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Russia planning to develop more missiles

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THE ARTICLE

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Russia has responded to the USA withdrawing from an arms treaty by announcing it has plans to build more missiles. News that the USA will exit the Intermediate Nuclear Forces Treaty (INFT) and Russia's response raised concerns about a new arms race. Moscow immediately said it would end its own involvement in the arms limitation treaty. In addition, Russian media stated that Russia's military would develop a "100 megaton nuclear doomsday device" in response to the USA pulling out of the treaty. The INFT was signed in 1987. It was an attempt to limit the number of missiles that were capable of hitting many European capitals. It banned both countries from using short- and medium-range missiles.

The media have written extensively about a new "super-missile". This is an unstoppable, undersea, 100-megaton nuclear warhead. Experts say it is so fast it can evade all current missile defense systems. They also say it is powerful enough to cause catastrophic devastation, such as creating 100-meter tsunami waves and enough radiation to wipe out life for a thousand kilometers. One Russian newspaper wrote: "One of the 100 megaton nuclear warheads will sit off the US coast. Any US attack on Russia would be a suicidal misadventure." However, the paper omitted to mention the concept of M.A.D. - Mutually Assured Destruction. This scary scenario sees both countries wiping each other out.

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WARM-UPS

1. MISSILES: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about missiles. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

Russia / arms treaty / plans / concerns / treaty / military / attempt / limit / missiles / media / warhead / powerful / radiation / coast / tsunami / suicidal / concept / scary

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. WORLD WAR III: Students A **strongly** believe there will never be a World War III; Students B **strongly** believe there could be in the future. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. WEAPONS: How dangerous are these weapons and what can we do about them? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	How dangerous?	What can we do about them?
Missiles		
Grenades		
Guns		
Knives		
Swords		
Flamethrowers		

5. MISSILE: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "missile". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. SCARY: Rank these with your partner. Put the scariest things at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- nuclear war
- global warming
- pandemics
- cybercrime
- civil war
- drought
- no jobs
- foreign invasions

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|----------------|---|
| 1. responded | a. A point or level beyond which something does not or may not extend or pass. |
| 2. withdrawing | b. Anxieties and worries. |
| 3. concerns | c. The fact or condition of being connected with or participating in something. |
| 4. arms race | d. Said or did something in reply to something. |
| 5. involvement | e. A time or event of crisis or great danger; the last day of the world's existence. |
| 6. doomsday | f. Removing or taking away (something) from a particular place or position. |
| 7. limit | g. A competition between nations to get the largest amount of weapons, especially between the US and the former Soviet Union during the Cold War. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|------------------|--|
| 8. extensively | h. Involving or causing sudden great damage or suffering. |
| 9. warhead | i. Great destruction or damage. |
| 10. evade | j. An imaginary sequence or development of events. |
| 11. catastrophic | k. The explosive part of a missile, torpedo, or similar weapon. |
| 12. devastation | l. Leave out or exclude (someone or something), either intentionally or forgetfully. |
| 13. omitted | m. Escape or avoid, especially by cleverness or trickery. |
| 14. scenario | n. To a large or detailed degree. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1902/190208-missiles.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. There are no concerns about a future arms race. **T / F**
- b. Both Russia and the USA withdrew from the INFT arms treaty. **T / F**
- c. The INFT treaty was signed in 1987. **T / F**
- d. The treaty banned Russia and the USA from using long-range missiles. **T / F**
- e. Russia's media have given little attention to Russia's "super-missile". **T / F**
- f. Missile defense systems are not good enough to detect the missile. **T / F**
- g. The missile could create 100-meter tsunami waves. **T / F**
- h. The M.A.D. scenario is when the US and Russia destroy each other. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH:

Match the following synonyms. The words in **bold** are from the news article.

- | | |
|------------------------|----------------|
| 1. responded | a. prohibited |
| 2. build | b. disastrous |
| 3. exit | c. reacted |
| 4. pulling out | d. widely |
| 5. banned | e. construct |
| 6. extensively | f. notion |
| 7. fast | g. leave |
| 8. catastrophic | h. situation |
| 9. concept | i. withdrawing |
| 10. scenario | j. quick |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|---|---------------------------|
| 1. it has plans | a. a new "super-missile" |
| 2. develop a 100 megaton nuclear | b. suicidal misadventure |
| 3. an attempt to | c. range missiles |
| 4. capable of hitting many | d. defense systems |
| 5. short- and medium- | e. to build more missiles |
| 6. The media have written extensively about | f. doomsday device |
| 7. it can evade all current missile | g. out life |
| 8. enough radiation to wipe | h. European capitals |
| 9. Any US attack on Russia would be a | i. wiping each other out |
| 10. This scary scenario sees both countries | j. limit the number |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1902/190208-missiles.html>

Russia has (1) _____ to the USA withdrawing from an arms treaty by announcing it has plans to build more missiles. News that the USA will (2) _____ the Intermediate Nuclear Forces Treaty (INFT) and Russia's response raised (3) _____ about a new arms race. Moscow immediately said it would end its own involvement in the arms limitation (4) _____. In addition, Russian media stated that Russia's military would develop a "100 megaton nuclear doomsday (5) _____" in response to the USA pulling out of the treaty. The INFT was signed in 1987. It was an (6) _____ to limit the number of missiles that were (7) _____ of hitting many European capitals. It (8) _____ both countries from using short- and medium-range missiles.

concerns
responded
banned
device
capable
treaty
exit
attempt

The media have written (9) _____ about a new "super-missile". This is an unstoppable, undersea, 100-megaton nuclear (10) _____. Experts say it is so fast it can evade all current missile defense systems. They also say it is powerful enough to cause (11) _____ devastation, such as creating 100-meter tsunami waves and enough (12) _____ to wipe out life for a thousand kilometers. One Russian newspaper wrote: "One of the 100 megaton nuclear (13) _____ will sit off the US coast. Any US attack on Russia would be a (14) _____ misadventure." However, the paper omitted to mention the (15) _____ of M.A.D. - Mutually Assured Destruction. This scary (16) _____ sees both countries wiping each other out.

warhead
radiation
concept
warheads
scenario
responded
catastrophic
suicidal

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

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- 1) Russia has responded to the USA withdrawing from _____
 - a. an arms treaty
 - b. a harms treaty
 - c. alarms treaty
 - d. an alms treaty
- 2) Russia's response raised concerns about a _____
 - a. new arms pace
 - b. new arms trace
 - c. new arms brace
 - d. new arms race
- 3) Moscow immediately said it would end its own involvement in the arms _____
 - a. limitation treat it
 - b. limitation tree tee
 - c. limitation treaty
 - d. limitation treat tea
- 4) Russia's military would develop a "100 megaton nuclear _____"
 - a. dooms daily device
 - b. doom stay device
 - c. domes day device
 - d. doomsday device
- 5) limit the number of missiles that were capable of hitting many _____
 - a. European capitalize
 - b. European cap it all
 - c. European cape pit ails
 - d. European capitals
- 6) This is an unstoppable, undersea, 100-megaton _____
 - a. nuclear warhead
 - b. nuclear warn head
 - c. nuclear warring head
 - d. nuclear wore head
- 7) cause catastrophic devastation, such as creating 100-meter _____
 - a. tsunami wave
 - b. tsunami waves
 - c. tsunami waives
 - d. tsunami waive
- 8) Any US attack on Russia would be _____ misadventure
 - a. a suicidal
 - b. as suicidal
 - c. as suicide all
 - d. a suet side all
- 9) However, the paper omitted to mention _____ M.A.D.
 - a. the concept if
 - b. the concept of
 - c. the concept off
 - d. the concept toff
- 10) This scary scenario sees both countries _____ out
 - a. wiping each other
 - b. wipe in each other
 - c. wipe ping each other
 - d. wiping each other

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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The media have written (7) _____ new "super-missile". This is an unstoppable, undersea, 100-megaton nuclear warhead. Experts say it is so fast it (8) _____ current missile defense systems. They also say it is powerful (9) _____ catastrophic devastation, such as creating 100-meter tsunami waves and enough (10) _____ out life for a thousand kilometers. One Russian newspaper wrote: "One of the 100 megaton nuclear warheads will sit off the US coast. Any US attack on Russia would (11) _____ misadventure." However, the paper omitted to mention the concept of M.A.D. - Mutually Assured Destruction. (12) _____ sees both countries wiping each other out.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1902/190208-missiles.html>

1. What are Russia and the USA withdrawing from?
2. What kind of race are people worried about?
3. How powerful is the nuclear device newspapers say Russia has built?
4. In what year was the INFT signed?
5. What missiles were the USA and Russia banned from using?
6. What can the new missile evade?
7. How high might tsunami waves be if the missile exploded?
8. Where will one of the nuclear devices be located?
9. What kind of "misadventure" did Russia say an attack on it would be?
10. What does M.A.D. mean?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1902/190208-missiles.html>

- 1) What are Russia and the USA withdrawing from?
 - a) a peace conference
 - b) an arms treaty
 - c) an exit
 - d) concerns
- 2) What kind of race are people worried about?
 - a) an unwinnable race
 - b) a master race
 - c) a two-horse race
 - d) an arms race
- 3) How powerful is the nuclear device newspapers say Russia has built?
 - a) 100 megatons
 - b) 1,000 megatons
 - c) 10,000 megatons
 - d) 100,000 megatons
- 4) In what year was the INFT signed?
 - a) 1789
 - b) 1879
 - c) 1987
 - d) 1978
- 5) What missiles were the USA and Russia banned from using?
 - a) long-range missiles
 - b) short-and medium-range missiles
 - c) 1,000 megaton missiles
 - d) hydrogen missiles
- 6) What can the new missile evade?
 - a) missile defense systems
 - b) radar
 - c) drones
 - d) hacking
- 7) How high might tsunami waves be if the missile exploded?
 - a) 20 meters
 - b) 200 meters
 - c) 100 meters
 - d) 10 meters
- 8) Where will one of the nuclear devices be located?
 - a) off the US coast
 - b) on the moon
 - c) on the border with Europe
 - d) near Alaska
- 9) What kind of "misadventure" did Russia say an attack on it would be?
 - a) a suicidal misadventure
 - b) a doomsday misadventure
 - c) a missile misadventure
 - d) a nuclear misadventure
- 10) What does M.A.D. mean?
 - a) Megaton Arms Defense
 - b) Missile Attack Deterrent
 - c) Mad And Destructive
 - d) Mutually Assured Destruction

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Nuclear War

You think nuclear war is the scariest thing. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't as scary. Also, tell the others which is the least scary of these (and why): cybercrime, there being no jobs or global warming.

Role B – Cybercrime

You think cybercrime is the scariest thing. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't as scary. Also, tell the others which is the least scary of these (and why): nuclear war, there being no jobs or global warming.

Role C – No Jobs

You think there being no jobs is the scariest thing. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't as scary. Also, tell the others which is the least scary of these (and why): cybercrime, nuclear war or global warming.

Role D – Global Warming

You think global warming is the scariest thing. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't as scary. Also, tell the others which is the least scary of these (and why): cybercrime, there being no jobs or nuclear war.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1902/190208-missiles.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'nuclear' and 'missile'.

nuclear	missile
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• announcing• exit• own• addition• signed• range	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• extensively• fast• powerful• sit• attack• scary
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MISSILES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about missiles 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.

MISSILES DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'missile'?
3. What do you think of nuclear missiles?
4. What do you know about arms races?
5. Why did the USA withdraw from the treaty?
6. Was Russia right to respond in the way it did?
7. What do you think of the term 'doomsday device'?
8. What do you know about the Cold War?
9. What are relations like between Russia and the USA?
10. What advice do you have for Russia and the USA?

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MISSILES DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'weapon'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What do you think of a 'super-missile'?
15. How afraid should the USA be of an 'unstoppable' missile?
16. Do you think the USA and Russia would ever attack each other?
17. Will we ever have a World War III?
18. How scary is this news?
19. What do you know about Mutually Assured Destruction?
20. What questions would you like to ask the leaders?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|-----------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|
| 1. | (a) responsive | (b) responds | (c) responded | (d) responsible |
| 2. | (a) exit | (b) way out | (c) retreat | (d) portal |
| 3. | (a) raised | (b) risen | (c) arose | (d) riser |
| 4. | (a) device | (b) devil | (c) devout | (d) divine |
| 5. | (a) capacity | (b) able | (c) ability | (d) capable |
| 6. | (a) boned | (b) branded | (c) binned | (d) banned |
| 7. | (a) extensively | (b) extension | (c) extensive | (d) extending |
| 8. | (a) warmonger | (b) warfare | (c) warrior | (d) warhead |
| 9. | (a) wipe | (b) swipe | (c) whip | (d) wide |
| 10. | (a) coats | (b) coast | (c) costs | (d) cost |
| 11. | (a) emitted | (b) omitted | (c) remitted | (d) formatted |
| 12. | (a) scenario | (b) cheerio | (c) lothario | (d) curio |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. the USA whwitadgrni from an arms treaty
2. Russia's rosnspee raised concerns
3. the arms litmioiant treaty
4. Russia's marliity would
5. a 100 megaton nuclear aomsdody device
6. missiles that were elapcba

Paragraph 2

7. written lenexesyivt about a new "super-missile"
8. 100-megaton nuclear awehtar
9. osathtccapri devastation
10. a iuacsidl misadventure
11. dmiteto to mention
12. scary esnoirac

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1902/190208-missiles.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () waves and enough radiation to wipe out life for a thousand kilometers. One Russian newspaper wrote: "One
- () systems. They also say it is powerful enough to cause catastrophic devastation, such as creating 100-meter tsunami
- () of hitting many European capitals. It banned both countries from using short- and medium-range missiles.
- () concerns about a new arms race. Moscow immediately said it would end its own
- () misadventure." However, the paper omitted to mention the concept of M.A.D. - Mutually
- (**1**) Russia has responded to the USA withdrawing from an arms treaty by announcing it has plans to build more
- () The media have written extensively about a new "super-missile". This is an unstoppable, undersea, 100-
- () Assured Destruction. This scary scenario sees both countries wiping each other out.
- () involvement in the arms limitation treaty. In addition, Russian media stated that Russia's military
- () out of the treaty. The INFT was signed in 1987. It was an attempt to limit the number of missiles that were capable
- () missiles. News that the USA will exit the Intermediate Nuclear Forces Treaty (INFT) and Russia's response raised
- () of the 100 megaton nuclear warheads will sit off the US coast. Any US attack on Russia would be a suicidal
- () would develop a "100 megaton nuclear doomsday device" in response to the USA pulling
- () megaton nuclear warhead. Experts say it is so fast it can evade all current missile defense

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. has USA responded withdrawing . the to Russia
2. concerns race . raised arms about Russia new a
3. immediately end said would its Moscow involvement . it
4. pulling response USA out . the In to
5. of number the limit attempt to An missiles .
6. evade defense It systems . missile can all current
7. 1,000km . radiation life out to wipe for Enough
8. coast . warheads US the will off Nuclear sit
9. concept to mention M.A.D . Omitted the of
10. sees each scenario other out . countries wiping This

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1902/190208-missiles.html>

Russia has *responded* / *response* to the USA withdrawing from an arms treaty by *announcement* / *announcing* it has plans to build more missiles. News that the USA will *exit* / *entrance* the Intermediate Nuclear Forces Treaty (INFT) and Russia's response *raised* / *arose* concerns about a new arms race. Moscow immediately said it would end its *self* / *own* involvement in the arms limitation treaty. In *plus* / *addition*, Russian media stated that Russia's military would develop a "100 megaton nuclear doomsday device" in *response* / *distress* to the USA pulling out of the treaty. The INFT was signed in 1987. It was an *attempt* / *address* to limit the number of missiles that were *capable* / *capability* of hitting many European capitals. It banned both countries from using short- and medium-*range* / *brand* missiles.

The media have written *extension* / *extensively* about a new "super-missile". This is an unstoppable, undersea, 100-megaton nuclear *warmonger* / *warhead*. Experts say it is so fast it can *evade* / *invade* all current missile defense systems. They also say it is powerful *enough* / *very* to cause catastrophic devastation, such *was* / *as* creating 100-meter tsunami waves and enough radiation to *wipe* / *whip* out life for a thousand kilometers. One Russian newspaper wrote: "One of the 100 megaton nuclear warheads will *sit* / *crouch* off the US coast. Any US attack on Russia would be a *suicide* / *suicidal* misadventure." However, the paper *omitted* / *permitted* to mention the concept of M.A.D. - Mutually Assured Destruction. This scary scenario sees both countries wiping *each* / *one* other out.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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R_s s__ h_s r_s p_n d_d t_ t h_ U S A w_t h d r_w_n
g f_r m _n _r m s t_r__ t y b_y _n n__ n c_n g _t
h_s p_l n s t_ b__ l d m_r_ m_s s_l_s. N_w s t_h_t
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1902/190208-missiles.html>

russia has responded to the usa withdrawing from an arms treaty by announcing it has plans to build more missiles news that the usa will exit the intermediate nuclear forces treaty inft and russia's response raised concerns about a new arms race moscow immediately said it would end its own involvement in the arms limitation treaty in addition russian media stated that russia's military would develop a 100 megaton nuclear doomsday device in response to the usa pulling out of the treaty the inft was signed in 1987 it was an attempt to limit the number of missiles that were capable of hitting many european capitals it banned both countries from using short and mediumrange missiles

the media have written extensively about a new supermissile this is an unstoppable undersea 100megaton nuclear warhead experts say it is so fast it can evade all current missile defense systems they also say it is powerful enough to cause catastrophic devastation such as creating 100meter tsunami waves and enough radiation to wipe out life for a thousand kilometers one russian newspaper wrote one of the 100 megaton nuclear warheads will sit off the us coast any us attack on russia would be a suicidal misadventure however the paper omitted to mention the concept of mad mutually assured destruction this scary scenario sees both countries wiping each other out.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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Russia has responded to the USA withdrawing from an arms treaty by announcing it has plans to build more missiles. News that the USA will exit the Intermediate Nuclear Forces Treaty (INFT) and Russia's response raised concerns about a new arms race. Moscow immediately said it would end its involvement in the arms limitation treaty. In addition, Russian media stated that Russia's military would develop a "100 megaton nuclear doomsday device" in response to the USA pulling out of the treaty. The INFT was signed in 1987. It was an attempt to limit the number of missiles that were capable of hitting many European capitals. It banned both countries from using short- and medium-range missiles. The media have written extensively about a new "super-missile". This is an unstoppable, undersea, 100-megaton nuclear warhead. Experts say it is so fast it can evade all current missile defense systems. They also say it is powerful enough to cause catastrophic devastation, such as creating 100-meter tsunami waves and enough radiation to wipe out life for a thousand kilometers. One Russian newspaper wrote: "One of the 100 megaton nuclear warheads will sit off the US coast. Any US attack on Russia would be a suicidal misadventure." However, the paper omitted to mention the concept of M.A.D. - Mutually Assured Destruction. This scary scenario sees both countries wiping each other out.

HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. MISSILES: Make a poster about missiles. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. WORLD WAR III: Write a magazine article about there never being a third world war. Include imaginary interviews with people who think this is true and with those who think it is not true.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on missiles. Ask him/her three questions about them. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to cut down the number of missiles in the world. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. d 2. f 3. b 4. g 5. c 6. e 7. a
8. n 9. k 10. m 11. h 12. i 13. l 14. j

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- a F b T c T d F e F f T g T h T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

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| 1. responded | a. reacted |
| 2. build | b. construct |
| 3. exit | c. leave |
| 4. pulling out | d. withdrawing |
| 5. banned | e. prohibited |
| 6. extensively | f. widely |
| 7. fast | g. quick |
| 8. catastrophic | h. disastrous |
| 9. concept | i. notion |
| 10. scenario | j. situation |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. An arms treaty
2. An arms race
3. 100 megatons
4. 1987
5. Short- and medium-range missiles
6. Missile defense systems
7. 100 meters
8. Off the US coast
9. A suicidal misadventure
10. Mutually Assured Destruction

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

1. Russia has responded to the USA withdrawing.
2. Russia raised concerns about a new arms race.
3. Moscow immediately said it would end its involvement.
4. In response to the USA pulling out.
5. An attempt to limit the number of missiles.
6. It can evade all current missile defense systems.
7. Enough radiation to wipe out life for 1,000km.
8. Nuclear warheads will sit off the US coast.
9. Omitted to mention the concept of M.A.D.
10. This scenario sees countries wiping each other out.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. b 2. d 3. a 4. c 5. b 6. a 7. c 8. a 9. a 10. d

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)