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**Level 1 – 18th July 2024**

## **US Secret Service faces questions over Trump**

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**Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.**

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240718-secret-service-1.html>

The US Secret Service is facing questions after the shooting of Donald Trump. A shooter climbed onto the roof of a building just 130 metres from Mr Trump. People at the event told police there was a man with a rifle on the building. The director of the Secret Service said the shooting "was unacceptable" and should never have happened. She added: "The Secret Service is responsible for the protection of the former President. The buck stops with me."

Mr Trump was speaking to supporters at a campaign rally. The 20-year-old gunman fired eight shots. One bullet hit Mr Trump's ear. Secret Service officers quickly protected Trump. They rushed him to safety to a nearby car. One man died and two people were seriously injured in the shooting. A sniper shot and killed the gunman. Mr Trump thanked God for "preventing the unthinkable". He was well enough to go to a convention on Monday.

Sources: <https://edition.cnn.com/2024/07/15/politics/secret-service-director-interview/index.html>  
<https://www.nytimes.com/2024/07/15/us/politics/secret-service-security-roof-trump-shooting.html>  
<https://www.foxnews.com/media/secret-service-director-ripped-unacceptable-response-trump-assassination-attempt-mind-boggling>

# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240718-secret-service-1.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                               |                         |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. The US Secret Service is   | a. responsible          |
| 2. A shooter climbed onto the | b. from Mr Trump        |
| 3. just 130 metres            | c. stops with me        |
| 4. there was a man            | d. unacceptable         |
| 5. the shooting was           | e. the former President |
| 6. The Secret Service is      | f. with a rifle         |
| 7. the protection of          | g. facing questions     |
| 8. The buck                   | h. roof of a building   |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                    |                      |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. The 20-year-old gunman fired    | a. unthinkable       |
| 2. Secret Service officers quickly | b. injured           |
| 3. They rushed him                 | c. enough to go      |
| 4. two people were seriously       | d. eight shots       |
| 5. A sniper shot and               | e. God               |
| 6. Mr Trump thanked                | f. to safety         |
| 7. preventing the                  | g. protected Trump   |
| 8. He was well                     | h. killed the gunman |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240718-secret-service-1.html>

The US Secret Service (1) \_\_\_\_\_ after the shooting of Donald Trump. A shooter climbed (2) \_\_\_\_\_ of a building just 130 metres from Mr Trump. People at the event told police there was a man (3) \_\_\_\_\_ on the building. The director of the Secret Service said the shooting "was unacceptable" and (4) \_\_\_\_\_ happened. She added: "The Secret Service is responsible (5) \_\_\_\_\_ of the former President. The (6) \_\_\_\_\_ me."

Mr Trump was (7) \_\_\_\_\_ at a campaign rally. The 20-year-old gunman (8) \_\_\_\_\_. One bullet hit Mr Trump's ear. Secret Service (9) \_\_\_\_\_ Trump. They rushed him to safety to a nearby car. One man died and two people were (10) \_\_\_\_\_ the shooting. A sniper shot and killed the gunman. Mr Trump (11) \_\_\_\_\_ "preventing the unthinkable". He was (12) \_\_\_\_\_ go to a convention on Monday.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# SECRET SERVICE SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240718-secret-service-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about Secret Service 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.

## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

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

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

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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) \_\_\_\_\_

