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**Level 5** – 28th February, 2019

## UN in record aid appeal for Yemen

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# THE READING

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The UN has launched an appeal to raise \$4.2 billion to help the humanitarian crisis in Yemen. It is the UN's largest ever appeal. It comes after Yemen has been ravaged by years of war and is near famine. The UN needs the money to help 19 million people in the war-torn nation. Nearly a quarter of a million Yemenis are suffering from malnutrition and are close to starving. Around 80 per cent of Yemenis need urgent humanitarian help and protection. A UN spokesperson said the suffering of people in Yemen has reached a scale not seen in living memory.

The UN has finally got access to food stored at warehouses in the port of Hudaydah. There is enough food there for around 3.7 million people for a month. The port has been inaccessible because of heavy fighting. The UN worried about the food being at risk of rotting. It said government forces and Houthi rebels could withdraw from the city soon. The UN added: "It has really been a horrific year for millions...in Yemen, who are literally balancing on the edge of famine and starvation. They need massive amounts of aid, water, sanitation, and education for their children."

Sources: <https://www.voanews.com/a/un-pledging-conference-seeks-record-4-2-billion-for-yemen-crisis/4801876.html>  
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# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1902/190228-yemen-aid-appeal-5.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                               |                      |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. humanitarian               | a. torn nation       |
| 2. Yemen has been ravaged     | b. in Yemen          |
| 3. in the war-                | c. starving          |
| 4. Yemenis are suffering from | d. in living memory  |
| 5. close to                   | e. by years of war   |
| 6. Yemenis need urgent        | f. crisis            |
| 7. the suffering of people    | g. humanitarian help |
| 8. a scale not seen           | h. malnutrition      |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                             |                          |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. food stored              | a. famine and starvation |
| 2. inaccessible because     | b. at warehouses         |
| 3. food being at risk       | c. and education         |
| 4. rebels could withdraw    | d. of rotting            |
| 5. It has really been a     | e. from the city soon    |
| 6. balancing on the edge of | f. amounts of aid        |
| 7. They need massive        | g. horrific year         |
| 8. water, sanitation,       | h. of heavy fighting     |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The UN has (1) \_\_\_\_\_ to raise \$4.2 billion to help the humanitarian crisis in Yemen. It is the UN's (2) \_\_\_\_\_. It comes after Yemen has been (3) \_\_\_\_\_ of war and is near famine. The UN needs the money to help 19 million people in the war-torn nation. Nearly (4) \_\_\_\_\_ a million Yemenis are suffering from malnutrition and are (5) \_\_\_\_\_. Around 80 per cent of Yemenis need urgent humanitarian help and protection. A UN spokesperson said the suffering of people in Yemen has reached (6) \_\_\_\_\_ seen in living memory.

The UN has finally (7) \_\_\_\_\_ food stored at warehouses in the port of Hudaydah. There is enough food there for around 3.7 million people for a month. The (8) \_\_\_\_\_ is inaccessible because of heavy fighting. The UN worried about the food being at (9) \_\_\_\_\_. It said government forces and Houthi rebels could withdraw from the city soon. The UN added: "It has really (10) \_\_\_\_\_ year for millions...in Yemen, who are literally balancing (11) \_\_\_\_\_ of famine and starvation. They need (12) \_\_\_\_\_ aid, water, sanitation, and education for their children."

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# YEMEN SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1902/190228-yemen-aid-appeal-4.html>

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

