nearly 24 million. That means a postal address (5) _____We have to make postal access (6) _____."

The new postal system uses the what3words.com (7) _____. It divides the world (8) _____ 3m x 3m squares, each (9) _____ 3-word address. The software uses coordinates to (10) _____. The 22 numbers from these coordinates are changed into three easy to remember words. These replace (11) _____. A what3words spokesperson said poor addressing slows down growth and development (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1612/161211-postal-address-4.html>

Ivory Coast has a new postal system. It uses addresses that are just three words. For the first time, everyone in the country can get mail at their house. Before now, richer people used post office boxes. The head of Ivory Coast's post office said: "We have 150,000 PO boxes for a population of nearly 24 million. That means a postal address is a luxury... We have to make postal access available to everyone." The new postal system uses the what3words.com geo-mapping system. It divides the world into 57 trillion 3m x 3m squares, each with a unique 3-word address. The software uses coordinates to pinpoint a location. The 22 numbers from these coordinates are exchanged into three easy-to-remember words. These replace regular addresses. A what3words spokesperson said poor addressing slows down growth and development and can cost lives.

POSTAL ADDRESSES SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1612/161211-postal-address-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about postal addresses 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) _____

Ivory Coast gets three-word postal addresses - 11th December, 2016
More free lessons at www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

