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## **Level 1**

### **London bomber buys bomb parts from Amazon**

**25th September, 2017**

<http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1709/170925-parsons-green-bomb-1.html>

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**Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.**

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# THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1709/170925-parsons-green-bomb-1.html>

Police said a man who bombed a London subway train bought the parts online. Police think an 18-year-old refugee left the bomb on a packed commuter train during the rush hour. It exploded at Parsons Green station at 8.20am. About 30 passengers had burns to their face and body. Police said the bomb didn't work properly and that more people could have been hurt. The bomb had knives, screws, glass and other dangerous things inside it.

The bomber bought many of the ingredients from Amazon. One ingredient was an explosive called TATP. It is called "Mother of Satan" because of its power. Police said the bomber wanted "maximum destruction". Reporters were shocked that Amazon's site directed visitors to other things that could make bombs. Amazon said it would stop this happening. It is reviewing its website to make sure its products are presented in a better way.

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# PHRASE MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1709/170925-parsons-green-bomb-1.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                                  |                     |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. a man who bombed a London     | a. hour             |
| 2. bought the parts              | b. have been hurt   |
| 3. on a packed commuter          | c. subway train     |
| 4. during the rush               | d. dangerous things |
| 5. About 30 passengers had burns | e. train            |
| 6. the bomb didn't work          | f. to their face    |
| 7. more people could             | g. online           |
| 8. screws, glass and other       | h. properly         |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                     |                       |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. The bomber bought many           | a. of its power       |
| 2. One ingredient was an explosive  | b. make sure          |
| 3. called "Mother of Satan" because | c. destruction        |
| 4. the bomber wanted maximum        | d. in a better way    |
| 5. other things that                | e. called TATP        |
| 6. Amazon said it would stop        | f. could make bombs   |
| 7. It is reviewing its website to   | g. of the ingredients |
| 8. its products are presented       | h. this happening     |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The bomber bought (7) \_\_\_\_\_ ingredients from Amazon. One ingredient (8) \_\_\_\_\_ called TATP. It is called "Mother of Satan" because of its power. Police said the bomber wanted "(9) \_\_\_\_\_". Reporters were shocked that Amazon's site directed visitors (10) \_\_\_\_\_ that could make bombs. Amazon said it would stop this happening. (11) \_\_\_\_\_ its website to make sure its products are presented (12) \_\_\_\_\_ way.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# SUBWAY TRAINS SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1709/170925-parsons-green-bomb-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about subway trains 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) \_\_\_\_\_

