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UN horror at slave trade in Libya

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

THE READING

The UN is horrified by reports of slavery in Libya. Thousands of African refugees are sold in auctions across Libya every week. Most of the people are black African men. There are also reports of enslaved people having their organs removed. These are sold illegally. In a televised statement, the UN said it was, "horrified at news reports and video footage showing African migrants in Libya reportedly being sold as slaves". The UN asked authorities to "investigate these activities without delay and to bring the [criminals] to justice".

Human rights experts said urgent action must be taken to stop this modern-day slave trade. They said slavery was now a terrible reality in Libya. They said the trade is similar to "one of the darkest chapters in human history, when millions of Africans were uprooted, enslaved, trafficked and auctioned to the highest bidder". People are being sold for up to $400 each. The UN said: "Slavery has no place in our world and these actions are among the most [terrible] abuses of human rights and…amount to crimes against humanity." It asked all countries to fight to end the slave trade.

PHRASE MATCHING

PARAGRAPH ONE:

1.	The UN is horrified by reports	a.	statement
2.	African refugees are sold	b.	delay
3.	a televised	c.	sold as slaves
4.	video	d.	to justice
5.	reportedly being	e.	in auctions
6.	The UN asked authorities to	f.	footage
7.	without	g.	of slavery
8.	bring the criminals	h.	investigate

PARAGRAPH TWO:

1.	urgent action must	a.	in our world
2.	one of the darkest chapters in	b.	against humanity
3.	millions of Africans were	c.	human history
4.	auctioned to the highest	d.	the slave trade
5.	Slavery has no place	e.	uprooted
6.	the most terrible abuses	f.	bidder
7.	crimes	g.	be taken
8.	fight to end	h.	of human rights

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

The UN (1) _____ reports of slavery in Libya. Thousands of African refugees are (2) _____ across Libya every week. Most of the people are black African men. There (3) _____ of enslaved people having their organs removed. These are sold illegally. In (4) _____, the UN said it was, "horrified at news reports and video footage showing African migrants in Libya reportedly (5) _____ slaves". The UN asked authorities to "investigate these activities (6) _____ to bring the [criminals] to justice".

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THE SLAVE TRADE SURVEY

Write five GOOD questions about The slave trade 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) _____

WRITING

Write about **the slave trade** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.

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