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# Level 0 The world is 0.28% more peaceful than a year ago 3rd June, 2017

http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1706/170603-world-peace-0.html

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



### THE READING

From http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1706/170603-world-peace-0.html

The world is 0.28% more peaceful today than a year ago. An organization called the IEP said this. The IEP writes about world peace every year. It gives a peace score to 163 countries. It also tells countries how to be peaceful. Iceland is the most peaceful country. It has been number one since 2008.

The report says that 93 countries are more peaceful and 68 are less peaceful. Researchers looked at murder rates, the number of weapons, and terrorism in each country. Syria, Afghanistan, Iraq, South Sudan and Yemen are the least peaceful countries. There are too many problems in the Middle East and the USA.

Sources: http://www.bbc.com/news/world-40118188 \*http://visionofhumanity.org/app/uploads/2017/06/GPI-2017-Report-1.pdf http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2017/06/01/us-plummets-global-peace-ranking-due-politicalinstability/

# **PHRASE MATCHING**

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#### **PARAGRAPH ONE:**

| 1. | more peaceful today         | a. | peaceful country  |
|----|-----------------------------|----|-------------------|
| 2. | An organization called      | b. | peace every year  |
| 3. | The IEP writes about world  | c. | to 163 countries  |
| 4. | It gives a peace score      | d. | to be peaceful    |
| 5. | It also tells countries how | e. | one               |
| 6. | Iceland is the most         | f. | than a year ago   |
| 7. | It has been number          | g. | 2008              |
| 8. | since                       | h. | the IEP said this |

#### **PARAGRAPH TWO:**

| 1. | 93 countries       | a. | peaceful countries |
|----|--------------------|----|--------------------|
| 2. | 68 are less        | b. | rates              |
| 3. | murder             | c. | East               |
| 4. | the number         | d. | peaceful           |
| 5. | terrorism in each  | e. | problems           |
| 6. | the least          | f. | are more peaceful  |
| 7. | There are too many | g. | country            |
| 8. | in the Middle      | h. | of weapons         |

### LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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| The (1)                         | more peaceful today than a year  |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ago. An organization called the | (2) The                          |
| IEP (3)                         | world peace every year. It gives |
| a peace (4)                     | countries. It also tells         |
| countries (5)                   | peaceful. Iceland is the         |
| most peaceful country.          | It has been number               |
| (6)                             |                                  |
| The report (7)                  | countries are more               |
| peaceful and (8)                | peaceful. Researchers            |
| looked at murder rates, (9) _   | weapons,                         |
| and terrorism (10)              | Syria, Afghanistan,              |
| Iraq, South Sudan and Yeme      | en (11)                          |
| peaceful countries. There (12)  | problems                         |
| in the Middle East and the USA. |                                  |

# PUT A SLASH ( / )WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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### WORLD PEACE SURVEY

From http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1706/170603-world-peace-4.html

Write five GOOD questions about world peace 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) | <br> | <br> |
| c) | <br> |      |
| d) |      |      |
| e) |      |      |
| f) |      |      |
|    | <br> |      |

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# WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

| a) | <br> | <br> |  |
|----|------|------|--|
| b) |      |      |  |
| c) |      |      |  |
| d) |      |      |  |
| e) |      |      |  |
| f) |      | <br> |  |
|    |      |      |  |

### WRITING

From http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1706/170603-world-peace-0.html

Write about **world peace** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.