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Level 5

Coffee company to improve sustainability

4th September, 2014

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THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1409/140904-sustainability.html>

The coffee company Nespresso has ambitious plans to make its operations more sustainable. The company is part of the Nestlé group of companies. It makes and sells espresso coffee machines and the containers of coffee needed for the machine. Its new initiative is called 'The Positive Cup'. This aims to make one of its ranges of coffee using totally sustainable methods. It will also help poor coffee farmers. It will invest \$16 million in Ethiopia, Kenya and South Sudan. Nespresso said it, "aims to protect the future of the highest quality coffees and secure the livelihoods of the farmers".

A main part of the campaign is to recycle all of the aluminium coffee containers used in the machines. It will "increase recycling rates" and become "100 per cent carbon neutral" by 2020. It will also plant trees to reduce its carbon footprint. Nespresso's CEO said sustainability has always been designed to do more than minimise damage. Actor George Clooney said the investment in South Sudan is important, especially because of the war there. He said the investment will provide, "much-needed income for hundreds of farmers and their families living in coffee communities".

Sources: <http://www.supplymanagement.com/news/2014/nespresso-invests-ps328-million-to-improve-sustainability-by-2020>
<http://www.hoteliermiddleeast.com/21434-nespresso-launches-2020-sustainability-ambition/2/>

MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1409/140904-sustainability.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Nespresso has ambitious | a. \$16 million |
| 2. make its operations | b. quality coffees |
| 3. the containers of | c. of coffee |
| 4. one of its ranges | d. of the farmers |
| 5. totally sustainable | e. more sustainable |
| 6. It will invest | f. methods |
| 7. protect the future of the highest | g. plans |
| 8. secure the livelihoods | h. coffee |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--|-------------------------|
| 1. A main part | a. neutral |
| 2. recycle all of the aluminium coffee | b. damage |
| 3. become 100 per cent carbon | c. needed income |
| 4. plant trees to reduce | d. of the war there |
| 5. minimise | e. of the campaign |
| 6. especially because | f. coffee communities |
| 7. provide much- | g. containers |
| 8. families living in | h. its carbon footprint |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The coffee company Nespresso (1) _____ to make its operations more sustainable. The company is part of the Nestlé group of companies. It makes and sells espresso coffee machines (2) _____ of coffee needed for the machine. Its new initiative is called 'The Positive Cup'. This (3) _____ of its ranges of coffee using totally (4) _____. It will also help poor coffee farmers. (5) _____ million in Ethiopia, Kenya and South Sudan. Nespresso said it, "aims to protect the future of the highest quality coffees and secure (6) _____ the farmers".

(7) _____ campaign is to recycle all of the aluminium coffee containers used in the machines. It will "(8) _____" and become "100 per cent (9) _____ 2020. It will also plant trees to reduce its carbon footprint. Nespresso's CEO said sustainability has always been designed to do more (10) _____. Actor George Clooney said the investment in South Sudan is important, especially because of the war there. He said the investment will provide, "(11) _____ for hundreds of farmers and their families living in (12) _____".

SUSTAINABILITY SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1409/140904-sustainability.html>

Write five GOOD questions about sustainability 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) _____
- g) _____
- h) _____

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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) _____
- g) _____
- h) _____

FREE WRITING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1409/140904-sustainability.html>

Write about **sustainability** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner’s paper.
