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Level 4 – 31st January, 2022

US general says invasion of Ukraine would be 'horrific'

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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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A US general warned of "horrific" consequences of armed conflict in Ukraine. He said any Russian action could result in many deaths. He said Russian troops being on Ukraine's border was worrying. He said: "This is larger in scale...than anything we have seen in recent memory....You'd have to go back...to the Cold War days to see something of this magnitude." Russia says it has no plans to invade. It says US support for Ukraine is the biggest threat.

Russia said the USA and NATO were the aggressors. It said NATO forces should not be so close to Russia's borders. Moscow called for Ukraine to be banned from joining NATO. NATO said Ukraine could choose its own allies. Russia said NATO should end any military activity in Eastern Europe. It called for NATO not to deploy missiles near Russia. Ukraine's president accused the West of creating "panic" over a possible invasion.

Sources: <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-60177929>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. horrific | a. the biggest threat |
| 2. Russian troops being on | b. memory |
| 3. This is larger | c. magnitude |
| 4. anything we have seen in recent | d. Ukraine's border |
| 5. back to the | e. to invade |
| 6. see something of this | f. consequences |
| 7. Russia says it has no plans | g. in scale |
| 8. US support for Ukraine is | h. Cold War days |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. the USA and NATO were | a. borders |
| 2. NATO forces should | b. invasion |
| 3. Russia's | c. its own allies |
| 4. Moscow called for Ukraine to | d. the aggressors |
| 5. Ukraine could choose | e. of creating "panic" |
| 6. deploy | f. be banned |
| 7. accused the West | g. missiles |
| 8. a possible | h. not be so close |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A US general (1) _____ consequences of armed conflict in Ukraine. He said any Russian (2) _____ in many deaths. He said Russian (3) _____ Ukraine's border was worrying. He said: "This is (4) _____...than anything we have seen in recent memory....You'd have to go back...to the Cold War days to see something (5) _____." Russia says it has no plans to invade. It says US support for Ukraine is (6) _____.

Russia said the USA and NATO (7) _____. It said NATO forces should not (8) _____ to Russia's borders. Moscow called for Ukraine (9) _____ from joining NATO. NATO said Ukraine could choose (10) _____. Russia said NATO should end any military activity in Eastern Europe. It called for NATO not to (11) _____ Russia. Ukraine's president accused the West of creating "panic" over (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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UKRAINE SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Ukraine 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) _____

