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Huge migrant caravan heads to USA

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1810/181026-migrant-caravan.html>

A caravan of more than 7,000 migrants is embarking on a thousand-kilometre journey through Mexico, aiming for the border with the USA. The migrants are mainly from Honduras and are hoping to find a better life in the U.S. Parents with young children are fleeing violence and a lack of job opportunities in their home countries. A reporter described the caravan as being "a river of people". They are battling hot weather, a lack of food and exhaustion in their epic flight. The Washington Post reported that there were many in the caravan who were recently deported from the U.S. after having lived there illegally for decades. They are desperate to be reunited with their children still living in the U.S.

The U.S. government has made it clear that it will stick to the law regarding any applications for asylum. It will turn away all migrants who don't apply for asylum in Mexico first. There has been a "zero-tolerance" policy towards migrants to deter people from attempting to enter the country illegally. There was public outcry earlier this year after U.S. authorities separated migrant children from their parents at the border. U.S. President Donald Trump tweeted: "Sadly, it looks like Mexico's police and military are unable to stop the caravan heading to...the United States. Criminals and unknown Middle Easterners are mixed in." He has vowed to reduce or cut off foreign aid to Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador.

Sources: <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/migrant-caravan-what-happens-if-it-reaches-the-us-border/>
<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-latin-america-45944166>
<https://thehill.com/opinion/immigration/412670-why-the-migrant-caravan-is-not-a-border-crisis>

WARM-UPS

1. MIGRANTS: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about migrants. 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?

caravan / migrants / border / a better life / violence / job opportunities / hot weather
the law / asylum / zero tolerance / public outcry / military / criminals / foreign aid

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

3. BORDERS: Students A **strongly** believe the world would be better without borders; Students B **strongly** believe it wouldn't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. MIGRATION: What are the benefits of migration? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	How beneficial?	Would this work in your country?
Economic growth		
Help for the aged		
Low-paid jobs		
Energy / innovation		
Cultural diversity		
Tolerance		

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

6. 1,000-KM MIGRATION: Rank these with your partner. Put the biggest problems of a 1,000-km migration at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Homesickness
- Safety
- Blisters
- Fatigue
- Lack of food
- Lack of water
- Intimidation
- Stress

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|---------------|---|
| 1. embarking | a. The state of being without or not having enough of something. |
| 2. fleeing | b. Beginning a course of action or journey, especially one that is important. |
| 3. battling | c. Fighting or struggling to achieve or resist something. |
| 4. lack | d. Great in scale or nature. |
| 5. exhaustion | e. Expelled a foreigner from a country, typically on the grounds of illegal status or for having committed a crime. |
| 6. epic | f. Running away from a place or situation of danger. |
| 7. deported | g. A state of extreme physical or mental tiredness. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|--------------------|---|
| 8. stick | h. Discourage someone from doing something by making them doubtful or making them fear the consequences. |
| 9. asylum | i. Made a big promise to do a specified thing. |
| 10. zero-tolerance | j. Relating to or characteristic of soldiers or armed forces. |
| 11. deter | k. The refusal to accept anti-social behavior, typically by strict and uncompromising application of the law. |
| 12. outcry | l. A strong expression of public disapproval or anger. |
| 13. military | m. Stay firm to a commitment, belief, or rule. |
| 14. vowed | n. The protection given by a nation to someone who has left their native country as a political refugee. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1810/181026-migrant-caravan.html>

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

- a. Migrants are walking over 7,000km to get to the USA. **T / F**
- b. Migrants are trying to get away from violence in their own countries. **T / F**
- c. A reporter said people had difficulty crossing a river. **T / F**
- d. Many of the migrants have children living in the USA. **T / F**
- e. The USA said the migrants must apply for asylum in Mexico. **T / F**
- f. The US said it will introduce a zero-tolerance policy towards migrants. **T / F**
- g. Donald Trump said Mexican police are successfully stopping the caravan. **T / F**
- h. Donald Trump has cut off foreign aid to Honduras. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH:

Match the following synonyms. The words in **bold** are from the news article.

- | | |
|----------------------|---------------|
| 1. embarking | a. adhere |
| 2. mainly | b. fatigue |
| 3. fleeing | c. anonymous |
| 4. exhaustion | d. escaping |
| 5. deported | e. discourage |
| 6. stick | f. unlawfully |
| 7. deter | g. starting |
| 8. illegally | h. stop |
| 9. unknown | i. expelled |
| 10. cut off | j. largely |

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

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. aiming for the border | a. outcry earlier this year |
| 2. young children are fleeing | b. with their children |
| 3. described the caravan as being | c. to the law |
| 4. recently deported | d. violence |
| 5. They are desperate to be reunited | e. policy towards migrants |
| 6. made it clear that it will stick | f. from the U.S. |
| 7. It will turn | g. with the USA |
| 8. There has been a "zero-tolerance" | h. off foreign aid |
| 9. There was public | i. "a river of people" |
| 10. reduce or cut | j. away all migrants |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1810/181026-migrant-caravan.html>

A caravan of more than 7,000 migrants is (1) _____ on a thousand-kilometre journey through Mexico, aiming for the border with the USA. The migrants are (2) _____ from Honduras and are hoping to find a better life in the U.S. Parents with young children are fleeing (3) _____ and a lack of job opportunities in their home countries. A reporter described the caravan as being "a (4) _____ of people". They are battling hot weather, a (5) _____ of food and exhaustion in their (6) _____ flight. The Washington Post reported that there were many in the caravan who were recently deported from the U.S. after having lived there (7) _____ for decades. They are (8) _____ to be reunited with their children still living in the U.S.

epic
embarking
river
desperate
mainly
illegally
lack
violence

The U.S. government has made it clear that it will (9) _____ to the law regarding any applications for (10) _____. It will turn away all migrants who don't apply for asylum in Mexico first. There has been a "zero-tolerance" (11) _____ towards migrants to deter people from attempting to enter the country illegally. There was public (12) _____ earlier this year after U.S. authorities separated migrant children from their parents at the (13) _____. U.S. President Donald Trump tweeted: "Sadly, it looks like Mexico's police and (14) _____ are unable to stop the caravan (15) _____ to...the United States. Criminals and unknown Middle Easterners are mixed in." He has (16) _____ to reduce or cut off foreign aid to Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador.

outcry
asylum
heading
policy
vowed
border
stick
military

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1810/181026-migrant-caravan.html>

- 1) A caravan of more than 7,000 migrants is embarking on a thousand-_____
 - a. kilometres journey
 - b. kilometric journey
 - c. kilo metered journey
 - d. kilometre journey
- 2) find a better life in the U.S. Parents with young children are _____
 - a. flee in violence
 - b. flea in violence
 - c. freeing violence
 - d. fleeing violence
- 3) A reporter described the caravan as being "a _____"
 - a. river off people
 - b. river of people
 - c. river oft people
 - d. river rough people
- 4) They are battling hot weather, a lack of food and exhaustion _____ flight
 - a. in their epic
 - b. in their biopic
 - c. in their myopic
 - d. in their e-pick
- 5) recently deported from the U.S. after having lived there _____
 - a. illegally for decadence
 - b. illegally for deck aids
 - c. illegally for deck cards
 - d. illegally for decades
- 6) made it clear that it will stick to the law regarding _____
 - a. any application is
 - b. any applications
 - c. any supplications
 - d. any replications
- 7) There has been a "zero-tolerance" policy towards migrants _____
 - a. to defer people
 - b. to demure people
 - c. to litter people
 - d. to deter people
- 8) public outcry earlier this year after U.S. authorities _____ children
 - a. separated migrate
 - b. separated immigrant
 - c. separated migrant
 - d. separated might rant
- 9) Sadly, it looks like Mexico's police and _____ unable to
 - a. militarily are
 - b. mill a tree are
 - c. mill tree are
 - d. military are
- 10) He has vowed to reduce or cut off _____ Guatemala
 - a. foreign paid to
 - b. foreign made to
 - c. foreign jade to
 - d. foreign aid to

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1810/181026-migrant-caravan.html>

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The U.S. government has made it clear that it (7) _____ the law regarding any applications for asylum. It will turn away all migrants who don't (8) _____ in Mexico first. There has been a "zero-tolerance" policy towards migrants to deter people from attempting to enter the country illegally. There (9) _____ earlier this year after U.S. authorities separated migrant children from their parents (10) _____. U.S. President Donald Trump tweeted: "Sadly, it looks like Mexico's police and (11) _____ to stop the caravan heading to...the United States. Criminals and unknown Middle Easterners are mixed in." He has vowed to reduce or cut (12) _____ to Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1810/181026-migrant-caravan.html>

1. How many people are in the migrant caravan?
2. Which country are the migrants largely from?
3. What are the migrants fleeing from a lack of in their home countries?
4. Which newspaper reported about the caravan?
5. Who do some migrants want to be reunited with?
6. What did the USA say it would stick to?
7. What kind of policy does the USA have towards migrants?
8. Who did Donald Trump say were unable to stop the caravan?
9. Who did Donald Trump say was mixed in the caravan?
10. What did Donald Trump say he would cut off?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1810/181026-migrant-caravan.html>

- 1) How many people are in the migrant caravan?
 - a) less than 7,000
 - b) exactly 7,000
 - c) more than 7,000
 - d) around 7,000
- 2) Which country are the migrants largely from?
 - a) Honduras
 - b) Mexico
 - c) Belize
 - d) Panama
- 3) What are the migrants fleeing from a lack of in their home countries?
 - a) equal rights
 - b) job opportunities
 - c) corruption
 - d) water
- 4) Which newspaper reported about the caravan?
 - a) Chicago Tribune
 - b) LA Times
 - c) New York Times
 - d) Washington Post
- 5) Who do some migrants want to be reunited with?
 - a) a lifestyle
 - b) colleagues
 - c) their children
 - d) old friends
- 6) What did the USA say it would stick to?
 - a) applications
 - b) asylum laws
 - c) morals
 - d) IMF regulations
- 7) What kind of policy does the USA have towards migrants?
 - a) a harsh one
 - b) insurance policy
 - c) a fair policy
 - d) zero tolerance
- 8) Who did Donald Trump say were unable to stop the caravan?
 - a) migrants
 - b) Mexican police and military
 - c) international lawyers
 - d) US immigration officers
- 9) Who did Donald Trump say was mixed in the caravan?
 - a) U.S. nationals
 - b) criminals
 - c) reporters
 - d) celebrities
- 10) What did Donald Trump say he would cut off?
 - a) foreign aid
 - b) part of a wall
 - c) his hair
 - d) his words

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Homesickness

You think homesickness is the biggest problem of migrating across countries. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their problems aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the smallest problem of these (and why): lack of food, safety or fatigue.

Role B – Lack of Food

You think a lack of food is the biggest problem of migrating across countries. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their problems aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the smallest problem of these (and why): homesickness, safety or fatigue.

Role C – Safety

You think safety is the biggest problem of migrating across countries. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their problems aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the smallest problem of these (and why): lack of food, homesickness or fatigue.

Role D – Fatigue

You think fatigue is the biggest problem of migrating across countries. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their problems aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the smallest problem of these (and why): lack of food, safety or homesickness.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1810/181026-migrant-caravan.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'migrant' and 'caravan'.

migrant	caravan

- 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:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 7,000• mainly• job• hot• recently• still	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• stick• turn• enter• earlier• unable• cut
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MIGRANTS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1810/181026-migrant-caravan.html>

Write five GOOD questions about migrants 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.

MIGRANTS 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 'migrant'?
3. What do you know about the migrant caravan?
4. What would it be like to be a migrant?
5. What do you think will happen to the migrants at the border?
6. Why are there so many migrants around the world?
7. Should the world have no borders?
8. What issues does your country have with migrants?
9. What three adjectives best describe this story?
10. Should the migrants be reunited with their children in the USA?

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MIGRANTS 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 'caravan'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What do you know about political asylum?
15. What is the difference between economic migrants and asylum seekers?
16. Should there be zero tolerance towards migrants?
17. How do you think this story will end?
18. Do you think "criminals and Middle Easterners" are in the caravan?
19. What do you think of President Trump vowing to cut aid?
20. What questions would you like to ask one of the migrants?

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 U.S. government has made it clear that it will (7) _____ to the law regarding any applications for asylum. It will (8) _____ away all migrants who don't apply for asylum in Mexico first. There has been a "(9) _____-tolerance" policy towards migrants to deter people from attempting to enter the country illegally. There was public (10) _____ earlier this year after U.S. authorities separated migrant children from their parents at the border. U.S. President Donald Trump tweeted: "Sadly, it looks like Mexico's police and (11) _____ are unable to stop the caravan heading to...the United States. Criminals and unknown Middle Easterners are mixed in." He has (12) _____ to reduce or cut off foreign aid to Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador.

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

- | | | | | |
|-----|---------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|
| 1. | (a) embarking | (b) embracing | (c) embarrassing | (d) embankment |
| 2. | (a) manly | (b) mainline | (c) mainly | (d) meantime |
| 3. | (a) feeling | (b) fleeting | (c) fleecing | (d) fleeing |
| 4. | (a) be | (b) being | (c) been | (d) begin |
| 5. | (a) revoked | (b) lambasted | (c) arrived | (d) deported |
| 6. | (a) until | (b) up | (c) with | (d) of |
| 7. | (a) glue | (b) stick | (c) patch | (d) tape |
| 8. | (a) turn | (b) revolve | (c) twist | (d) spin |
| 9. | (a) zero | (b) minus | (c) nil | (d) nothing |
| 10. | (a) insole | (b) uptake | (c) outcry | (d) downside |
| 11. | (a) militia | (b) soldiering | (c) infantry | (d) military |
| 12. | (a) wowed | (b) vowed | (c) bowed | (d) cowed |

SPELLING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1810/181026-migrant-caravan.html>

Paragraph 1

1. embarking on a 1,000-kilometre yjrenuo
2. young children are lgneefi violence
3. a lack of food and oshnaxuiet
4. recently pdeeotdr from the U.S.
5. They are atspredee
6. be deuntrei with their children

Paragraph 2

7. applications for aulyms
8. a "zero-oaceenlrt" policy
9. public roytuc earlier this year
10. Mexico's police and amltyrii
11. imacsiran and unknown Middle Easterners
12. He has oewvd to reduce or cut off foreign aid

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1810/181026-migrant-caravan.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- (**1**) A caravan of more than 7,000 migrants is embarking on a thousand-kilometre journey
- () tweeted: "Sadly, it looks like Mexico's police and military are unable to stop the caravan
- () vowed to reduce or cut off foreign aid to Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador.
- () of people". They are battling hot weather, a lack of food and exhaustion in their epic flight. The Washington Post reported that there were
- () year after U.S. authorities separated migrant children from their parents at the border. U.S. President Donald Trump
- () for decades. They are desperate to be reunited with their children still living in the U.S.
- () of job opportunities in their home countries. A reporter described the caravan as being "a river
- () heading to...the United States. Criminals and unknown Middle Easterners are mixed in." He has
- () deter people from attempting to enter the country illegally. There was public outcry earlier this
- () through Mexico, aiming for the border with the USA. The migrants are mainly from Honduras and are
- () The U.S. government has made it clear that it will stick to the law regarding any applications for asylum. It will turn
- () away all migrants who don't apply for asylum in Mexico first. There has been a "zero-tolerance" policy towards migrants to
- () hoping to find a better life in the U.S. Parents with young children are fleeing violence and a lack
- () many in the caravan who were recently deported from the U.S. after having lived there illegally

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1810/181026-migrant-caravan.html>

1. the better U.S. to Hoping life a find in
2. with young violence . Parents are children fleeing
3. countries . lack A opportunities their in job of
4. in Many the who deported . caravan were recently
5. their reunited to Desperate with be children .
6. regarding law asylum . applications The for any
7. Mexico . Migrants asylum don't who in for apply
8. has zero-tolerance towards a There migrants . been policy
9. their children Authorities from separated migrant parents .
10. cut has to He vowed foreign aid . off

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1810/181026-migrant-caravan.html>

A caravan of more than 7,000 migrants is *embarking / embracing* on a thousand-kilometre journey through Mexico, *aiming / aims* for the border with the USA. The migrants are *main / mainly* from Honduras and are hoping to find a better life in the U.S. Parents with young children are *fleecing / fleeing* violence and a lack of job opportunities in their *home / homing* countries. A reporter described the caravan *as / has* being "a river of people". They are battling hot weather, a *slack / lack* of food and exhaustion in their epic *fight / flight*. The Washington Post reported that there were many in the caravan who were recently *deported / departed* from the U.S. after having lived there illegally for decades. They are *desperation / desperate* to be reunited with their children still living in the U.S.

The U.S. government has made it *clear / clarity* that it will stick to the law regarding any applications *for / from* asylum. It will turn away all migrants who don't apply for asylum in Mexico *firstly / first*. There has been a "zero-tolerance" policy towards migrants to *defer / deter* people from attempting to enter the country *illegally / illegal*. There was public outcry earlier this year after U.S. *authority / authorities* separated migrant children from their parents at the border. U.S. President Donald Trump tweeted: "*Sadly / Sad*, it looks like Mexico's police and military are *inability / unable* to stop the caravan heading to...the United States. Criminals and unknown Middle Easterners are mixed *up / in*." He has *vowed / wowed* to reduce or cut off foreign aid to Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador.

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

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

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A c_r_v_n _f m_r_ th_n 7,000 m_g_r_n_t_s _s_m
b_r_k_n_g _n _ th__ s_n_d - k_l_m_t_r_ j__ r_n_y th
r__ g_h M_x_c_, __ m_n_g f_r th_ b_r_d_r w_t_h t
h_ U_S_A. Th_ m_g_r_n_t_s _r_ m__ nly fr_m H_n
d_r_s _n_d _r_ h_p_n_g t_ f_n_d _ b_t_t_r l_f_ _n_ t
h_ U.S. P_r_n_t_s w_t_h y__ n_g c_h_l_d_r_n _r_ f
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_n th__ r_ h_m_ c__ n_t_r__ s. A r_p_r_t_r d_s_c
r_b_d th_ c_r_v_n _s b__ n_g " _ r_v_r _f p__ p_l_"
. Th_y _r_ b_t_t_l_n_g h_t w__ th_r, _ l_c_k _f
f__ d _n_d _x_h__ s_t__ n _n th__ r_ _p_c_ f_l_g_h_t.
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1810/181026-migrant-caravan.html>

a caravan of more than 7000 migrants is embarking on a thousand kilometre journey through mexico aiming for the border with the usa the migrants are mainly from honduras and are hoping to find a better life in the us parents with young children are fleeing violence and a lack of job opportunities in their home countries a reporter described the caravan as being a river of people they are battling hot weather a lack of food and exhaustion in their epic flight the washington post reported that there were many in the caravan who were recently deported from the us after having lived there illegally for decades they are desperate to be reunited with their children still living in the us

the us government has made it clear that it will stick to the law regarding any applications for asylum it will turn away all migrants who dont apply for asylum in mexico first there has been a zero tolerance policy towards migrants to deter people from attempting to enter the country illegally there was public outcry earlier this year after us authorities separated migrant children from their parents at the border us president donald trump tweeted sadly it looks like mexicos police and military are unable to stop the caravan heading to the united states criminals and unknown middle easterners are mixed in he has vowed to reduce or cut off foreign aid to guatemala honduras and el salvador.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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A caravan of more than 7,000 migrants is embarking on a thousand-kilometre journey through Mexico, aiming for the border with the USA. The migrants are mainly from Honduras and are hoping to find a better life in the U.S. Parents with young children are fleeing violence and a lack of job opportunities in their home countries. A reporter described the caravan as being "a river of people". They are battling hot weather, a lack of food and exhaustion in their epic flight. The Washington Post reported that there were many in the caravan who were recently deported from the U.S. after having lived there illegally for decades. They are desperate to be reunited with their children still living in the U.S. The U.S. government has made it clear that it will stick to the law regarding any applications for asylum. It will turn away all migrants who don't apply for asylum in Mexico first. There has been a "zero-tolerance" policy towards migrants to deter people from attempting to enter the country illegally. There was public outcry earlier this year after U.S. authorities separated migrant children from their parents at the border. U.S. President Donald Trump tweeted: "Sadly, it looks like Mexico's police and military are unable to stop the caravan heading to... the United States. Criminals and unknown Middle Easterners are mixed in." He has vowed to reduce or cut off foreign aid to Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador.

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

4. BORDERS: Write a magazine article about there being no borders in the world. 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 migrants. Ask him/her three questions about them. Give him/her three of your opinions on the migrant caravan on its way to the USA. 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. f 3. c 4. a 5. g 6. d 7. e
8. m 9. n 10. k 11. h 12. l 13. j 14. i

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- a F b T c F d T e T f F g F h F

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

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|---------------|---------------|
| 1. embarking | a. starting |
| 2. mainly | b. largely |
| 3. fleeing | c. escaping |
| 4. exhaustion | d. fatigue |
| 5. deported | e. expelled |
| 6. stick | f. adhere |
| 7. deter | g. discourage |
| 8. illegally | h. unlawfully |
| 9. unknown | i. anonymous |
| 10. cut off | j. stop |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

- Over 7,000
- Honduras
- Job opportunities
- The Washington Match
- Their children
- Asylum laws
- Zero tolerance
- Mexican police and military
- "Criminals and unknown Middle Easterners"
- Foreign aid

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

- Hoping to find a better life in the U.S.
- Parents with young children are fleeing violence.
- A lack of job opportunities in their countries.
- Many in the caravan who were recently deported.
- Desperate to be reunited with their children.
- The law regarding any applications for asylum.
- Migrants who don't apply for asylum in Mexico.
- There has been a zero-tolerance policy towards migrants.
- Authorities separated migrant children from their parents.
- He has vowed to cut off foreign aid.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. c 2. a 3. b 4. d 5. c 6. b 7. d 8. b 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 ;-)