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Level 0 – 26th January 2023

Bill Gates wants to reduce methane from cow burps

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

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2301/230126-methane-emissions-0.html>

Cows, deer and goats on farms create a lot of gas. A lot of the world's methane is from farm animals. Methane is the second most common greenhouse gas. Bill Gates wants to help reduce it. He put money into a new technology company called Rumin8. It made a seaweed-based food. This will cut the methane in animal burps.

Bill Gates started Microsoft. He thinks farming animals less will help the environment. A third of all greenhouse gas emissions is from farming animals. Mr Gates' spokesperson said Rumin8 offers a low-cost answer to reducing greenhouse gasses. He added that Rumin8 would help farmers all over the world.

Sources: <https://www.bbc.com/news/business-64382400>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. goats on farms | a. to help reduce it |
| 2. A lot of the world's methane is | b. cut the methane |
| 3. the second most common | c. from farm animals |
| 4. Bill Gates wants | d. burps |
| 5. a new technology | e. greenhouse gas |
| 6. It made a seaweed-based | f. company |
| 7. This will | g. food |
| 8. animal | h. create a lot of gas |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Bill Gates | a. gasses |
| 2. help the | b. emissions |
| 3. greenhouse gas | c. over the world |
| 4. farming | d. started Microsoft |
| 5. Mr Gates' | e. environment |
| 6. Rumin8 offers a low- | f. spokesperson |
| 7. reducing greenhouse | g. cost answer |
| 8. help farmers all | h. animals |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Cows, (1) _____ on farms create a
(2) _____. A lot of the world's methane is from
farm animals. Methane is (3) _____ common
greenhouse gas. Bill Gates wants to (4) _____.
He put money (5) _____ technology company
called Rumin8. It made a seaweed-based food. This will
(6) _____ in animal burps.

Bill Gates started Microsoft. (7) _____ animals
less will help the environment. A (8) _____
greenhouse gas (9) _____ farming animals. Mr
Gates' spokesperson said Rumin8 offers
(10) _____ to reducing greenhouse gasses.
(11) _____ Rumin8 would help farmers all
(12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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METHANE EMISSIONS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2301/230126-methane-emissions-0.html>

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) _____

