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Level 0 – 13th February, 2020

Brazil sends security force to fight deforestation

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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/2020/2020213-deforestation-0.html>

Brazil's security forces will fight deforestation in the Amazon.

The world's largest rainforest is losing too many trees. This could increase in 2020. Deforestation in the Amazon doubled in January. The Amazon is called "the lungs" of the planet. It is important in changing CO2 into oxygen.

Police with military training will be in the security force. They find and stop illegal loggers. There was a big increase in illegal logging in 2019. Regional governments must also change. Some are selling forest to developers. This is increasing the speed of deforestation. The governments are not replanting enough trees in the jungle.

Sources: <https://www.reuters.com/article/us-brazil-environment/brazil-authorizes-national-security-force-to-fight-deforestation-idUSKBN2041XI>
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PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2002/200213-deforestation-0.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Brazil's security | a. in the Amazon |
| 2. fight deforestation | b. many trees |
| 3. The world's largest | c. into oxygen |
| 4. losing too | d. 2020 |
| 5. This could increase in | e. forces |
| 6. Deforestation in the Amazon | f. of the planet |
| 7. "the lungs" | g. rainforest |
| 8. changing CO2 | h. doubled in January |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Police with military | a. jungle |
| 2. They find and stop | b. logging |
| 3. a big increase in illegal | c. to developers |
| 4. Regional | d. enough |
| 5. Some are selling the forest | e. illegal loggers |
| 6. increasing the speed | f. training |
| 7. governments are not replanting | g. of deforestation |
| 8. trees in the | h. governments |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2020/202013-deforestation-0.html>

Brazil's security (1) _____ deforestation in the Amazon. The world's largest rainforest (2) _____ many trees. This (3) _____ 2020. Deforestation in the Amazon (4) _____. The Amazon is called (5) _____ the planet. It is important in changing (6) _____.

Police with military training (7) _____ the security force. They (8) _____ illegal loggers. There was a big (9) _____ logging in 2019. Regional governments (10) _____. Some are selling forest to developers. This (11) _____ speed of deforestation. The governments are not replanting (12) _____ the jungle.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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DEFORESTATION SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2002/200213-deforestation-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about deforestation 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) _____

