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Level 2 – 15th September, 2022

UN says 50 million are in 'modern slavery'

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Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Slavery is not just a thing of the past. A report from the United Nations agency the International Labour Organization (ILO) says about 50 million people are enslaved today. They are trapped in forced labour or marriages. The ILO said one in 150 people in the world is enslaved. This figure increased by 20 per cent in the past few years. It is still growing because of the coronavirus pandemic, climate change, and the cost of living crisis. These things have made many people poor. The only way they can survive is to work in terrible conditions or be forced into unwanted marriages.

In 2016, the UN hoped to end modern slavery by 2030. However, the number of people in forced labour or forced marriage shot up by 10 million. The ILO said slavery happens when people "cannot refuse or cannot leave because of threats, violence...abuse of power or other forms of [force]". This problem is not just in poor countries. An ILO spokesperson said: "It would be a mistake to believe that forced labour is solely the problem of poor countries." He said over half of cases of forced labour and a quarter of forced marriages are in richer countries. Women and children are at the most risk.

Sources: <https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2022/9/12/modern-slavery-swells-to-50-million-on-any-given-day-un>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Slavery is not just a thing | a. increased by 20 per cent |
| 2. the United Nations | b. enslaved today |
| 3. 50 million people are | c. 150 people |
| 4. They are trapped | d. change |
| 5. one in | e. agency |
| 6. This figure | f. in forced labour |
| 7. climate | g. conditions |
| 8. work in terrible | h. of the past |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. the UN hoped to | a. of power |
| 2. the number of people in | b. of poor countries |
| 3. forced marriage shot | c. at the most risk |
| 4. abuse | d. of forced marriages |
| 5. other forms | e. up by 10 million |
| 6. solely the problem | f. end modern slavery |
| 7. a quarter | g. forced labour |
| 8. Women and children are | h. of force |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Slavery is not just (1) _____ the past. A report from the United Nations agency the International Labour Organization (ILO) says about 50 million people (2) _____. They are trapped in forced labour or marriages. The ILO said (3) _____ people in the world is enslaved. This figure increased by 20 per cent in the (4) _____. It is still growing because of the coronavirus pandemic, climate change, and the (5) _____ crisis. These things have made many people poor. The only way they can survive is to work (6) _____ or be forced into unwanted marriages.

In 2016, the UN (7) _____ modern slavery by 2030. However, the number of people in forced labour or forced marriage (8) _____ 10 million. The ILO said slavery happens when people "cannot refuse or cannot leave because of threats, violence... (9) _____ or other forms of [force]". This problem is (10) _____ poor countries. An ILO spokesperson said: "It would be a mistake to believe that forced labour (11) _____ problem of poor countries." He said over half of cases of forced labour and a quarter of forced marriages are in richer countries. Women and children are at (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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SLAVERY SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about slavery 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) _____

