

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.freematerials.com/sean_banville_lessons.html

Level 6

Pope says World War III pretty much here

16th September, 2014

<http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

Contents

The Article	2	Discussion (Student-Created Qs)	14
Warm-Ups	3	Language Work (Cloze)	15
Before Reading / Listening	4	Spelling	16
While Reading / Listening	5	Put The Text Back Together	17
Match The Sentences And Listen	6	Put The Words In The Right Order	18
Listening Gap Fill	7	Circle The Correct Word	19
Comprehension Questions	8	Insert The Vowels (a, e, i, o, u)	20
Multiple Choice - Quiz	9	Punctuate The Text And Add Capitals	21
Role Play	10	Put A Slash (/) Where The Spaces Are	22
After Reading / Listening	11	Free Writing	23
Student Survey	12	Academic Writing	24
Discussion (20 Questions)	13	Homework	25
		Answers	26

Please try Levels 4 and 5 (they are easier).

Twitter



twitter.com/SeanBanville

Facebook



www.facebook.com/pages/BreakingNewsEnglish/155625444452176

Google +



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

THE ARTICLE

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

Pope Francis has announced that the world is pretty much in the grips of its third world war. The leader of the Roman Catholic Church said the spate of conflicts being fought around the world were effectively a "piecemeal" third world war. Speaking at a World War I memorial in Italy, the Pontiff stated: "War is madness. Even today, after the second failure of another world war, perhaps one can speak of a third war - one fought piecemeal, with crimes, massacres and destruction." He added: "War is irrational. Its only plan is to bring destruction. It seeks to grow by destroying." He said the motives behind countries or groups going to war were "greed, intolerance, the lust for power".

Pope Francis has made a number of repeated appeals for an end to the conflicts around the world. He has focused on those in Gaza, Iraq, Syria, Ukraine and many parts of Africa. Despite his anti-war stance, he has stated the use of force would be legitimate to stop "unjust aggression" by the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria. He called on all people to have a "conversion of heart" and stop putting selfish aims above those of humanity as a whole. Francis compared the pointless loss of life in WWI to what is happening globally today. He said: "For each one of the fallen of this senseless massacre, for all the victims of the mindless wars, in every age, humanity needs to weep, and this is the time to weep."

Sources: <http://uk.reuters.com/article/2014/09/14/uk-pope-war-idUKKBN0H808R20140914>
<http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/world/2014/09/13/pope-urges-world-to-shed-apathy-toward-new-threats/15575343/>
<http://www.gulf-times.com/uk-europe/183/details/408132/pope%3A-current-conflicts-may-amount-to-wwiii>

WARM-UPS

1. WAR: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about war. 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?

pretty much / conflicts / memorial / madness / massacres / destruction / irrational / appeal / anti-war stance / legitimate / humanity / senseless / mindless / victims / weep

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

3. CONFLICTS: What are the causes and how and when will they end? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Causes	How will they end?	When?
Syria			
Iraq			
Ukraine			
Gaza			
Afghanistan			
Somalia			

4. MADNESS: Students A **strongly** believe all war is madness; Students B **strongly** believe there can be just wars. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

5. MOTIVES: Rank these with your partner. Put the biggest motives for war at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- territorial dispute
- religion
- water
- ethnic tensions
- oil
- assassinations
- lust for power
- empire building

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

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

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

- | | |
|--|-------|
| a. The Pope said the war in terror is World War III. | T / F |
| b. The Pope was speaking from an old World War I battlefield. | T / F |
| c. The pope said war was "madness" and "irrational". | T / F |
| d. A "lust for power" was one of the motives the Pope gave for war. | T / F |
| e. The Pope does not condone the use of force against Islamic State. | T / F |
| f. Pope Francis hopes everyone will have a change of heart. | T / F |
| g. Francis compared the suffering of WWII with the suffering of today. | T / F |
| h. The Pope said we need to weep for those who have died in all wars. | T / F |

2. SYNONYM MATCH: Match the following synonyms from the article.

- | | |
|----------------|----------------|
| 1. announced | a. slaughter |
| 2. spate | b. stupid |
| 3. effectively | c. succession |
| 4. massacres | d. hunger |
| 5. lust | e. position |
| 6. appeals | f. declared |
| 7. stance | g. pleas |
| 8. conversion | h. sufferers |
| 9. pointless | i. pretty much |
| 10. victims | j. change |

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

- | | |
|---|---------------------------|
| 1. pretty much in the grips of | a. repeated appeals |
| 2. the spate of | b. going to war |
| 3. crimes, massacres and | c. its third world war |
| 4. the motives behind countries or groups | d. of life |
| 5. greed, intolerance, the lust | e. stance |
| 6. made a number of | f. destruction |
| 7. anti-war | g. wars |
| 8. stop putting selfish aims above those | h. for power |
| 9. pointless loss | i. of humanity as a whole |
| 10. victims of the mindless | j. conflicts being fought |

GAP FILL

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

Pope Francis has announced that the world is (1) _____ much in the grips of its third world war. The leader of the Roman Catholic Church said the (2) _____ of conflicts being fought around the world were effectively a "piecemeal" third world war. Speaking at a World War I (3) _____ in Italy, the Pontiff stated: "War is madness. Even today, after the second (4) _____ of another world war, perhaps one can speak of a third war - one fought piecemeal, with crimes, (5) _____ and destruction." He added: "War is irrational. Its only plan is to bring (6) _____. It seeks to grow by destroying." He said the (7) _____ behind countries or groups going to war were "greed, intolerance, the (8) _____ for power".

spate
destruction
pretty
motives
failure
lust
massacres
memorial

Pope Francis has made a number of repeated (9) _____ for an end to the (10) _____ around the world. He has focused on those in Gaza, Iraq, Syria, Ukraine and many parts of Africa. Despite his anti-war stance, he has stated the use of (11) _____ would be legitimate to stop "(12) _____ aggression" by the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria. He called on all people to have a "conversion of heart" and stop putting (13) _____ aims above those of humanity as a whole. Francis compared the pointless (14) _____ of life in WWI to what is happening globally today. He said: "For each one of the (15) _____ of this senseless massacre, for all the victims of the mindless wars, in every (16) _____, humanity needs to weep, and this is the time to weep."

conflicts
selfish
appeals
fallen
unjust
age
force
loss

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

- 1) pretty much _____ its third world war
 - a. in the gripes of
 - b. in the grips of
 - c. in the clips of
 - d. in the cribs of
- 2) Speaking at a World _____
 - a. War I memorials
 - b. War I memorialise
 - c. War I memorial
 - d. War I memory all
- 3) perhaps one can speak of a third war - _____
 - a. one fought piecemeal
 - b. one fought peace meal
 - c. one fought pieced meal
 - d. one fought peace male
- 4) War is irrational. Its only plan is _____
 - a. to brink destruction
 - b. to bling destruction
 - c. to blink destruction
 - d. to bring destruction
- 5) the motives behind countries or groups going to war were "greed, intolerance, _____"
 - a. the lust for power
 - b. the rust for power
 - c. the must for power
 - d. the just for power
- 6) Pope Francis has made a number of _____
 - a. repeat it appeals
 - b. repetitive appeals
 - c. repeated appeals
 - d. repeating appeals
- 7) he has stated the use of force _____
 - a. would be legitimated
 - b. would be ledge it a mate
 - c. would be legit a mat
 - d. would be legitimate
- 8) He called on all people to have a " _____ "
 - a. converse on of heart
 - b. conversion of heart
 - c. conversing of heart
 - d. conversation of heart
- 9) For each one of the fallen of this _____
 - a. senseless massacres
 - b. sensed less massacre
 - c. sensed less massacres
 - d. senseless massacre
- 10) for all the victims of the mindless wars, _____
 - a. in every ages
 - b. in every age
 - c. in every aged
 - d. in every aging

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

Pope Francis has announced that the world (1) _____ grips of its third world war. The leader of the Roman Catholic Church said the (2) _____ being fought around the world were effectively a "piecemeal" third world war. Speaking at a World (3) _____ Italy, the Pontiff stated: "War is madness. Even today, after the second failure of another world war, perhaps one can speak of a third war - one fought piecemeal, (4) _____ and destruction." He added: "War is irrational. Its only plan is (5) _____. It seeks to grow by destroying." He said the motives behind countries or groups going to war were "greed, intolerance, (6) _____".

Pope Francis has made a number (7) _____ for an end to the conflicts around the world. He has focused on those in Gaza, Iraq, Syria, Ukraine and many parts of Africa. Despite (8) _____, he has stated the use of force would be legitimate to (9) _____ by the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria. He called on all people to have a "conversion of heart" and stop (10) _____ above those of humanity as a whole. Francis compared the pointless loss of life in WWI to what is happening globally today. He said: "For (11) _____ of this senseless massacre, for all the victims of the mindless wars, in every age, (12) _____, and this is the time to weep."

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

1. What did the Pope say the world was in the grips of?

2. Where did the Pope make his announcement?

3. What two adjectives did Pope Francis use to describe war?

4. According to the Pope, how does war grow?

5. What motive for war did the Pope give besides greed and intolerance?

6. What has Francis made a number of?

7. What did he say could be legitimate against the Islamic State?

8. What did he ask people to stop putting above the aims of humanity?

9. What did the Pope compare today's conflicts to?

10. What did the Pope say we needed to do for the fallen?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

1. What did the Pope say the world was in the grips of?
 - a) madness
 - b) a third world war
 - c) panic
 - d) crazy leaders
2. Where did the Pope make his announcement?
 - a) the UN General Assembly
 - b) the Vatican
 - c) on a WWI battlefield
 - d) at a war memorial
3. What two adjectives did Pope Francis use to describe war?
 - a) madness and irrational
 - b) conflicted and failed
 - c) greedy and intolerant
 - d) massacred and destroyed
4. According to the Pope, how does war grow?
 - a) sporadically
 - b) exponentially
 - c) by destroying
 - d) piecemeal
5. What motive for war did the Pope give besides greed and intolerance?
 - a) ethnic tensions
 - b) a lust for power
 - c) oil
 - d) empire building
6. What has Francis made a number of?
 - a) appeals to end conflicts
 - b) mistakes
 - c) visits to war-torn areas
 - d) repetitions
7. What did he say could be legitimate against the Islamic State?
 - a) ideology
 - b) prayer
 - c) the use of force
 - d) stances
8. What did he ask people to stop putting above the aims of humanity?
 - a) selfish aims
 - b) conflict
 - c) hatred
 - d) massacres
9. What did the Pope compare today's conflicts to?
 - a) WWI
 - b) WWII
 - c) the war on terror
 - d) tribal conflicts
10. What did the Pope say we needed to do for the fallen?
 - a) build a memorial
 - b) light candles
 - c) pray
 - d) weep

ROLE PLAY

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

Role A – Iraq

You think the war in Iraq is the biggest problem. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why the war in their countries isn't as bad. Also, tell the others which of these will be resolved soonest (and why): Afghanistan, Ukraine or Syria.

Role B – Afghanistan

You think the war in Afghanistan is the biggest problem. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why the war in their countries isn't as bad. Also, tell the others which of these will be resolved soonest (and why): Iraq, Ukraine or Syria.

Role C – Ukraine

You think the war in Ukraine is the biggest problem. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why the war in their countries isn't as bad. Also, tell the others which of these will be resolved soonest (and why): Afghanistan, Iraq or Syria.

Role D – Syria

You think the war in Syria is the biggest problem. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why the war in their countries isn't as bad. Also, tell the others which of these will be resolved soonest (and why): Afghanistan, Ukraine or Iraq.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

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

war	conflict
------------	-----------------

- 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">• pretty• spate• memorial• failure• plan• motives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• number• stance• force• aims• each• time
--	--

WAR SURVEY

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

Write five GOOD questions about war 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.

WAR DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- a) What did you think when you read the headline?
- b) What springs to mind when you hear the word 'war'?
- c) Do you also think World War III is pretty much here?
- d) What do you think of the Pope's phrase, "War is madness"?
- e) WWI was "the war to end all wars". What went wrong?
- f) Is war a failure of leaders to find a non-violent solution?
- g) Many wars are based on religion. Can religious leaders stop them?
- h) Why are there so many wars nowadays?
- i) Is it too easy for countries to declare war on others?
- j) Are wars a failure of the United Nations?

Pope says World War III pretty much here – 16th September, 2014
More free lessons at www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com

WAR DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- a) Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
- b) Is a leader a war criminal if he/she declares war or invades another country?
- c) Would there be fewer wars if leader's children fought in them?
- d) Will there ever be an end to war?
- e) Are humans naturally aggressive and intolerant?
- f) Is there ever a "just" war?
- g) Will the Pope's words have any effect?
- h) What was the worst war ever?
- i) Will weeping for the fallen change anything?
- j) What questions would you like to ask the Pope?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

Copyright © www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com 2014

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

Pope Francis has announced that the world is pretty much in the (1) _____ of its third world war. The leader of the Roman Catholic Church said the (2) _____ of conflicts being fought around the world were effectively a "piecemeal" third world war. (3) _____ at a World War I memorial in Italy, the Pontiff stated: "War is madness. Even today, after the second failure of another world war, perhaps (4) _____ can speak of a third war - one fought piecemeal, with crimes, massacres and destruction." He added: "War is irrational. Its only plan is to bring destruction. It seeks to grow (5) _____ destroying." He said the motives behind countries or groups going to war were "greed, intolerance, the (6) _____ for power".

Pope Francis has made a number of repeated appeals (7) _____ an end to the conflicts around the world. He has focused on (8) _____ in Gaza, Iraq, Syria, Ukraine and many parts of Africa. Despite his anti-war stance, he has stated the use of force would be legitimate to stop "(9) _____ aggression" by the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria. He called (10) _____ all people to have a "conversion of heart" and stop putting selfish aims above those of humanity as a whole. Francis compared the (11) _____ loss of life in WWI to what is happening globally today. He said: "For each one of the fallen of this senseless massacre, for all the (12) _____ of the mindless wars, in every age, humanity needs to weep, and this is the time to weep."

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

- | | | | | |
|-----|--------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1. | (a) grips | (b) clips | (c) gripes | (d) gripped |
| 2. | (a) spite | (b) spat | (c) spate | (d) spit |
| 3. | (a) Spoke | (b) Spoken | (c) Speaking | (d) Bespoke |
| 4. | (a) only | (b) once | (c) two | (d) one |
| 5. | (a) by | (b) as | (c) in | (d) of |
| 6. | (a) must | (b) lust | (c) just | (d) bust |
| 7. | (a) at | (b) to | (c) with | (d) for |
| 8. | (a) them | (b) those | (c) they | (d) these |
| 9. | (a) justice | (b) justly | (c) unjust | (d) judicial |
| 10. | (a) in | (b) on | (c) of | (d) at |
| 11. | (a) pointing | (b) pointy | (c) pointed | (d) pointless |
| 12. | (a) weapons | (b) victims | (c) ideologies | (d) ceasefires |

SPELLING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

Paragraph 1

1. lytivfecfee a "piecemeal" third world war
2. a World War I arilemmo in Italy
3. after the second lefiaru
4. War is rrnolitaia
5. Its only plan is to bring siotrtdnuec
6. greed, anerloinct, the lust for power

Paragraph 2

7. a number of repeated spalpea
8. the use of force would be egimettali
9. stop "unjust gneraiossg"
10. have a "ovnsenrico of heart"
11. the nilptseso loss of life
12. senseless smaresac

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () "War is irrational. Its only plan is to bring destruction. It seeks to grow by destroying." He said the motives
- () aims above those of humanity as a whole. Francis compared the pointless loss of life in WWI to what is happening
- () behind countries or groups going to war were "greed, intolerance, the lust for power".
- () war stance, he has stated the use of force would be legitimate to stop "unjust aggression" by
- () Roman Catholic Church said the spate of conflicts being fought around the world were effectively a "piecemeal" third
- () world war. Speaking at a World War I memorial in Italy, the Pontiff stated: "War is
- (**1**) Pope Francis has announced that the world is pretty much in the grips of its third world war. The leader of the
- () globally today. He said: "For each one of the fallen of this senseless
- () speak of a third war - one fought piecemeal, with crimes, massacres and destruction." He added:
- () Pope Francis has made a number of repeated appeals for an end to the conflicts around the
- () world. He has focused on those in Gaza, Iraq, Syria, Ukraine and many parts of Africa. Despite his anti-
- () massacre, for all the victims of the mindless wars, in every age, humanity needs to weep, and this is the time to weep."
- () the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria. He called on all people to have a "conversion of heart" and stop putting selfish
- () madness. Even today, after the second failure of another world war, perhaps one can

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

1. spate being the The conflicts around of fought world.

2. second war failure of After another the world.

3. of Perhaps a one third can war speak.

4. to is plan only Its destruction bring.

5. behind groups war motives or to The countries going.

6. conflicts the to end an for appeals repeated of number A.

7. legitimate He has stated the use of force would be.

8. aims above those of humanity as a whole Putting selfish.

9. the fallen of this senseless massacre For each one of.

10. the in mindless victims For every wars of all age , the.

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

Pope Francis has announced that the world is *pretty / petty* much in the grips of its third world war. The leader of the Roman Catholic Church said the *spate / spite* of conflicts being fought around the world were effectively a "piecemeal" third world war. Speaking at a World War I *memorandum / memorial* in Italy, the Pontiff stated: "War is madness. Even today, after the second *failed / failure* of another world war, perhaps *only / one* can speak of a third war - one fought piecemeal, with crimes, *macabre / massacres* and destruction." He added: "War is *irrationally / irrational*. Its only plan is to bring *destruction / destroying*. It seeks to grow by destroying." He said the *motives / motifs* behind countries or groups going to war were "greed, intolerance, the *must / lust* for power".

Pope Francis has made a *numeral / number* of repeated appeals for an end to the conflicts around the world. He has focused *in / on* those in Gaza, Iraq, Syria, Ukraine and many parts of Africa. *Despite / Spite* his anti-war *stints / stance*, he has stated the use of *force / forcing* would be legitimate to stop "unjust aggression" by the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria. He called *in / on* all people to have a "conversion of heart" and stop putting *selfless / selfish* aims above those of humanity as a *whole / wholly*. Francis compared the pointless loss of life in WWI to what is happening globally today. He said: "For each one of the *falls / fallen* of this senseless massacre, for all the victims of the mindless wars, in every age, *humanity / human* needs to weep, and this is the time to weep."

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)

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

P_p_ Fr_nc_s h_s _nn__nc_d th_t th_ w_rld _s pr_tty
m_ch _n th_ gr_ps _f _ts th_rld w_r. Th_ l__d_r
f th R_m_n C_th_l_c Ch_rch s__d th_ sp_t_ _f
c_nfl_cts b__ng f__ght _r__nd th_ w_rld w_r
_ff_ct_v_ly _ "p__c_m__l" th_rld w_r. Sp__k_ng
_t _ W_rld W_r _ m_m_r__l _n _t_ly, th_ P_nt_ff
st_t_d: "W_r _s m_dn_ss. _v_n t_d_y, _ft_r th_ s_c_nd
f__l_r_ _f _n_th_r w_rld w_r, p_rh_ps _n_ c_n sp__k
_f _ th_rld w_r - _n_ f__ght p__c_m__l, w_th cr_m_s,
m_ss_cr_s _nd d_str_ct__n." H_ _dd_d: "W_r _s
_rr_t__n_l. _ts _nly pl_n_s t_ br_ng d_str_ct__n. _t
s__ks t_ gr_w by d_str_y_ng." H_s__d th_ m_t_v_s
b_h_nd c__ntr__s _r gr__ps g__ng t_ w_r w_r "gr__d,
_nt_l_r_nc_, th_ l_st f_r p_w_r".

P_p_ Fr_nc_s h_s m_d_ _n mb_r _f r_p__t_d _pp__ls
f_r _n _nd t_ th_ c_nfl_cts _r__nd th_ w_rld. H_ h_s
f_c_s_d _n th_s _n G_z_, _r_q, Syr__, _kr__n_ _nd
m_ny p_rts _f _fr_c_. D_sp_t_ h_s _nt_-w_r st_nc_, h_
h_s st_t_d th_ _s_ _f f_rc_ w__ld b_ l_g_t_m_t_ t_
st_p "_nj_st_ggr_ss__n" by th_ sl_m_c St_t_ _n_r_q
_nd Syr__. H_ c_ll_d _n _ll p__pl_ t_ h_v_ _
"c_nv_rs__n _f h__rt" _nd st_p p_tt_ng s_lf_sh __ms
_b_v_ th_s_ _f h_m_n_ty _s _ wh_l_. Fr_nc_s
c_mpr_d th_ p__ntl_ss l_ss _f l_f_ _n WW_ t_ wh_t_s
h_pp_n_ng gl_b_lly t_d_y. H_s__d: "F_r __ch _n_ _f
th_ f_ll_n _f th_s s_ns_l_ss m_ss_cr_, f_r _ll th_
v_ct_ms _f th_ m_ndl_ss w_rs, _n _v_ry _g_, h_m_n_ty
n__ds t_ w__p, _nd th_s _s th_ t_m_t_ w__p."

PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

pope francis has announced that the world is pretty much in the grips of its third world war the leader of the roman catholic church said the spate of conflicts being fought around the world were effectively a "piecemeal" third world war speaking at a world war i memorial in italy the pontiff stated "war is madness even today after the second failure of another world war perhaps one can speak of a third war - one fought piecemeal with crimes massacres and destruction" he added "war is irrational its only plan is to bring destruction it seeks to grow by destroying" he said the motives behind countries or groups going to war were "greed intolerance the lust for power"

pope francis has made a number of repeated appeals for an end to the conflicts around the world he has focused on those in gaza iraq syria ukraine and many parts of africa despite his anti-war stance he has stated the use of force would be legitimate to stop "unjust aggression" by the islamic state in iraq and syria he called on all people to have a "conversion of heart" and stop putting selfish aims above those of humanity as a whole francis compared the pointless loss of life in wwi to what is happening globally today he said "for each one of the fallen of this senseless massacre for all the victims of the mindless wars in every age humanity needs to weep and this is the time to weep"

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1409/140916-world-war-three.html>

Pope Francis has announced that the world is pretty much in the grips of its third world war. The leader of the Roman Catholic Church said that a state of conflicts being fought around the world were effectively a "piecemeal" third world war. Speaking at a World War I memorial in Italy, the Pontiff stated: "War is madness. Even today, after the second failure of another world war, perhaps one can speak of a third war - one fought piecemeal, with crimes, massacres and destruction." He added: "War is irrational. Its only plan is to bring destruction. It seeks to grow by destroying." He said the motives behind countries or groups going to war were "greed, intolerance, the lust for power". Pope Francis has made a number of repeated appeals for an end to the conflicts around the world. He has focused on those in Gaza, Iraq, Syria, Ukraine and many parts of Africa. Despite his anti-war stance, he has stated the use of force would be legitimate to stop "unjust aggression" by the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria. He called on all people to have a "conversion of heart" and stop putting selfish aims above those of humanity as a whole. Francis compared the pointless loss of life in WWI to what is happening globally today. He said: "For each one of the fallen of this senseless massacre, for all the victims of the mindless wars, in every age, humanity needs to weep, and this is the time to weep."

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 the Pope's comments. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

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

4. CONFLICTS: Write a magazine article about the current global conflicts. Include imaginary interviews with people who believe they can be ended and with people who believe they can't.

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 conflict. Ask him/her three questions about the current conflicts. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to . Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

TRUE / FALSE (p.4)

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

SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)

- | | |
|----------------|----------------|
| 1. announced | a. declared |
| 2. spate | b. succession |
| 3. effectively | c. pretty much |
| 4. massacres | d. slaughter |
| 5. lust | e. hunger |
| 6. appeals | f. pleas |
| 7. stance | g. position |
| 8. conversion | h. change |
| 9. pointless | i. stupid |
| 10. victims | j. sufferers |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)

1. A third world war
2. At a WWI memorial
3. "Madness" and "irrational"
4. By destroying
5. A lust for power
6. Appeals to end conflicts
7. Force
8. Selfish aims
9. World War I
10. Weep

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)

1. b 2. d 3. a 4. c 5. b 6. a 7. c 8. a 9. a 10. d

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)