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Level 0

UK leaving Europe is bad for science

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

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THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1606/160614-brexite-0.html>

British people will soon choose to stay in or leave the European Union (EU). It is called Brexit. People have strong feelings about leaving and staying. Many scientists say staying is best for British science. One of them said: "Inside the EU, Britain helps [guide] the biggest scientific powerhouse in the world."

Top British scientist Stephen Hawking said Brexit would be, "a disaster for UK science". Britain would get less research money. British scientists would not work as often with European scientists. However, the campaign group Scientists For Britain says Brexit would be better for British science. It would not harm the UK.

Sources: <http://www.bbc.com/news/uk-36505736>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. people will soon | a. for British science |
| 2. People have strong | b. staying |
| 3. leaving and | c. feelings |
| 4. Many | d. powerhouse |
| 5. staying is best | e. choose |
| 6. One of | f. the EU |
| 7. Inside | g. scientists |
| 8. the biggest scientific | h. them |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| 1. Top British | a. science |
| 2. Brexit would be | b. as often |
| 3. get less research | c. the UK |
| 4. British scientists | d. money |
| 5. would not work | e. scientist |
| 6. campaign | f. would |
| 7. better for British | g. a disaster |
| 8. It would not harm | h. group |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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British people will soon (1) _____ in or leave the European Union (EU). It (2) _____. People have (3) _____ about leaving and staying. Many scientists say staying (4) _____ British science. One of them said: "(5) _____, Britain helps [guide] the biggest scientific (6) _____ world."

(7) _____ scientist Stephen Hawking said Brexit would be, "(8) _____ UK science". Britain would (9) _____ money. British scientists would not work (10) _____ European scientists. However, the (11) _____ Scientists For Britain says Brexit would be better for British science. It (12) _____ UK.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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BREXIT SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1606/160614-brexite-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about Brexit 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) _____

