

Environmental News

You're going to listen to a programme with news from different places around the world. All the news items are about environmental issues.

After each news item there are some questions. You can write while you're listening, but you'll be given time to answer the questions after each item.

Listen carefully. You'll only hear each news item **once**.

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(Denmark)

1 In about 25 years' time _____ per cent (%) of Denmark's electricity will be produced by windmills.

2 The windmills will be built out at sea. Why?

- A In the countryside they destroy wildlife
- B Offshore they don't disturb as much
- C It's more expensive onshore
- D They have negative health effects



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(India)

3 Why do the Indian farmers use chemicals?

To...

- A stop the extinction of peacocks
- B help researchers study the grains
- C keep the peacocks away from the fields
- D prevent insects from eating the seeds

4 How can you tell that the peacocks are poisoned?

They...

- A attack the farmers
- B can't eat
- C become very weak
- D hide in the trees



(The United States)

5 How do the water restrictions influence people's lives?

People...

- A can't take water from the river without permission
- B are recommended to have barbecues
- C are not allowed to flush their toilets
- D can only water their gardens five times a month

6 The new water limit per person in Electra is _____ gallons per month.



(Ireland)

7 The *Vertigo Angustior* snails are special because they...

- A are the only snails to be found in Ireland
- B are a very old kind of animal
- C have stopped people from playing golf
- D will be treated with weedkiller



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8 What did the court decide?

- A The snails must be studied regularly
- B The grass must be kept short and tidy
- C The building plans must be given up at once
- D The snails must be removed from the golf course



(Canada)

9 After the oil spills in the Pine River...

- A water reservoirs have been destroyed
- B lots of oil barrels have disappeared
- C animal life is seriously damaged
- D several fires have occurred

10 The water reserves in Chetwynd can last for _____



(Peru)

11 What is reported about the Indians of Peru?

They...

- A don't know how to cure tuberculosis
- B will send students to Washington University
- C learn medical practice from Dr. Lewis
- D teach researchers about useful plants

12 What is said about tuberculosis?

- A A cure for it has been found recently
- B People thought it no longer existed in the US
- C People suffering from it become aggressive
- D It only affects people living in poor conditions



(Russia)

(This news item is very short.)

13 What is said about the weather?

- A There was too little rain
- B Temperatures were never below zero
- C Warm weather was followed by cold
- D It was an extremely cold winter

14 Why did the reindeer die?

They...

- A could not find food
- B froze to death
- C sank into the ground
- D ate rotten food



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