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### **Level 6** – 14th January, 2021

### Free dumplings for motorists stranded in snow

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#### THE ARTICLE

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2101/210114-fukui-prefecture.html

When the going gets tough, the tough get going. Record levels of snowfall made the going tough for hundreds of motorists in Japan earlier this week. Blizzards, snowdrifts and frozen roads left 200 cars stranded on a highway in Fukui Prefecture, along the Sea of Japan. This spurred the manager of a branch of a local Chinese restaurant, Gyoza Ohsho, to get going. Keiichi Iwatani, 39, decided to feed those faced with spending the night in sub-zero temperatures. He delivered hundreds of gyoza dumplings, fried rice and crab omelettes to weary, anxious and snowbound drivers. Seven employees helped him to deliver the provisions on foot throughout the night to 300 hungry and relieved people.

Mr Iwatani talked about his relief efforts to the Mainichi newspaper. He said he saw the snow accumulating and knew there would be problems. He said similar adverse weather hit in 2018 and the snow stopped him from getting to work. He said: "I regretted not being able to help out three years ago. I'm happy that many people appreciated our efforts last night." He added: "I wanted to keep drivers warm, even for just a bit." Many drivers were appreciative of his efforts. Yuki Yamashita, 23, feared the worst when she got stuck in the snow. She said when Ishitani appeared, he restored her faith in humanity. A fellow driver shared some Habutae mochi - a traditional Fukui rice confection - with her to reinforce that faith.

Sources: https://mainichi.jp/english/articles/20210112/p2a/00m/0na/020000c

https://english.kyodonews.net/news/2021/01/38848016de82-domestic-violence-cases-in-japan-hit-

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#### **WARM-UPS**

- **1. SNOW:** Students walk around the class and talk to other students about snow. 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?

tough / snowfall / motorists / blizzard / highway / temperatures / dumplings / hungry relief efforts / adverse weather / happy / faith / humanity / traditional / confection

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

- **3. HELP:** Students A **strongly** believe it is our duty to help anyone in need; Students B **strongly** believe it isn't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.
- **4. SURVIVAL:** What should people do in these situations? How would you feel? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	How To Survive	How You'd Feel
Trapped in blizzards		
Prolonged heat wave		
Floods		
Hurricane / Typhoon		
Sub-zero temperatures		
Wildfires		

- **5. TOUGH:** Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "tough". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.
- **6. ADVERSE WEATHER:** Rank these with your partner. Put the worst weather at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.
  - Blizzards
  - Torrential rain
  - Strong wind
  - Hail

- Heat waves
- Tornadoes
- Dust storms
- Drought

#### **VOCABULARY MATCHING**

#### Paragraph 1

- the tough a. Supplies of food, drink, or equipment, especially for a journey.
- 2. blizzard b. A group of people able to endure hardship or pain.
- 3. snowdrift c. Gave an incentive or encouragement to someone.
- stranded
   A severe snowstorm with high winds and low visibility.
- 5. spurred e. Stuck somewhere without the means to move from somewhere.
- 6. weary f. A bank of deep snow piled up and made higher by the wind.
- 7. provisions g. Feeling or showing tiredness, especially as a result of excessive exertion or lack of sleep.

#### Paragraph 2

- 8. relief h. A feeling of reassurance and relaxation following release from worry or stress.
- 9. accumulating i. Strengthen an existing feeling, idea, or habit.
- 10. adverse j. Gathering together or acquiring an increasing number or quantity of.
- 11. appreciated k. A dish or delicacy made with sweet ingredients.
- 12. restored | Preventing success or development; harmful; unfavorable.
- 13. confection m. Was very grateful for something or someone; recognized the full worth of.
- 14. reinforce n. Returned someone or something to a former condition, place, or position.

### **BEFORE READING / LISTENING**

From https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2101/210114-fukui-prefecture.html

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

- a. Blizzards left 200 cars stranded on a highway in Japan. T/F
- b. The owner of a Japanese restaurant made meals for stranded motorists. T / F
- c. A restaurant owner cooked crab omelettes for stranded motorists. T / F
- d. Volunteers helped 3,000 people trapped in their cars in the blizzard. **T / F**
- e. The restaurant manager also helped stranded motorists in 2018. T / F
- g. A 23-year-old was very worried when she got stuck in the snow. T / F
- h. The 23-year-old received a traditional sweet from another motorist. **T / F**

#### 2. SYNONYM MATCH:

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

- 1. tough
- 2. stranded
- 3. spurred
- 4. faced with
- 5. provisions
- 6. efforts
- 7. appreciated
- 8. restored
- 9. faith
- 10. reinforce

- a. valued
- b. confronted by
- c. endeavours
- d. arduous
- e. belief
- f. stimulated
- g. strengthen
- h. helpless
- i. reestablished
- j. supplies

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

- 1. When the going gets tough,
- 2. Record levels
- 3. spending the night in
- 4. anxious and
- 5. employees helped him to deliver the
- 6. relief
- 7. similar adverse weather
- 8. Many drivers were appreciative
- 9. Yuki Yamashita, 23, feared
- 10. he restored her faith

- a. efforts
- b. snowbound drivers
- c. provisions on foot
- d. of his efforts
- e. of snowfall
- f. in humanity
- g. the worst
- h. the tough get going
- i. hit in 2018
- j. sub-zero temperatures

### **GAP FILL**

When the going gets tough, the ${}^{\scriptscriptstyle{(1)}}$ get going.	motorists
Record levels of snowfall made the going tough for hundreds of	branch
(2) in Japan earlier this week. Blizzards,	
(3) and frozen roads left 200 cars	provisions
(4) on a highway in Fukui Prefecture, along	snowdrifts
the Sea of Japan. This spurred the manager of a	tough
of a local Chinese restaurant, Gyoza	weary
Ohsho, to get going. Keiichi Iwatani, 39, decided to feed those	faced
(6) with spending the night in sub-zero	raceu
temperatures. He delivered hundreds of gyoza dumplings, fried	stranded
rice and crab omelettes to $(7)$ , anxious and	
snowbound drivers. Seven employees helped him to deliver the	
(8) on foot throughout the night to 300	
hungry and relieved people.	
Mr Iwatani talked about his (9) efforts to the	relief
Mainichi newspaper. He said he saw the snow	bit
(10) and knew there would be problems. He	
said similar (11) weather hit in 2018 and the	accumulating
snow stopped him from getting to work. He said: "I	faith
(12) not being able to help out three years	regretted
ago. I'm happy that many people appreciated our efforts last	confection
night." He added: "I wanted to keep drivers warm, even for just a	
(13)" Many drivers were appreciative of his	stuck
efforts. Yuki Yamashita, 23, feared the worst when she got	adverse
(14) in the snow. She said when Ishitani	
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appeared, he restored her (15) in humanity. A	
fellow driver shared some <i>Habutae mochi</i> - a traditional Fukui rice	

### **LISTENING** — Guess the answers. Listen to check.

1)	When the going gets tough, the tough get going. Record levels of snowfall madea. the go in toughed
	b. the going in tough
	<ul><li>c. the going toughness</li><li>d. the going tough</li></ul>
2)	in Japan earlier this week. Blizzards, snowdrifts and frozen roads left
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	b. 200 cars stand did
	<ul><li>c. 200 cars stranded</li><li>d. 200 cars strain dead</li></ul>
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	b. and snow blind drivers
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4)	and snowbound drivers. Seven employees helped him to
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	b. deliver the provision
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5)	on foot throughout the night to 300 hungry
-,	a. and relief people
	b. and relieved people
	<ul><li>c. and relieve people</li><li>d. and reliever people</li></ul>
6)	and knew there would be problems. He said similar
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	b. adverse weather hit
	<ul><li>c. adverse weather lit</li><li>d. adverse weather fit</li></ul>
71	I'm happy that many people
,,	a. appreciate it our efforts
	b. appreciate your efforts
	c. appreciated our efforts
٥١	d. appreciates hour efforts  He added: "I wanted to keep drivers warm, even for"
0)	a. just a byte
	b. just a bit
	c. just a bite
٥,	d. just habit
9)	She said when Ishitani appeared, he restored her  a. faith on humanity
	b. faith at humanity
	c. faith of humanity
	d. faith in humanity
10)	) Habutae mochi - a traditional Fukui rice confection - with her to
	<ul><li>a. rein force that faith</li><li>b. being force that faith</li></ul>
	c. reign force that faith
	d. reinforce that faith

### **LISTENING** – Listen and fill in the gaps

When the going gets tough, the (1)	Record levels
of snowfall made the going tough for hund	lreds of motorists in Japan earlier
this week. Blizzards, (2)	roads left 200 cars
stranded on a highway in Fukui Prefectu	re, along the Sea of Japan. This
spurred the manager of a (3)	local Chinese
restaurant, Gyoza Ohsho, to get going.	Keiichi Iwatani, 39, decided to
(4) with sper	nding the night in sub-zero
temperatures. He delivered hundreds of gy	oza dumplings, fried rice and crab
omelettes (5)	and snowbound drivers. Seven
employees helped him to deliver the provis	sions on foot throughout the night
to 300 (6) people.	
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### **COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS**

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1.	What happens to the tough when the going gets tough?
2.	What stranded motorists besides snowdrifts and frozen roads?
3.	Along which body of water were the motorists stranded?
4.	How old is the restaurant manager?
5.	What kind of omelettes did the restaurant manage cook?
6.	What does the restaurant manager say he saw the snow doing?
7.	When did similar adverse weather hit the area?
8.	What does the article say many people appreciated?
9.	What did Yuki Yamashita fear?
10.	What did Mr Ishitani's efforts restore in Yuki Yamashita?

### **MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ**

- 1) What happens to the tough when the going gets tough?
- a) they go home
- b) they go shopping
- c) they get going
- d) the cry
- 2) What stranded motorists besides snowdrifts and frozen roads?
- a) blizzards
- b) floods
- c) strong winds
- d) a power cut
- 3) Along which body of water were the motorists stranded?
- a) Lake Biwa
- b) the Sea of Japan
- c) the Pacific Ocean
- d) the Seto Inland Sea
- 4) How old is the restaurant manager?
- a) 36
- b) 37
- c) 38
- d) 39
- 5) What kind of omelettes did the restaurant manage cook?
- a) wasabi omelettes
- b) natto omelettes
- c) crab omelettes
- d) strawberry omelettes

- 6) What does the restaurant manager say he saw the snow doing?
- a) falling
- b) accumulating
- c) melting
- d) swirling
- 7) When did similar adverse weather hit the area?
- a) 2015
- b) 2016
- c) 2017
- d) 2018
- 8) What does the article say many people appreciated?
- a) warm weather
- b) Mr Ishitani's efforts
- c) the heater in their car
- d) Japan's emergency services
- 9) What did Yuki Yamashita fear?
- a) running out of petrol
- b) the worst
- c) freezing
- d) the snow monster
- 10) What did Mr Ishitani's efforts restore in Yuki Yamashita?
- a) her faith in humanity
- b) her liking for gyoza dumplings
- c) her driving ability
- d) her broken rear light

#### **ROLE PLAY**

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#### Role A - Blizzard

You think a blizzard is the worst weather event. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their weather events aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the least harmful of these (and why): torrential rain, heat wave or strong wind.

#### Role B - Torrential Rain

You think torrential rain is the worst weather event. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their weather events aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the least harmful of these (and why): blizzard, heat wave or strong wind.

#### Role C - Heat Wave

You think a heat wave is the worst weather event. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their weather events aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the least harmful of these (and why): torrential rain, blizzard or strong wind.

#### Role D - Strong Wind

You think strong wind is the worst weather event. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their weather events aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the least harmful of these (and why): torrential rain, heat wave or blizzard.

### AFTER READING / LISTENING

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

dumpling	snow

- 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:

• levels	• talked
• 200	• hit
<ul><li>branch</li></ul>	• ago
<ul> <li>faced</li> </ul>	• warm
• rice	• worst
• 300	<ul> <li>traditional</li> </ul>

#### **SNOW SURVEY**

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Write five GOOD questions about snow 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.

#### **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 'dumpling'?
- 3. How tough are you?
- 4. Do the tough get going when the going gets tough?
- 5. What do you think of snow?
- 6. What would you do if you were stranded in a snowstorm?
- 7. What are the dangers of blizzards?
- 8. What do you think of Keiichi Iwatani's actions?
- 9. What help have you given people in need?
- 10. What advice do you have for people stuck in snow?

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#### **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 'snow'?
- 13. What do you think about what you read?
- 14. How does falling snow make you feel?
- 15. What's the most adverse weather you've experienced?
- 16. Who have you been appreciative of recently?
- 17. When was the last time you feared the worst?
- 18. When was the last time your faith in humanity was restored?
- 19. What do you know about Japanese confectionery?
- 20. What questions would you like to ask Mr Iwatani?

## **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

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

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### **LANGUAGE - CLOZE**

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2.	(a)	hired	(b)	skidded	(c)	left	(d)	slipped
3.	(a)	bunch	(b)	brunch	(c)	branch	(d)	bench
4.	(a)	fronted	(b)	backed	(c)	headed	(d)	faced
5.	(a)	weary	(b)	wary	(c)	worry	(d)	wiry
6.	(a)	assertions	(b)	provisions	(c)	sanctions	(d)	transfusions
7.	(a)	relieves	(b)	relieved	(c)	relieve	(d)	relief
8.	(a)	accumulate	(b)	accumulating	(c)	accumulates	(d)	accumulator
9.	(a)	having	(b)	doing	(c)	being	(d)	getting
10.	(a)	biter	(b)	bite	(c)	byte	(d)	bit
11.	(a)	frightened	(b)	scared	(c)	worried	(d)	feared
12.	(a)	confetti	(b)	confection	(c)	conifer	(d)	confidante

#### **SPELLING**

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#### Paragraph 1

- 1. ladszrizb, snowdrifts and frozen roads
- 2. This <u>uepdrsr</u> the manager of a branch
- 3. spending the night in sub-zero <u>mteprrteaseu</u>
- 4. axinuso and snowbound drivers
- 5. helped him to deliver the psnsoivior
- 6. 300 hungry and ilrdevee people

#### Paragraph 2

- 7. he saw the snow <u>tunccalgaium</u>
- 8. similar dsvreea weather hit in 2018
- 9. many people <u>areeipcatpd</u> our efforts
- 10. he restored her faith in tamyiuhn
- 11. a traditional Fukui rice ntoncoiecf
- 12. ncfereoir that faith

### **PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER**

From <a href="https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2101/210114-fukui-prefecture.html">https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2101/210114-fukui-prefecture.html</a>

#### Number these lines in the correct order.

(	1 )	When the going gets tough, the tough get going. Record levels of snowfall made the going tough for hundreds
(	)	rice and crab omelettes to weary, anxious and snowbound drivers. Seven employees helped him to
(	)	accumulating and knew there would be problems. He said similar adverse weather hit in 2018 and the snow stopped him
(	)	on a highway in Fukui Prefecture, along the Sea of Japan. This spurred the manager of
(	)	those faced with spending the night in sub-zero temperatures. He delivered hundreds of gyoza dumplings, fried
(	)	efforts last night." He added: "I wanted to keep drivers warm, even for just a bit." Many drivers were
(	)	driver shared some Habutae mochi - a traditional Fukui rice confection - with her to reinforce that faith.
(	)	of motorists in Japan earlier this week. Blizzards, snowdrifts and frozen roads left 200 cars stranded
(	)	deliver the provisions on foot throughout the night to 300 hungry and relieved people.
(	)	Mr Iwatani talked about his relief efforts to the Mainichi newspaper. He said he saw the snow
(	)	a branch of a local Chinese restaurant, Gyoza Ohsho, to get going. Keiichi Iwatani, 39, decided to feed
(	)	from getting to work. He said: "I regretted not being able to help out three years ago. I'm happy that many people appreciated our
(	)	appreciative of his efforts. Yuki Yamashita, 23, feared the worst when she got stuck
(	)	in the snow. She said when Ishitani appeared, he restored her faith in humanity. A fellow

#### PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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- 1. levels Record made tough . going the of snowfall
- 2. and Snowdrifts frozen roads stranded . left 200 cars
- 3. branch A restaurant . local Chinese a of
- 4. the with Faced temperatures . night in spending sub-zero
- 5. provisions foot . him on to Helped deliver the
- 6. accumulating . He saw the said he snow
- 7. adverse hit similar in 2018 . He said weather
- 8. not to being able help regretted I out .
- 9. appreciative efforts . of Many drivers his were
- 10. the she worst got She feared when stuck .

### **CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)**

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When the going gets tough, the *tough / toughen* get going. Record levels of snowfall made the going tough for hundreds of *motors / motorists* in Japan earlier this week. Blizzards, snowdrifts and frozen roads *left / right* 200 cars stranded on a highway in Fukui Prefecture, along the Sea of Japan. This *spurred / sparred* the manager of a *branch / brunch* of a local Chinese restaurant, Gyoza Ohsho, to get *gone / going*. Keiichi Iwatani, 39, decided to feed those faced with *spending / using* the night in sub-zero temperatures. He delivered hundreds of gyoza dumplings, fried rice and crab omelettes to weary, *anxiety / anxious* and snowbound drivers. Seven employees helped him to deliver the *provision / provisions* on foot throughout the night to 300 hungry and *relief / relieved* people.

Mr Iwatani talked about his *relief / relieve* efforts to the Mainichi newspaper. He said he saw the snow accumulating and knew there would *do / be* problems. He said similar *adverts / adverse* weather hit in 2018 and the snow stopped him from getting *at / to* work. He said: "I regretted not being able to help out three years ago. I'm happy that many people *appreciative / appreciated* our efforts last night." He added: "I wanted to keep drivers warm, even for just a *bite / bit*." Many drivers were *appreciative / appreciated* of his efforts. Yuki Yamashita, 23, *afraid / feared* the worst when she got stuck in the snow. She said when Ishitani appeared, he restored her faith *in / on* humanity. A fellow driver shared some *Habutae mochi -* a traditional Fukui rice *confection / confetti -* with her to reinforce that faith.

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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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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### **FREE WRITING**

Write about <b>snow</b> for 10 minutes. C	Comment on your partner's paper.

### **ACADEMIC WRITING**

"When the goin	g gets tough, the	tough get goir	ng." Discuss. Ho	ow tough are y	ou?

#### **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. SNOW:** Make a poster about snow. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?
- **4. REWARD:** Write a magazine article about rewarding people who help others who are in trouble. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

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 snow. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to survive being stuck in snow. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

#### **ANSWERS**

#### **VOCABULARY (p.4)**

1. h 2. d 3. f 4. e 5. С 6. 7. а 8. 9. j 10. 1 11. 13. 14. h m 12. n k i

#### TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

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

#### **SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)**

1.	d	2. h	3. f	4. b	5. j
6.	С	7. a	8. i	9. e	10. g

#### COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9) WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

10. She feared the worst when she got stuck.

1.	They get going	1.	Record levels of snowfall made the going tough.
2.	Blizzards	2.	Snowdrifts and frozen roads left 200 cars stranded.
3.	The Sea of Japan?	3.	A branch of a local Chinese restaurant.
4.	39	4.	Faced with spending the night in sub-zero temperatures.
5.	Crab omelettes	5.	Helped him to deliver the provisions on foot.
6.	Accumulating	6.	He said he saw the snow accumulating.
7.	2018	7.	He said similar adverse weather hit in 2018.
8.	Mr Ishitani's efforts	8.	I regretted not being able to help out.
9.	The worst	9.	Many drivers were appreciative of his efforts.

#### **MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)**

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

#### **ALL OTHER EXERCISES**

10. Her faith in humanity

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