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THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1312/131224-news-1.html>

The BreakingNewsEnglish.com site says news is good for students. It asked teachers and students about using news to learn English. Almost everyone said it was important. One student enjoyed using news because it is real. He remembered when he saw a headline on the board and was surprised that it was that day's breaking news. Another student liked news more than other topics. She felt good when she understood English news and "international vocabulary".

Teachers liked using news in their lessons. They made listening slower to help their students. Teachers said news was good to help with speaking. Students talked non-stop about news of their own country or city. News is useful because students have background knowledge about it from their own language. Teachers also liked doing many kinds of activities, such as role plays and games. One teacher said news was "unhealthy for students".

Source: Sean Banville

VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. It asked teachers and students | a. than other topics |
| 2. Almost everyone said it | b. news |
| 3. One student enjoyed using news | c. good |
| 4. he saw a headline | d. about using news |
| 5. it was that day's breaking | e. because it is real |
| 6. Another student liked news more | f. English news |
| 7. She felt | g. was important |
| 8. she understood | h. on the board |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---|-----------------------|
| 1. Teachers liked | a. of activities |
| 2. made listening slower to help | b. using news |
| 3. news was good to | c. for students |
| 4. Students talked non- | d. plays |
| 5. background | e. their students |
| 6. Teachers also liked doing many kinds | f. stop about news |
| 7. role | g. knowledge |
| 8. One teacher said news was unhealthy | h. help with speaking |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The BreakingNewsEnglish.com (1) _____ is good for students. It asked teachers and (2) _____ news to learn English. (3) _____ said it was important. One student enjoyed using news because it is real. He remembered when (4) _____ on the board and was surprised that it was (5) _____ news. Another student liked news more (6) _____. She felt good when she understood English news and "international vocabulary".

Teachers liked using news (7) _____. They made listening slower to help their students. Teachers said news was good to (8) _____. Students talked non-stop about news of their (9) _____ city. News is useful because students have (10) _____ about it from their own language. Teachers also liked doing many kinds of activities, (11) _____ and games. One teacher said news was " (12) _____ ".

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)

WRITING

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Write about **English news** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner's paper.
