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Level 1 – 24th June, 2020

Air bridges open to allow more people to travel

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

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200624-air-bridges-1.html>

The word "air bridge" has a new meaning. An old meaning is the walkway that joins an airport to an airplane. Now, it also means a way for people to travel safely in the coronavirus pandemic. It is also called a "travel bubble". Countries that feel safe in the coronavirus are making air bridges. The U.K. will have air bridges with other countries. People travelling between these countries will not need to quarantine.

Travellers to the UK must give the government their contact and travel details and where they will quarantine. Anyone who breaks the 14-day quarantine will get a fine. The UK wants to open its economy to people from other countries. It wants to allow visitors from France, Greece, Portugal and Spain. A newspaper said these countries are "most advantageous" to the UK economy. The UK is also thinking about an air bridge with Australia.

Sources: <https://www.reuters.com/article/us-health-coronavirus-britain-bridges/uk-pm-to-announce-deals-for-air-bridges-with-few-countries-on-june-29-telegraph-idUSKBN23P3MO>
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PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200624-air-bridges-1.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. The word "air bridge" has | a. these countries |
| 2. is the walkway that joins | b. safely |
| 3. a way for people to travel | c. "travel bubble" |
| 4. the coronavirus | d. air bridges |
| 5. It is also called a | e. a new meaning |
| 6. Countries that feel | f. pandemic |
| 7. making | g. an airport |
| 8. travelling between | h. safe |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Travellers to | a. day quarantine |
| 2. contact and travel | b. to the UK economy |
| 3. where they will | c. to people |
| 4. Anyone who breaks the 14- | d. about an air bridge |
| 5. open its economy | e. quarantine |
| 6. allow visitors | f. the UK |
| 7. most advantageous" | g. details |
| 8. The UK is also thinking | h. from France |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200624-air-bridges-1.html>

The word "air bridge" (1) _____ meaning. An old meaning is the walkway (2) _____ airport to an airplane. Now, it also means (3) _____ people to travel safely in the coronavirus pandemic. It (4) _____ a "travel bubble". Countries that feel safe in the coronavirus (5) _____ bridges. The U.K. will have air bridges with other countries. People travelling between these countries will (6) _____ quarantine.

Travellers to the UK (7) _____ government their contact and travel details (8) _____ will quarantine. Anyone who breaks the 14-day quarantine will get a fine. The UK wants (9) _____ economy to people from other countries. It (10) _____ visitors from France, Greece, Portugal and Spain. A newspaper said (11) _____ "most advantageous" to the UK economy. The UK is also (12) _____ air bridge with Australia.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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AIR BRIDGES SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200624-air-bridges-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about air bridges 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) _____

WRITING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200624-air-bridges-1.html>

Write about **air bridges** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
