

Vocabulary from the text

Use the words in their correct form to complete the gaps.

CHECK 

- poison • contaminate • infect • pollute

1 You should wash the wound so that it doesn't get . 

2 The king was by some chemicals that were added to his food. 

3 The water has been with toxic waste and is not suitable for drinking. 

4 A number of beaches have been by people throwing litter. 

Fill in: 

spell

moved

reduce

grow

draw

give

harmful

lead

make

desperate

1) effects 

6) to aware 

2) to disaster 

7) to gas emissions 

3) to crops 

8) to a speech 

4) situation 

9) to be to tears 

5) to up a proposal 

10) to sb to consider sth 

Fill in: 

trapped

waste

spill

fumes

species

rising

effect

layer

- 1 The factory was fined for dumping industrial in a nearby lake. 
- 2 The tanker capsized causing a(n) oil along the east coast of the island. 
- 3 Due to the greenhouse , polar ice caps are melting. 
- 4 Cars emit exhaust which are a major cause of air pollution. 
- 5 The ozone protects us from harmful rays from the sun. 
- 6 Coral reefs are under threat because of sea temperatures. 
- 7 The Amazon River dolphin is a(n) endangered that needs our help to survive. 
- 8 Global warming is the problem caused by heat being by gases in the Earth's atmosphere.

Natural disasters

Read the news reports and choose the correct words. 

Citizens of the Caribbean

nation of Montserrat were

told to 1)  **abandon/evacuate** 

yesterday when one of the

island's 2)  **active/awake** 

volcanoes began to blow out clouds of

3)  **powder/ash**  . Fearing that an 4)  **eruption/explosion**  could occur, officials have organised boats to carry islanders to nearby Antigua.



A small earthquake has 5)  **knocked/hit**  north China in the last hour.

At the moment, there are no reports of 6)  **casualties/sufferers**  , but a small number of buildings have 7)  **destroyed/collapsed**  . Officials have warned that there could be 8)  **aftershocks/afterthoughts**  and encouraged people to stay 9)  **outdoors/outside**  for the time being.

The weather

Fill in: ...

frost

blizzard

downpours

minus

torrential

forecast

bitterly

gusts

Here's the weather 1) ... for Friday 9th February. Those in the capital should take their umbrellas with them tomorrow, as we expect 2) ... and perhaps even 3) ... rain throughout the day. Also, it will be 4) ... cold with severe 5) ... and temperatures reaching as low as 6) ... five. There's even worse news for the north of the country where a 7) ... is due to bring over 5 feet of snow during the night. The east will have slightly warmer weather, though drivers should be aware of strong 8) ... blowing in off the coast which could knock down trees.

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Social issues

a) Match the social issues (A-F) to the pictures (1-6). ...

A poor sanitation

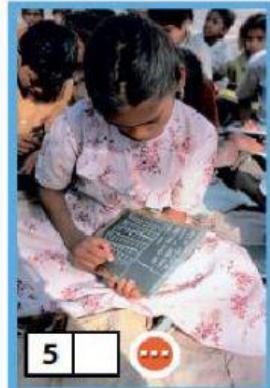
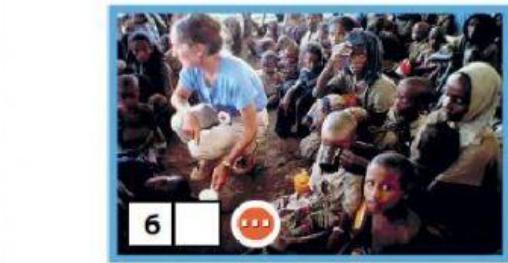
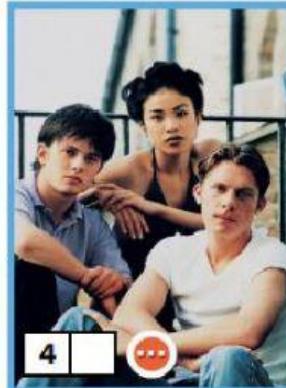
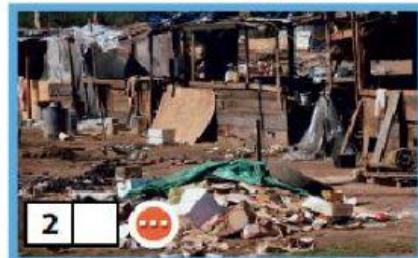
B famine

C racial discrimination

D war

E illiteracy

F homelessness



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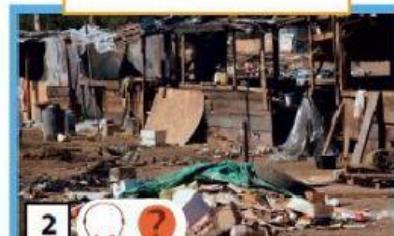
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b) Suggest one way to solve each problem. Tell the class.



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war



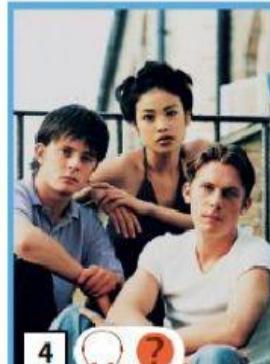
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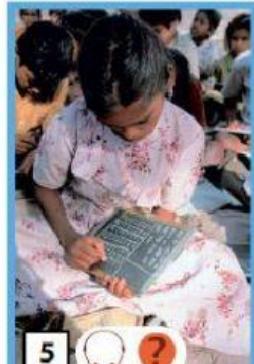
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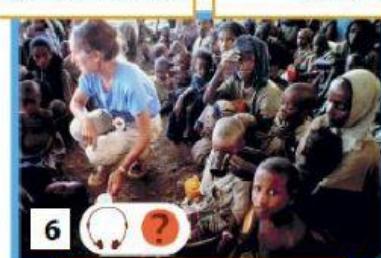
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racial discrimination



5  

illiteracy



6  

famine