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Level 4 – 18th October, 2019

Turkey rejects calls for ceasefire in Syria

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Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Donald Trump has asked Turkey's President Erdogan to end military actions in Syria. Turkey attacked towns in northern Syria last week after the USA pulled out some troops. Turkey attacked Kurdish fighters to create a buffer on its border. Mr Trump called for a ceasefire and for talks with the Kurds. The US asked Turkey to stop the invasion, and to "begin to negotiate with Kurdish forces in Syria to bring an end to the violence".

Turkey said it would continue its actions in Syria, despite calls from around the world to stop. Mr Erdogan said: "We will never declare a ceasefire....The US is announcing sanctions....We are not worried about sanctions." He added: "The world missed its opportunity to prevent...pulling an entire region into a maelstrom of instability." He said the whole world should support Turkey. Mr Trump said: "It is not our problem. It is time for us to go home."

Sources: <https://news.sky.com/story/us-demands-syria-ceasefire-as-it-announces-sanctions-against-turkey-11835978>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. end military | a. with Kurdish forces |
| 2. Turkey attacked towns | b. on its border |
| 3. the USA pulled out | c. to the violence |
| 4. create a buffer | d. in northern Syria |
| 5. Mr Trump called for a | e. the invasion |
| 6. asked Turkey to stop | f. some troops |
| 7. negotiate | g. actions in Syria |
| 8. bring an end | h. ceasefire |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Turkey said it would | a. support Turkey |
| 2. We will never declare | b. opportunity |
| 3. The US is announcing | c. us to go home |
| 4. The world missed its | d. a ceasefire |
| 5. an entire | e. sanctions |
| 6. a maelstrom of | f. region |
| 7. the whole world should | g. continue its actions |
| 8. It is time for | h. instability |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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(1) _____ actions in Syria. Turkey (2) _____

northern Syria last week after the USA pulled (3) _____.

Turkey attacked Kurdish fighters to (4) _____ on its border.

Mr Trump called for (5) _____ for talks with the Kurds. The

US asked Turkey to stop the invasion, and to "begin to negotiate with

Kurdish forces in Syria to (6) _____ to the violence".

Turkey said it would (7) _____ in Syria, despite calls from

around the (8) _____. Mr Erdogan said: "We will never

declare a ceasefire....The US (9) _____....We are not

worried about sanctions." He added: "The world (10) _____

to prevent...pulling an entire region (11) _____ of

instability." He said the whole world should support Turkey. Mr Trump said:

"It is not our problem. It is (12) _____ to go home."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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CEASEFIRES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about ceasefires 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) _____

