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The 4 page 60 minute ESL British English lesson – 15/11/15

Paris horror – Islamic State claim responsibility – on Friday 13th

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SPEAKING – WARM UP

Think of three things you know about the recent Paris attacks by Islamic State. Go round the room swapping details with others.

LISTENING – WRITING - DICTATION

The teacher will read some lines of the article slowly to the class.

READING

Students should now read the article aloud, swapping readers every paragraph.

SPEAKING - UNDERSTANDING

1) The article – Students check any unknown vocabulary or phrases with the teacher.

2) The article - Students should look through the article with the teacher.

- 1) What is the article about?
- 2) What do you think about the article?
- 3) Was this an easy or difficult article to understand?
- 4) Was this a boring or interesting article?
- 5) Discuss the article.
- 6) What is the latest on this news story?

3) Article quiz - Students quiz each other in pairs. Score a point for each correct answer. Score half a point each time you have to look at the article for help. See who can get the highest score!

Student A questions

- 1) Name the capital.
- 2) Name the magazine.
- 3) Name the president.
- 4) Who were the terrorists?
- 5) How many people were killed?

Student B questions

- 1) Name the sports stadium.
- 2) What did the French President wowed?
- 3) What did the French president declare?
- 4) Who was playing football?
- 5) What is an AK-47?

Category: France / Paris / ISIS attack
Level: Intermediate / Upper Intermediate

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WRITING / SPEAKING

In pairs. On the board write as many words as you can about '**Paris horror**'. *One-two minutes.* Compare with other teams. Using your words compile a short dialogue together.

SPEAKING – DISCUSSION 1

WRITING / SPEAKING

In pairs – Three things you know about the Paris terrorist attacks. Write them below. Discuss!

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

Add three new facts about this news story.

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

SPEAKING 3

*Student A is a reporter in Paris for CNN. It is the next afternoon in Paris following the attack that took place last night (Imagine!) Describe the scene at one location then hand the reporting over to your colleague – Student B who is in another part of Paris. 5 mins. **The teacher** can moderate and get some students to act out their situations.*

DISCUSSION

Student A questions

- 1) What do you think about what you've read?
- 2) Where were you when you heard of this attack?
- 3) How have the media reported this story?
- 4) How did the social media respond to this attack?
- 5) How have the Parisians responded to this attack?
- 6) How will Europe react to this response?
- 7) Are left wing policies and left wing do-gooders partly responsible for causing this situation?
- 8) What more can France do to protect itself?
- 9) Will there be a backlash against Muslims in Europe?
- 10) Have you learnt anything today?

SPEAKING – ROLEPLAY 1

In groups. One of you is the interviewer. The others are one of the following people. You are in the *Discussion FM radio studio*. Today's interview is about: *Paris horror – Islamic State claim responsibility – on Friday 13th.*

- 1) A tourist who was in the Bataclan Concert Hall.
- 2) A sports fan who was in the sports stadium.
- 3) Someone who near to Le Petit Cambodge at the time of the attack.
- 4) The French President.

***The teacher** will choose some groups to roleplay their interview in front of the class.*

SPEAKING - DISCUSSION 2

Allow 10 minutes – As a class. Allow 10 minutes – As a class.

Discuss the following...
Paris horror – Islamic State claim responsibility – on Friday 13th
What else do we know now!
Your thoughts as a class!

***The teacher** can moderate the session.*

DISCUSSION

Student B questions

- 1) Did the headline make you want to read the article?
- 2) Have you ever visited Paris? If yes, when?
- 3) How bad is this attack in Paris by Islamic State?
- 4) How have the French authorities reacted?
- 5) How has the world reacted?
- 6) Are we heading towards World War III?
- 7) How has France reacted in its response to the attack?
- 8) Is reinstating border controls just a little too late?
- 9) Will the Schengen borders now collapse as country by country reinstates its own borders?
- 10) Did you like this discussion?

GAP FILL: READING

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The latest terrorist (4)___ was the worst such attack Paris has experienced since World War II. The French President Monsieur Hollande called the coordinated attacks "an act of (5)___."

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So far, the death toll has reached 129, though this figure is expected to rise (7)___. More than 180 others were injured. Seven of the eight (8)___ were killed in suicide bombings.

war / attack / emergency / nationwide / terrorists / significantly / incident / precisely

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stadium / mourning / quickly / militant / ruthless / instantly / bar / border controls

GAP FILL: GRAMMAR

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of / in / so / it / though / more / such / just

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GAP FILL: LISTENING

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WRITING/SPELLING

WRITING / SPEAKING

1) On the board - *In pairs/As a class*, list 20 things you know about Islamic State. *One-two minutes. Talk about each of them.*

2) Sentence starters - Finish these sentence starters. Correct your mistakes. Compare what other people have written.

- 1) In Paris _____
- 2) Islamic State _____
- 3) The French president _____

3) Write down 50 words about: *Paris horror – Islamic State claim responsibility – on Friday 13th.* Your words can be read out in class.

4) Homework - Write and send a 200 word email to your teacher about: ***Paris horror – Islamic State claim responsibility – on Friday 13th.*** Your email can be read out in class.

SPELLING

The teacher will ask the class individually to spell the following words that are in the article. Afterwards check your answers.

- 1) magazine
- 2) incident
- 3) responsibility
- 4) terrorist
- 5) militants
- 6) precisely
- 7) targets
- 8) latest
- 9) though
- 10) significantly

SPELLING

Use the following ratings:

- Pass = 12**
- Good = 15**
- Very good = 18**
- Excellent = 20**

- 11) mourning
- 12) which
- 13) toll
- 14) quickly
- 15) immediately
- 16) ruthless
- 17) response
- 18) rise
- 19) worst
- 20) nationwide

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