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Anti-vaxxers blamed for 300% rise in measles

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THE ARTICLE

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UNICEF has reported that measles cases worldwide have surged by 300% in the first three months of 2019. UNICEF's report came out on the same day that the USA's Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reported that confirmed measles cases in the U.S. are the highest they've been since the disease was declared eradicated in 2000. UNICEF reported that an estimated 169 million children worldwide have missed out on measles vaccines. It added that 110,000 people (mostly children) died from measles in 2017, up 22 per cent from the year before. UNICEF said: "The measles virus will always find unvaccinated children....We need to vaccinate every child, in rich and poor countries alike."

The CDC blamed the anti-vaxxer (anti-vaccination) movement for a drop in the number of parents vaccinating their children. The anti-vaccination movement began in France in 1763, when doctors believed vaccines were harmful. The anti-vaxxer message is now being widely spread across social media websites. Facebook has vowed to take down anti-vaxxer posts. The CDC blamed the anti-vaxxer movement for the rise in measles cases. It said: "A significant factor contributing to the outbreaks...is misinformation...about the safety of the measles vaccine. Some organizations are deliberately targeting...communities with inaccurate and misleading information about vaccines."

Sources: <https://www.npr.org/2019/04/24/716953746/cdc-reports-largest-u-s-measles-outbreak-since-year-2000>
<https://www.bbc.com/news/health-48039524>
<https://www.marketwatch.com/story/unicef-blames-anti-vaxxers-for-the-300-spike-in-global-measles-outbreaks-2019-04-25>

WARM-UPS

1. MEASLES: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about measles. 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?

measles / worldwide / UNICEF / eradicated / disease / vaccine / virus / children / anti-vaxxer / movement / harmful / message / rise / outbreaks / safety / information

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

3. VACCINES: Students A **strongly** believe everyone should be vaccinated against all diseases; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. DISEASES: What do you know about these diseases? How are they treated? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	What I Know	How It Is Treated
Measles		
Typhoid		
Cholera		
AIDS		
Influenza		
Cancer		

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

6. VIRUSES: Rank these with your partner. Put the worst viruses at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Measles
- Influenza
- Polio
- Yellow fever
- Rabies
- Rotavirus
- Hepatitis
- Shingles

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|---------------|--|
| 1. surged | a. A substance used to stimulate the production of antibodies and protect against one or several diseases. |
| 2. prevention | b. Establish the truth or correctness of something. |
| 3. confirmed | c. The action of stopping something from happening or arising. |
| 4. eradicated | d. Used to show that something applies equally to a number of specified subjects. |
| 5. vaccine | e. Increased suddenly and powerfully. |
| 6. virus | f. Destroyed completely; put an end to. |
| 7. alike | g. A tiny organism that is too small to be seen and causes disease or infection. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|------------------|---|
| 8. movement | h. A fall in amount, quality, or rate. |
| 9. drop | i. A circumstance, fact, or influence that contributes to a result or outcome. |
| 10. vowed | j. Inexact, imprecise, incorrect, wrong. |
| 11. significant | k. Promised to do a specified thing. |
| 12. factor | l. Consciously and intentionally; on purpose. |
| 13. deliberately | m. Sufficiently great or important to be worthy of attention; noteworthy. |
| 14. inaccurate | n. A group of people working together to advance their shared political, social, or artistic ideas. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1904/190429-measles.html>

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

- a. Cases of measles went up by 300% last year. **T / F**
- b. People said measles was eradicated in the USA in 2000. **T / F**
- c. Around 110,000 children died from measles in 2017. **T / F**
- d. UNICEF said the priority is to vaccinate children in poor countries. **T / F**
- e. The anti-vaccination movement began in France in 1763. **T / F**
- f. Facebook said it would remove posts made by anti-vaxxers. **T / F**
- g. The CDC blamed anti-vaxxers for the rise in cases of measles. **T / F**
- h. The CDC said anti-vaxxers always provided correct information. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH:

Match the following synonyms. The words in **bold** are from the news article.

- | | |
|------------------------|------------------|
| 1. worldwide | a. verified |
| 2. first | b. intentionally |
| 3. confirmed | c. accused |
| 4. eradicated | d. initial |
| 5. blamed | e. campaign |
| 6. drop | f. globally |
| 7. movement | g. deceptive |
| 8. vowed | h. fall |
| 9. deliberately | i. promised |
| 10. misleading | j. eliminated |

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

- | | |
|--|---------------------------|
| 1. measles cases worldwide have | a. vaccines |
| 2. the disease was declared | b. alike |
| 3. missed out on measles | c. communities |
| 4. The measles virus will always find | d. eradicated in 2000 |
| 5. in rich and poor countries | e. to the outbreaks |
| 6. a drop in the number of parents vaccinating | f. surged by 300% |
| 7. Facebook has vowed to take | g. misleading information |
| 8. A significant factor contributing | h. down anti-vaxxer posts |
| 9. deliberately targeting | i. unvaccinated children |
| 10. inaccurate and | j. their children |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1904/190429-measles.html>

UNICEF has reported that measles cases worldwide have (1) _____ by 300% in the first three months of 2019. UNICEF's report came (2) _____ on the same day that the USA's Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reported that confirmed measles (3) _____ in the U.S. are the highest they've been since the disease was declared (4) _____ in 2000. UNICEF reported that an estimated 169 million children (5) _____ have missed out on measles vaccines. It added that 110,000 people ((6) _____ children) died from measles in 2017, up 22 per cent from the year before. UNICEF said: "The measles (7) _____ will always find unvaccinated children....We need to (8) _____ every child, in rich and poor countries alike."

eradicated
worldwide
virus
out
vaccinate
surged
cases
mostly

The CDC (9) _____ the anti-vaxxer (anti-vaccination) movement for a (10) _____ in the number of parents vaccinating their children. The anti-vaccination movement began in France in 1763, when doctors believed vaccines were (11) _____. The anti-vaxxer message is now being (12) _____ spread across social media websites. Facebook has vowed to take down anti-vaxxer posts. The CDC blamed the anti-vaxxer movement for the (13) _____ in measles cases. It said: "A significant (14) _____ contributing to the outbreaks...is misinformation...about the (15) _____ of the measles vaccine. Some organizations are deliberately targeting...communities with inaccurate and (16) _____ information about vaccines."

harmful
blamed
misleading
rise
drop
safety
widely
factor

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1904/190429-measles.html>

- 1) UNICEF has reported that measles cases worldwide have _____ 300%
 - a. purged by
 - b. budged by
 - c. aged by
 - d. surged by
- 2) the highest they've been since the disease was declared _____ 2000
 - a. eradicate it in
 - b. eradicated in
 - c. eradicate in
 - d. eradicating in
- 3) an estimated 169 million children worldwide have missed out _____
 - a. measles vaccines
 - b. on measles vaccines
 - c. in measles vaccines
 - d. of measles vaccines
- 4) The measles virus will always find _____
 - a. then vaccinated children
 - b. non-vaccinated children
 - c. up vaccinated children
 - d. unvaccinated children
- 5) We need to vaccinate every child, in rich and poor _____
 - a. countries to like
 - b. countries alike
 - c. countries liked
 - d. countries likely
- 6) The CDC blamed the anti-vaxxer (anti-vaccination) movement for a _____ number
 - a. drops in the
 - b. drop sin the
 - c. drops sin the
 - d. drop in the
- 7) The anti-vaxxer message is now being widely spread across _____ websites
 - a. socially media
 - b. socialist media
 - c. social media
 - d. socialized media
- 8) The CDC blamed the anti-vaxxer movement for the rise in _____
 - a. measles case its
 - b. measles castes
 - c. measles case is
 - d. measles cases
- 9) A significant factor contributing to _____
 - a. the outbreaks
 - b. the updates
 - c. the art takes
 - d. the uptakes
- 10) organizations are deliberately targeting communities with inaccurate and _____
 - a. missed lead information
 - b. miss lead information
 - c. miss leading in form nation
 - d. misleading information

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1904/190429-measles.html>

1. In what months did the cases of measles surge by 300%?
2. When did the USA say measles had been eradicated?
3. How many children have missed out on measles vaccines?
4. When did 110,000 people die from measles?
5. Where did UNICEF say children should be vaccinated?
6. Who did the CDC blame for the drop in children being vaccinated?
7. When did the anti-vaxxer movement begin?
8. Who vowed to remove anti-vaxxer posts from the Internet?
9. What did the CDC say significantly contributed to outbreaks?
10. Who did the CDC say anti-vaxxers were targeting?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1904/190429-measles.html>

- 1) In what months did the cases of measles surge by 300%?
 - a) July and August 2018
 - b) March, April and May 2017
 - c) the first three months of this year
 - d) September to December last year
- 2) When did the USA say measles had been eradicated?
 - a) 2000
 - b) 2001
 - c) 2002
 - d) 2003
- 3) How many children have missed out on measles vaccines?
 - a) 169 million
 - b) 179 million
 - c) 189 million
 - d) 199 million
- 4) When did 110,000 people die from measles?
 - a) 1617
 - b) 2017
 - c) 1917
 - d) 1817
- 5) Where did UNICEF say children should be vaccinated?
 - a) Paraguay
 - b) in Asia
 - c) Lesotho
 - d) rich and poor countries
- 6) Who did the CDC blame for the drop in children being vaccinated?
 - a) governments
 - b) the anti-vaxxer movement
 - c) the WHO
 - d) a scientist
- 7) When did the anti-vaxxer movement begin?
 - a) 1763
 - b) 1673
 - c) 1367
 - d) 1637
- 8) Who vowed to remove anti-vaxxer posts from the Internet?
 - a) the CDC
 - b) Twitter
 - c) Facebook
 - d) governments
- 9) What did the CDC say significantly contributed to outbreaks?
 - a) leaflets
 - b) fake news
 - c) the Internet
 - d) misinformation
- 10) Who did the CDC say anti-vaxxers were targeting?
 - a) communities
 - b) children
 - c) parents
 - d) UNICEF

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Measles

You think measles is the worst virus. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their viruses aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the most-easily curable of these (and why): influenza, rabies or yellow fever.

Role B – Influenza

You think influenza is the worst virus. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their viruses aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the most-easily curable of these (and why): measles, rabies or yellow fever.

Role C – Rabies

You think rabies is the worst virus. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their viruses aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the most-easily curable of these (and why): influenza, measles or yellow fever.

Role D – Yellow Fever

You think yellow fever is the worst virus. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their viruses aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the most-easily curable of these (and why): influenza, rabies or measles.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1904/190429-measles.html>

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

virus	vaccine

- 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">• surged• same• since• 169• 2017• rich	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• drop• 1763• vowed• cases• safety• targeting
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MEASLES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about measles 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.

MEASLES DISCUSSION

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

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'virus'?
3. What do you know about measles?
4. What do you think has caused the surge in measles cases?
5. How do you think measles reappeared after it was eradicated?
6. What vaccinations have you had?
7. What would the world be like without vaccinations?
8. How worried are you about viruses?
9. How can we eradicate all disease?
10. What do you know about UNICEF?

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MEASLES DISCUSSION

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

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'vaccine'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What do you know about vaccinations?
15. What do you know about the anti-vaxxer movement?
16. What do you think about the anti-vaxxer movement?
17. Is Facebook right to remove anti-vaxxer posts?
18. Who do we believe about measles?
19. What does measles do to someone's body?
20. What questions would you like to ask UNICEF?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

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

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

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

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

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

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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The CDC blamed the anti-vaxxer (anti-vaccination) movement for a (7) _____ in the number of parents vaccinating their children. The anti-vaccination movement began in France in 1763, when doctors believed vaccines were (8) _____. The anti-vaxxer message is now being (9) _____ spread across social media websites. Facebook has vowed to take down anti-vaxxer posts. The CDC (10) _____ the anti-vaxxer movement for the rise in measles cases. It said: "A significant factor contributing to the outbreaks...is misinformation...about the (11) _____ of the measles vaccine. Some organizations are (12) _____ targeting...communities with inaccurate and misleading information about vaccines."

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

- | | | | | |
|-----|----------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) causes | (b) cases | (c) castes | (d) casts |
| 2. | (a) on | (b) out | (c) to | (d) here |
| 3. | (a) affirmed | (b) farmed | (c) formed | (d) confirmed |
| 4. | (a) desiccated | (b) eradicated | (c) contradicted | (d) dedicated |
| 5. | (a) through | (b) out | (c) over | (d) under |
| 6. | (a) likely | (b) liking | (c) alike | (d) likes |
| 7. | (a) drip | (b) collapse | (c) drop | (d) blob |
| 8. | (a) harm | (b) harmed | (c) harmful | (d) harms |
| 9. | (a) narrowly | (b) deeply | (c) longingly | (d) widely |
| 10. | (a) banned | (b) blamed | (c) burned | (d) binned |
| 11. | (a) safety | (b) safe | (c) safer | (d) save |
| 12. | (a) debating | (b) debilitating | (c) deliberately | (d) dabbling |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. rusged by 300%
2. onicmrfed measles cases
3. since the disease was cdalered
4. adciearetd in 2000
5. an tmisaetd 169 million children
6. iccvnaate every child

Paragraph 2

7. The CDC lmabed the anti-vaxxer movement
8. idewly spread across social media
9. ovewd to take down anti-vaxxer posts
10. contributing to the trbueokas
11. lbeaeritedly targeting communities
12. ncirucaate and misleading

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1904/190429-measles.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () in measles cases. It said: "A significant factor contributing to the outbreaks...is
- () months of 2019. UNICEF's report came out on the same day that the USA's Centers for Disease
- () Control and Prevention (CDC) reported that confirmed measles cases in the U.S. are the highest they've been
- () worldwide have missed out on measles vaccines. It added that 110,000 people (mostly children) died from
- () websites. Facebook has vowed to take down anti-vaxxer posts. The CDC blamed the anti-vaxxer movement for the rise
- () measles in 2017, up 22 per cent from the year before. UNICEF said: "The measles virus will always find unvaccinated
- () children....We need to vaccinate every child, in rich and poor countries alike."
- () The CDC blamed the anti-vaxxer (anti-vaccination) movement for a drop in the number of parents vaccinating
- () their children. The anti-vaccination movement began in France in 1763, when doctors believed vaccines were
- () since the disease was declared eradicated in 2000. UNICEF reported that an estimated 169 million children
- () misinformation...about the safety of the measles vaccine. Some organizations are deliberately
- () harmful. The anti-vaxxer message is now being widely spread across social media
- () targeting...communities with inaccurate and misleading information about vaccines."
- (**1**) UNICEF has reported that measles cases worldwide have surged by 300% in the first three

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1904/190429-measles.html>

1. surged have worldwide by Measles 300 percent. cases
2. on the day. out report came UNICEF's same
3. eradicated the 2000. Since in declared disease was
4. 110,000 that measles. added died from It people
5. virus always The will find measles unvaccinated children.
6. parents of number vaccinating The their children.
7. being spread Now social across widely media websites.
8. contributing factor significant to A the outbreaks.
9. about safety Misinformation the of the measles vaccine.
10. with communities Deliberately inaccurate targeting misleading and information.

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1904/190429-measles.html>

UNICEF has reported that measles cases worldwide *have / has* surged by 300% in the first three months of 2019. UNICEF's report came out on the same day *that / what* the USA's Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reported that *confirmed / confirmation* measles cases in the U.S. are the highest they've been *for / since* the disease was declared *eradicated / educated* in 2000. UNICEF reported that an *estimate / estimated* 169 million children worldwide have missed out *in / on* measles vaccines. It *added / addition* that 110,000 people (mostly children) died from measles in 2017, up 22 per cent from the year before. UNICEF said: "The measles virus will always find unvaccinated children....We need to vaccinate *all / every* child, in rich and poor countries *likely / alike*."

The CDC *blamed / blaming* the anti-vaxxer (anti-vaccination) movement for a *droop / drop* in the number of parents vaccinating their children. The anti-vaccination movement began in France in 1763, when doctors *belief / believed* vaccines were harmful. The anti-vaxxer *messages / message* is now being *widely / width* spread across social media websites. Facebook has vowed to take *up / down* anti-vaxxer posts. The CDC blamed the anti-vaxxer movement for the *rise / rose* in measles cases. It said: "A significant factor contributing to the outbreaks...is misinformation...about the *safe / safety* of the measles vaccine. Some organizations are *deliberate / deliberately* targeting...*communities / community* with inaccurate and misleading information about vaccines."

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)

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the cdc blamed the antivaxxer antivaccination movement for a drop in the number of parents vaccinating their children the antivaccination movement began in france in 1763 when doctors believed vaccines were harmful the antivaxxer message is now being widely spread across social media websites facebook has vowed to take down antivaxxer posts the cdc blamed the antivaxxer movement for the rise in measles cases it said a significant factor contributing to the outbreaks is misinformation about the safety of the measles vaccine some organizations are deliberately targeting communities with inaccurate and misleading information about vaccines

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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 this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

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

4. VACCINATIONS: Write a magazine article about vaccinations for everyone. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

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 measles. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to eradicate measles. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. e 2. c 3. b 4. f 5. a 6. g 7. d
8. n 9. h 10. k 11. m 12. i 13. l 14. j

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

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

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

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|-----------------|------------------|
| 1. worldwide | a. globally |
| 2. first | b. initial |
| 3. confirmed | c. verified |
| 4. eradicated | d. eliminated |
| 5. blamed | e. accused |
| 6. drop | f. fall |
| 7. movement | g. campaign |
| 8. vowed | h. promised |
| 9. deliberately | i. intentionally |
| 10. misleading | j. deceptive |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. The first three months of this year
2. 2000
3. 169 million
4. 2017
5. Rich and poor countries
6. The anti-vaxxer movement
7. 1763
8. Facebook
9. Misinformation
10. Communities

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

1. Measles cases worldwide have surged by 300 percent.
2. UNICEF's report came out on the same day.
3. Since the disease was declared eradicated in 2000.
4. It added that 110,000 people died from measles.
5. The measles virus will always find unvaccinated children.
6. The number of parents vaccinating their children.
7. Now being widely spread across social media websites.
8. A significant factor contributing to the outbreaks.
9. Misinformation about the safety of the measles vaccine.
10. Deliberately targeting communities with inaccurate and misleading information.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

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

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

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