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**Level 0 – 26th February, 2019**

## School children go on strike for climate

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**Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.**

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1902/190226-school-strike-for-climate-0.html>

Children worldwide are going on strike. They are unhappy. Their countries are not fighting climate change. Students are not going to class. They are protesting in the streets and outside governments. The strikes began in August 2018. A Swedish student protested and photos of her went viral on social media. Students are now copying her.

In 2019, there have been strikes in Europe, America and Australia. Students held banners reading, "Why learn without a future?" There is a worldwide strike on March 15. Not everyone supports the students. Australia's leader called for "more learning in schools and less activism". A journalist told students to strike at the weekend.

Sources: <https://edition.cnn.com/2019/02/15/health/uk-climate-strike-students-greta-thunberg-intl/index.html>  
<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2019/feb/15/school-climate-strike-classroom-climate-change>  
<https://www.spectator.co.uk/2019/02/if-children-want-to-protest-against-climate-change-why-not-do-it-at-the-weekend/>

# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1902/190226-school-strike-for-climate-0.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                               |                   |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. fighting climate           | a. in August 2018 |
| 2. Students are not going     | b. protesting     |
| 3. They are                   | c. to class       |
| 4. in the streets and outside | d. media          |
| 5. The strikes began          | e. governments    |
| 6. photos of her went         | f. change         |
| 7. social                     | g. copying her    |
| 8. Students are now           | h. viral          |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                 |                          |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. there have been              | a. on March 15           |
| 2. Students held                | b. less activism         |
| 3. learn without                | c. banners               |
| 4. There is a worldwide strike  | d. to strike             |
| 5. Not everyone                 | e. leader                |
| 6. Australia's                  | f. a future              |
| 7. more learning in schools and | g. strikes in Europe     |
| 8. A journalist told students   | h. supports the students |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1902/190226-school-strike-for-climate-0.html>

Children worldwide (1) \_\_\_\_\_ strike. They are unhappy. Their countries (2) \_\_\_\_\_ climate change. (3) \_\_\_\_\_ going to class. They are protesting in the (4) \_\_\_\_\_ governments. The strikes began in August 2018. A Swedish (5) \_\_\_\_\_ photos of her went viral on social media. Students are (6) \_\_\_\_\_.

In 2019, there have (7) \_\_\_\_\_ Europe, America and Australia. Students (8) \_\_\_\_\_, "Why learn (9) \_\_\_\_\_?" There is a worldwide strike on March 15. Not (10) \_\_\_\_\_ students. Australia's leader called for "more learning in schools (11) \_\_\_\_\_". A journalist told students to strike (12) \_\_\_\_\_.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1902/190226-school-strike-for-climate-0.html>

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# STRIKES SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1902/190226-school-strike-for-climate-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about strikes 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) \_\_\_\_\_

