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Algeria turns off Internet to stop exam cheats

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Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Algeria has turned off its Internet to stop students cheating in school exams. The government wants to stop students secretly going online during nationwide tests. The Internet stops for an hour after the start of each exam. The government will shut the Internet down during the exam season, from June 20 to June 25. In addition, all devices with Internet access have been banned from 2,000 exam centers. Even teachers cannot have their phones. There were many problems in 2016. Test questions were leaked online before and during exams.

Algeria's Education Minister told a newspaper that Facebook would also be blocked for the six days of the exams. She does not like doing this but needs to do something to stop students cheating. For more security, metal detectors will be put in all exam halls. Also, security cameras and mobile-phone blockers are now at the companies where the exams are printed. Many students think the government is doing the right thing. Rania Salim, 16, said it was unfair that students who didn't study could get help in exams by using their mobile phone to cheat.

Sources: <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-africa-44557028>
<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2018/jun/21/algeria-shuts-internet-prevent-cheating-school-exams>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. The government wants | a. of each exam |
| 2. going online during nationwide | b. leaked online |
| 3. after the start | c. tests |
| 4. during the exam | d. during exams |
| 5. devices with Internet | e. season |
| 6. Even teachers cannot | f. to stop students |
| 7. Test questions were | g. have their phones |
| 8. before and | h. access |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| 1. be blocked for the | a. do something |
| 2. She does not | b. thing |
| 3. needs to | c. cameras |
| 4. metal | d. didn't study |
| 5. security | e. six days |
| 6. doing the right | f. in exams |
| 7. students who | g. like doing this |
| 8. get help | h. detectors |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Algeria has turned off its Internet (1) _____ cheating in school exams. The government wants to stop students secretly (2) _____ nationwide tests. The Internet stops for an hour after the (3) _____ exam. The government will shut the Internet down during the exam season, from June 20 to June 25. In addition, (4) _____ Internet access have (5) _____ 2,000 exam centers. Even teachers cannot have their phones. There were many problems in 2016. Test questions (6) _____ before and during exams.

Algeria's Education Minister told a newspaper that Facebook would (7) _____ for the six days of the exams. She does not like doing this (8) _____ do something to stop students cheating. (9) _____, metal detectors will be put in all exam halls. Also, security cameras and mobile-phone blockers (10) _____ the companies where the exams are printed. Many students think the government is doing (11) _____. Rania Salim, 16, said it was unfair that students who didn't study could get (12) _____ by using their mobile phone to cheat.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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EXAMS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1806/180623-exam-security-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about Exams 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) _____

