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Bill Gates wants to reduce methane from cow burps

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THE READING

Cars and factories create lots of greenhouse gas. Cows, deer and goats also create gasses. A lot of the world's methane comes from farm animals. Methane is the second most common greenhouse gas. Billionaire Bill Gates wants to cut methane from farm animals. He put money into a technology start-up called Rumin8. It has created a seaweed-based supplement. It says this will reduce the methane in animals' burps.

Bill Gates started Microsoft. He puts a lot of money into environmental projects. He thinks farming animals less will help climate change. A third of all greenhouse gas emissions is from farming animals. Mr Gates' spokesperson said: "Rumin8 offers a low-cost toolbox that [is] effective in reducing emissions." He added that his team would work closely with Rumin8. They will help farmers all over the world.

PHRASE MATCHING

PARAGRAPH ONE:

1.	Cars and	a.	greenhouse gas
2.	A lot of the world's	b.	based supplement
3.	farm	c.	factories
4.	the second most common	d.	in animals' burps
5.	cut methane	e.	animals
6.	a technology start-	f.	methane
7.	a seaweed-	g.	up called Rumin8
8.	reduce the methane	h.	from farm animals

PARAGRAPH TWO:

1.	environmental	a.	change
2.	farming animals	b.	closely with Rumin8
3.	help climate	c.	cost toolbox
4.	A third	d.	over the world
5.	Rumin8 offers a low-	e.	of all greenhouse gas
6.	effective in reducing	f.	projects
7.	his team would work	g.	emissions
8.	They will help farmers all	h.	less

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

Cars and factories (1) _____ greenhouse gas. Cows, deer and goats (2) _____. A lot of the world's methane comes from farm animals. Methane is the (3) _____ greenhouse gas. Billionaire Bill Gates wants to cut methane from farm animals. He (4) _____ a technology start-up called Rumin8. It (5) _____ seaweed-based supplement. It says this will reduce the methane (6) _____.

Bill Gates started Microsoft. He (7) _____ of money into environmental projects. He thinks farming animals (8) _____ climate change. A third of all greenhouse gas (9) _____ farming animals. Mr Gates' spokesperson said: "Rumin8 offers (10) _____ that [is] effective (11) _____." He added that his team would work closely with Rumin8. They (12) _____ all over the world.

PUT A SLASH (/)WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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METHANE EMISSIONS SURVEY

Write five GOOD questions about methane emissions 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

Write about **methane emissions** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.

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