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Level 0 – 22nd September

Afghan mothers' names allowed on birth certificates

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Women in Afghanistan have one more right. The names of mothers can be put on their children's birth certificates. Before, only the father's name was allowed. Campaigners started a social media campaign for this in 2017. In Afghanistan, a woman's name is often not included on wedding invitations.

Afghanistan said the law was "a big step forward for women's rights". A campaigner said a mother can now put her child in school and travel, without a man being there. Another campaigner said her happiness may seem strange for women in other countries, but getting this right was a big thing.

Sources: <https://womensagenda.com.au/latest/mothers-in-afghanistan-can-now-have-their-names-included-on-their-childrens-birth-certificates/>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Women in | a. invitations |
| 2. have one more | b. mothers |
| 3. The names of | c. campaign |
| 4. put on their children's | d. included |
| 5. only the father's name | e. birth certificates |
| 6. started a social media | f. Afghanistan |
| 7. a woman's name is often not | g. was allowed |
| 8. wedding | h. right |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. the law was a big step | a. in school |
| 2. women's | b. forward |
| 3. A campaigner said a | c. countries |
| 4. put her child | d. mother can |
| 5. travel without a | e. strange |
| 6. her happiness may seem | f. rights |
| 7. women in other | g. thing |
| 8. getting this right was a big | h. man being there |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Women in Afghanistan (1) _____ right. The names of mothers can (2) _____ their children's birth certificates. Before, (3) _____ name was allowed. Campaigners (4) _____ media campaign for (5) _____. In Afghanistan, a woman's name is often (6) _____ wedding invitations.

Afghanistan said the law was "a (7) _____ for women's rights". (8) _____ a mother (9) _____ her child in school and travel, without a (10) _____. Another campaigner said her happiness may seem strange for women (11) _____, but getting this right was (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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BIRTH CERTIFICATES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about birth certificates 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

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Write about **birth certificates** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
