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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2005/200511-artwork.html>

Police from around the world have worked together to find lots of missing art. The detectives were from Interpol, Europol and many national police forces. The World Customs Organization also helped with the search. The police officers found more than 19,000 items of artwork. These include an ancient Colombian gold mask that is over 600 years old. There was also a carved Roman lion, centuries-old jewellery, and thousands of ancient coins. Many of the items the police recovered were stolen from museums and archaeological sites. A lot of them were taken from countries at war. The thieves took cultural treasures while countries were in a mess because of fighting civil wars or wars against other countries.

The police arrested 101 art traffickers around the world. The art thieves were from Spain, Colombia, Latvia, Afghanistan and Turkey. Interpol said they spent a long time monitoring online marketplaces to find the art and the thieves. Interpol's secretary-general Jürgen Stock spoke to journalists about how big the operation was. He said: "The number of arrests and objects shows the scale and global reach of the illicit trade in cultural artefacts, where every country with a rich heritage is a potential target." Interpol added: "Organised crime has many faces. The trafficking of cultural goods is one of them. It is not a glamorous business run by flamboyant gentlemen forgers, but by international criminal networks."

Sources: <https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/may/07/stolen-artefacts-international-art-trafficking-crackdown>
<https://edition.cnn.com/style/article/interpol-crackdown-artifacts/index.html>
<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/smart-news/19000-artifacts-recovered-international-antiquities-trafficking-sting-1-180974836/>

WARM-UPS

1. ARTWORK: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about artwork. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

police / art / detectives / gold / mask / ancient / coins / museum / civil war / countries
traffickers / thieves / online / arrests / heritage / target / organised crime / networks

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. CREATING: Students A **strongly** believe we should all look at and creating art; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. ART FORMS: What do you think of these art forms? What is good and bad them? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	What You Think	Good	Bad
Painting			
Sculpture			
Photography			
Graffiti			
Dance			
Architecture			

5. DETECTIVE: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "detective". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. ART: Rank these with your partner. Put the best kinds of art at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Impressionism
- Cubism
- Graffiti
- Manga
- Computer graphics
- Pop art
- Renaissance
- Cave paintings

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|--------------|--|
| 1. missing | a. An organized group of soldiers, police or working people. |
| 2. detective | b. Not able to be found because it is not in its expected place. |
| 3. force | c. Very, very old. |
| 4. ancient | d. Made something by cutting into a hard material. |
| 5. carved | e. A person, especially a police officer, whose job is to look into crimes. |
| 6. jewellery | f. A war between people of the same country. |
| 7. civil war | g. Personal things like necklaces, rings, or bracelets, that are usually made from or contain diamonds, etc. and gold or silver. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|----------------|--|
| 8. arrested | h. A person who buys and sells something illegal. |
| 9. trafficker | i. Forbidden by law, rules, or customs. |
| 10. monitoring | j. Taken by the police for doing something wrong. |
| 11. scale | k. Looking at and checking the progress or quality of something over a period of time. |
| 12. illicit | l. Important things such as historic buildings and cultural traditions that are from the past. |
| 13. heritage | m. The size or importance of something. |
| 14. glamorous | n. Exciting and attractive. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2005/200511-artwork.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. Police all over the world worked together to find missing artworks. **T / F**
- b. Police found a gold mask that was 6,000 years old. **T / F**
- c. The artwork included many very, very old coins. **T / F**
- d. Thieves steal art from countries that are in a civil war. **T / F**
- e. The police arrested over 100 art traffickers. **T / F**
- f. The police checked online marketplaces to catch the thieves. **T / F**
- g. Interpol said any country with a rich heritage is a target for the thieves. **T / F**
- h. Interpol said art trafficking is a glamorous business. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- | | |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| 1. find | a. very old |
| 2. helped | b. possible |
| 3. items | c. checking |
| 4. ancient | d. assisted |
| 5. treasures | e. reporters |
| 6. monitoring | f. pieces |
| 7. journalists | g. illegal |
| 8. illicit | h. locate |
| 9. potential | i. attractive |
| 10. glamorous | j. riches |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|---|--------------------------|
| 1. worked together to find lots | a. marketplaces |
| 2. many national police | b. than 19,000 items |
| 3. police officers found more | c. wars |
| 4. These include an ancient Colombian | d. traffickers |
| 5. fighting civil | e. networks |
| 6. The police arrested 101 art | f. forces |
| 7. they spent a long time monitoring online | g. a potential target |
| 8. illicit trade | h. gold mask |
| 9. every country with a rich heritage is | i. in cultural artefacts |
| 10. international criminal | j. of missing art |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2005/200511-artwork.html>

Police from around the world have worked together to find lots of (1) _____ art. The detectives were from Interpol, Europol and many national police forces. The World Customs Organization also helped with the (2) _____. The police officers found more than 19,000 items of artwork. These include an (3) _____ Colombian gold mask that is over 600 years old. There was also a (4) _____ Roman lion, centuries-old jewellery, and thousands of ancient (5) _____. Many of the items the police recovered were stolen from museums and archaeological (6) _____. A lot of them were taken from countries at (7) _____. The thieves took cultural treasures while countries were in a (8) _____ because of fighting civil wars or wars against other countries.

sites
search
carved
mess
missing
war
coins
ancient

The police arrested 101 art (9) _____ around the world. The art thieves were from Spain, Colombia, Latvia, Afghanistan and Turkey. Interpol said they spent a long time (10) _____ online marketplaces to find the art and the thieves. Interpol's secretary-general Jürgen Stock spoke to journalists about how big the (11) _____ was. He said: "The number of arrests and objects shows the scale and (12) _____ reach of the illicit trade in cultural artefacts, where every country with a rich heritage is a (13) _____ target." Interpol added: "Organised crime has many (14) _____. The trafficking of cultural goods is one of them. It is not a (15) _____ business run by flamboyant gentlemen forgers, but by international criminal (16) _____."

potential
operation
glamorous
traffickers
global
networks
monitoring
faces

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2005/200511-artwork.html>

- 1) Police from around the world have worked together to find lots _____
 - a. of miss in art
 - b. of miss inert
 - c. of miss sin art
 - d. of missing art
- 2) Colombian gold mask that is over 600 years old. There was also a _____
 - a. craved Roman lion
 - b. carved Roman lion
 - c. curbed Roman lion
 - d. carved Roman lion
- 3) There was also a carved Roman lion, centuries-old jewellery, and thousands _____
 - a. of any sent coins
 - b. of ancient coins
 - c. off ancient coins
 - d. off any sent coins
- 4) items the police recovered were stolen from museums and _____
 - a. arch logical sites
 - b. are key logical sites
 - c. are key illogical sites
 - d. archaeological sites
- 5) cultural treasures while countries were in a mess because of _____
 - a. fight tin civil wars
 - b. fight in civil wars
 - c. fight thing civil wars
 - d. fighting civil wars
- 6) The police arrested 101 art traffickers around the world. The art _____...
 - a. thief swerve from
 - b. thief swore from
 - c. thieves wore from
 - d. thieves were from
- 7) Jürgen Stock spoke to journalists about how big _____
 - a. the operations was
 - b. the operate shun was
 - c. the opera shun was
 - d. the operation was
- 8) The number of arrests and objects shows the scale _____
 - a. end global reach
 - b. land global reach
 - c. land globe all reach
 - d. and global reach
- 9) the illicit trade in cultural artefacts, where every country with _____
 - a. a rich hermitage
 - b. a rich her it is
 - c. a rich heritage
 - d. a rich heritages
- 10) The trafficking of cultural goods is one of them. It is not _____
 - a. a glam amorous business
 - b. a glamour rice business
 - c. a glamour ice business
 - d. a glamorous business

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2005/200511-artwork.html>

Police from around the world have worked together to (1) _____ missing art. The detectives were from Interpol, Europol and many (2) _____. The World Customs Organization also helped with the search. The police officers found more than 19,000 (3) _____. These include an ancient Colombian gold mask that is over 600 years old. There was (4) _____ Roman lion, centuries-old jewellery, and thousands of ancient coins. Many of the items the police recovered were (5) _____ and archaeological sites. A lot of them were taken from countries at war. The thieves took cultural treasures while countries were in a mess because of (6) _____ or wars against other countries.

The police arrested 101 (7) _____ the world. The art thieves were from Spain, Colombia, Latvia, Afghanistan and Turkey. Interpol said they spent a long time monitoring online marketplaces to (8) _____ and the thieves. Interpol's secretary-general Jürgen Stock spoke to journalists about how (9) _____ was. He said: "The number of (10) _____ shows the scale and global reach of the illicit trade in cultural artefacts, where every country with a rich heritage is (11) _____." Interpol added: "Organised crime has many faces. The trafficking of cultural goods is one of them. It is not a glamorous business run by flamboyant (12) _____ by international criminal networks."

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2005/200511-artwork.html>

1. What did police around the world do together?
2. What did police find that was over 600 years old?
3. How many ancient coins did police find?
4. What kind of sites did thieves take items from?
5. What wars were countries fighting besides those against other countries?
6. How many art traffickers did the police arrest?
7. Who is Jürgen Stock?
8. What did Jürgen Stock say countries with a rich heritage were?
9. How many faces did Interpol say organised crime has?
10. Who did Interpol say runs the trafficking of cultural goods?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2005/200511-artwork.html>

- 1) What did police around the world do together?
 - a) play soccer
 - b) work
 - c) chat online
 - d) look at art
- 2) What did police find that was over 600 years old?
 - a) a necklace
 - b) a coin
 - c) a Pyramid
 - d) a gold mask
- 3) How many ancient coins did police find?
 - a) tens of thousands
 - b) hundreds
 - c) thousands
 - d) hundreds of thousands
- 4) What kind of sites did thieves take items from?
 - a) archaeological sites
 - b) building sites
 - c) Internet sites
 - d) touristy sites
- 5) What wars were countries fighting besides those against other countries?
 - a) disease
 - b) civil wars
 - c) poverty
 - d) locusts
- 6) How many art traffickers did the police arrest?
 - a) 101
 - b) 100
 - c) 102
 - d) 199
- 7) Who is Jürgen Stock?
 - a) a soccer manager
 - b) an art dealer
 - c) Interpol's secretary-general
 - d) a journalist
- 8) What did Jürgen Stock say countries with a rich heritage were?
 - a) potential targets
 - b) rich
 - c) lucky
 - d) advanced
- 9) How many faces did Interpol say organised crime has?
 - a) one
 - b) two
 - c) one hundred
 - d) many
- 10) Who did Interpol say runs the trafficking of cultural goods?
 - a) flamboyant gentlemen
 - b) Interpol
 - c) international criminal networks
 - d) forgers

ROLE PLAY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2005/200511-artwork.html>

Role A – Manga

You think manga is the best art form. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their art. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): graffiti, computer graphics or cave paintings.

Role B – Graffiti

You think graffiti is the best art form. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their art. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): manga, computer graphics or cave paintings.

Role C – Computer Graphics

You think computer graphics is the best art form. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their art. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): graffiti, manga or cave paintings.

Role D – Cave Paintings

You think cave paintings are the best art form. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their art. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): graffiti, computer graphics or manga.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2005/200511-artwork.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'art' and 'work'.

art	work
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• together• national• search• 600• recovered• mess	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 101• online• big• reach• faces• run
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ARTWORK SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about artwork 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.

ARTWORK DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'art'?
3. What do you think of art?
4. Why do people like art so much?
5. How good were you at art?
6. What kind of art do you like?
7. Would you like to be an artist?
8. What art do you have in your house?
9. Who is your favourite artist?
10. What punishment should the art traffickers get?

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ARTWORK DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'work'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. How important is art?
15. How do the traffickers make money from the art?
16. Which country has produced the best art?
17. What do you think of the art your country has produced?
18. What kind of art is best - painting, sculpture, jewellery or other?
19. What piece of art would you like in your house?
20. What questions would you like to ask a famous artist?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Police from around the world have worked together to find (1) _____ of missing art. The detectives were from Interpol, Europol and many national police forces. The World Customs Organization also helped (2) _____ the search. The police officers found more than 19,000 items (3) _____ artwork. These include an ancient Colombian gold mask that is over 600 years old. There was also a (4) _____ Roman lion, centuries-old jewellery, and thousands of ancient coins. Many of the items the police recovered were (5) _____ from museums and archaeological sites. A lot of them were taken from countries at war. The thieves took cultural treasures while countries were in a mess because of fighting (6) _____ wars or wars against other countries.

The police arrested 101 art (7) _____ around the world. The art thieves were from Spain, Colombia, Latvia, Afghanistan and Turkey. Interpol said they spent a long time (8) _____ online marketplaces to find the art and the thieves. Interpol's secretary-general Jürgen Stock spoke to journalists about (9) _____ big the operation was. He said: "The number of arrests and objects shows the (10) _____ and global reach of the illicit trade in cultural artefacts, where every country with a rich heritage is a potential (11) _____." Interpol added: "Organised crime has many faces. The trafficking of cultural goods is one of them. It is not a glamorous business (12) _____ by flamboyant gentlemen forgers, but by international criminal networks."

Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1. | (a) lots | (b) load | (c) many | (d) much |
| 2. | (a) of | (b) to | (c) with | (d) as |
| 3. | (a) at | (b) or | (c) of | (d) on |
| 4. | (a) caved | (b) curved | (c) curbed | (d) carved |
| 5. | (a) stolen | (b) stole | (c) stealing | (d) steals |
| 6. | (a) uncivil | (b) civil | (c) polite | (d) cordial |
| 7. | (a) bootlickers | (b) mimickers | (c) nitpickers | (d) traffickers |
| 8. | (a) monitor | (b) monitoring | (c) monitors | (d) monitored |
| 9. | (a) why | (b) what | (c) how | (d) which |
| 10. | (a) measures | (b) weighty | (c) index | (d) scale |
| 11. | (a) aimed | (b) reach | (c) apple | (d) target |
| 12. | (a) doing | (b) run | (c) been | (d) cooked |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. The ceetvstdie were from Interpol
2. national police serofc
3. an eitancn Colombian gold mask
4. utesnrce-old jewellery
5. the items the police evcredro
6. ltluaurc treasures

Paragraph 2

7. The police etrrdesa 101 art traffickers
8. motrniogn online marketplaces
9. find the art and the tvsiehe
10. every country with a rich iegthear
11. a oattnpiel target
12. It is not a sgruaomlo business

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2005/200511-artwork.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () in cultural artefacts, where every country with a rich heritage is a potential
- () target." Interpol added: "Organised crime has many faces. The trafficking of cultural goods is one of
- () search. The police officers found more than 19,000 items of artwork. These include an ancient Colombian gold
- () them. It is not a glamorous business run by flamboyant gentlemen forgers, but by international criminal networks."
- () The police arrested 101 art traffickers around the world. The art thieves were from Spain, Colombia, Latvia,
- () Afghanistan and Turkey. Interpol said they spent a long time monitoring online marketplaces to find the art and the
- () mask that is over 600 years old. There was also a carved Roman lion, centuries-old jewellery, and thousands of
- () thieves. Interpol's secretary-general Jürgen Stock spoke to journalists about how big the operation was. He said:
- () "The number of arrests and objects shows the scale and global reach of the illicit trade
- () ancient coins. Many of the items the police recovered were stolen from museums and archaeological sites. A lot of them were taken
- (**1**) Police from around the world have worked together to find lots of missing art. The detectives were from
- () from countries at war. The thieves took cultural treasures while countries were in a
- () mess because of fighting civil wars or wars against other countries.
- () Interpol, Europol and many national police forces. The World Customs Organization also helped with the

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2005/200511-artwork.html>

1. from Police world have worked together . around the
2. officers 19,000 Police than more found items .
3. museums . recovered the from Items police stolen were
4. of them from taken countries . were lot A
5. fighting . in of because mess a were Countries
6. arrested traffickers 101 Police the world . around art
7. online They time long a spent marketplaces . monitoring
8. of the number arrests The shows scale .
9. with a a rich country target . is Every heritage
10. flamboyant business A run by glamorous gentlemen .

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2005/200511-artwork.html>

Police from around the world have worked together to find *load / lots* of missing art. The detectives were from Interpol, Europol and many national police *forces / force*. The World Customs Organization also helped *at / with* the search. The police officers found more than 19,000 items *or / of* artwork. These include an ancient Colombian gold mask that is *more / over* 600 years old. There was also a *curbed / carved* Roman lion, centuries-old jewellery, and thousands of ancient coins. Many of the *items / item* the police recovered were stolen from museums and archaeological sites. A lot of *that / them* were taken from countries at war. The thieves took cultural treasures while countries were *in / on* a mess because of fighting civil wars or wars against *other / another* countries.

The police arrested 101 art *traffic / traffickers* around the world. The art *thieves / thief* were from Spain, Colombia, Latvia, Afghanistan and Turkey. Interpol said they spent a long *time / timing* monitoring online marketplaces to find the art *end / and* the thieves. Interpol's secretary-general Jürgen Stock spoke to journalists *for / about* how big the operation was. He said: "The number of arrests and objects shows the *index / scale* and global reach of the illicit trade *on / in* cultural artefacts, where every country with a rich heritage is a *possibly / potential* target." Interpol added: "Organised crime has many faces. The trafficking of cultural goods is *one / once* of them. It is not a glamorous business *run / walked* by flamboyant gentlemen forgers, but by international criminal networks."

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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P_l_c_ f r_m _r__ n d t h_ w_r l d h_v_ w_r k_d
t_g_t h_r t_ f_n d l_t s _f m_s s_n g _r t. Th_
d_t_c t_v_s w_r_ f r_m I n t_r p_l, E_r_p_l _n d m_n
y n_t__ n_l p_l_c_ f_r c_s. Th_ W_r l d C_s t_m s
O r g_n_z_t__ n _l s_ h_l p_d w_t h t h_ s__ r c h. T
h_ p_l_c_ _f f_c_r s f__ n d m_r_ t h_n 1 9, 0 0 0
_t_m s _f _r t w_r k. Th_s_ _n c_l_d_ _n _n c__ n t
C_l_m b__ n g_l d m_s k t h_t _s _v_r 6 0 0 y__ r s
_l d. Th_r_ w_s _l s_ _ c_r v_d R_m_n l__ n, c_n
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n t c__ n s. M_n y _f t h_ _t_m s t h_ p_l_c_
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p__ n, C_l_m b__ , L_t v__ , A f g h_n_s t_n _n d
T_r k_y. I n t_r p_l s__ d t h_y s p_n t _ l_n g
t_m_ m_n t_r_n g _n l_n_ m_r k_t p_l_c_s t_ f_n d t
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2005/200511-artwork.html>

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PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. ARTWORK: Make a poster about artwork. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. MORE POLICE: Write a magazine article about governments spending more money on police to find more stolen artwork. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on artwork. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your ideas on art. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. b 2. e 3. a 4. c 5. d 6. g 7. f
8. j 9. h 10. k 11. m 12. i 13. l 14. n

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- a T b F c T d T e T f T g T h F

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. h	2. d	3. f	4. a	5. j
6. c	7. e	8. g	9. b	10. i

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. Work
2. A gold mask
3. Thousands
4. Archaeological sites
5. Civil wars
6. 101
7. Interpol's secretary-general
8. Potential targets
9. Many
10. International criminal networks

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

1. Police from around the world have worked together.
2. Police officers found more than 19,000 items.
3. Items the police recovered were stolen from museums.
4. A lot of them were taken from countries.
5. Countries were in a mess because of fighting.
6. Police arrested 101 art traffickers around the world.
7. They spent a long time monitoring online marketplaces.
8. The number of arrests shows the scale.
9. Every country with a rich heritage is a target.
10. A glamorous business run by flamboyant gentlemen.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. b 2. d 3. c 4. a 5. b 6. a 7. c 8. a 9. d 10. c

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)