



BBC RADIO 4 NEWS

Tuesday, 3rd July 2012

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ELEMENTARY: FILL IN THE MISSING WORDS

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2. A _____ ago Barclays was fined a record amount.
3. Barclays had tried to manipulate inter-bank _____ rates.
4. Politicians on all _____ have _____ the news.
5. The BBC's political correspondent is _____ Brandt.
6. The chancellor, George Osborne, was told about the resignation _____.
7. He described Mr Diamond's decision to go as 'a first _____ towards a _____ of culture'.
8. The Labour leader Ed Miliband said Mr Diamond's resignation was 'necessary and _____'.
9. However, he added that it was about more than one _____.
10. Bob Diamond is due to appear before MPs _____ to answer _____.
11. His resignation could _____ him up to reveal more than originally planned.
12. The Government is _____ to _____ a parliamentary inquiry.
13. It wants the inquiry to be over by _____.
14. Labour are demanding a _____ independent public inquiry.

15. The Government says it's making urgent _____ to the care system for _____ in England.
16. This follows a case in Rochdale where _____ were sent to prison for exploiting vulnerable _____.
17. Security _____ be improved at children's _____.
18. More will be done to ensure children are _____ to homes _____ to where they _____ previously.

19. The campaign group Human Rights _____ says it has evidence that Syria has committed crimes against humanity.
20. It describes the _____ of detention facilities and methods of torture used.

21. The Syrian _____ Bashar al-Assad has told a Turkish _____ he regrets 100% the shooting down of a _____ fighter jet last _____.
22. He said his air defence forces suspected the plane was _____.

23. The Olympic Torch has been carried into the _____ by a man wearing a jet pack.
24. Eric Scott _____ with the torch at the National _____ Centre in Leicester.
25. He then handed it over to the day's first _____, Kevin Davies.



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1. The CEO of Barclays, Bob **Diamond**, has resigned with immediate effect.
2. A **week** ago Barclays was fined a record amount.
3. Barclays had tried to manipulate inter-bank **lending** rates.
4. Politicians on all **sides** have **welcomed** the news.
5. The BBC's political correspondent is **Robin** Brandt.
6. The chancellor, George Osborne, was told about the resignation **last night**.
7. He described Mr Diamond's decision to go as 'a first **step** towards a **change** of culture'.
8. The Labour leader Ed Miliband said Mr Diamond's resignation was 'necessary and **right**'.
9. However, he added that it was about more than one **man**.
10. Bob Diamond is due to appear before MPs **tomorrow** to answer **questions**.
11. His resignation could **free** him up to reveal more than originally planned.
12. The Government is **planning** to **set up** a parliamentary inquiry.
13. It wants the inquiry to be over by **Christmas**.
14. Labour are demanding a **wider** independent public inquiry.

15. The Government says it's making urgent **changes** to the care system for **children** in England.
16. This follows a case in Rochdale where **nine men** were sent to prison for exploiting vulnerable **teenage girls**.
17. Security **will** be improved at children's **homes**.
18. More will be done to ensure children are **sent** to homes **closer** to where they **lived** previously.

19. The campaign group Human Rights **Watch** says it has evidence that Syria has committed crimes against humanity.
20. It describes the **locations** of detention facilities and methods of torture used.

21. The Syrian **president** Bashar al-Assad has told a Turkish **newspaper** he regrets 100% the shooting down of a **Turkish** fighter jet last **month**.
22. He said his air defence forces suspected the plane was **Israeli**.

23. The Olympic Torch has been carried into the **air** by a man wearing a jet pack.
24. Eric Scott **took off** with the torch at the National **Space** Centre in Leicester.
25. He then handed it over to the day's first **runner**, Kevin Davies.



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INTERMEDIATE: QUESTIONS

1. What is the name of the chief executive of Barclays Bank?
2. What has he done with immediate effect?
3. What happened to Barclays a week ago? *It was _____ a record _____.*
4. What rates had Barclays tried to manipulate? _____ - _____
rates
5. What have politicians on all sides done?
6. What is the BBC's political correspondent's first name?
7. When was the chancellor, George Osborne, told about the resignation?
8. What is the resignation a first step towards, according to Mr Osborne? *a*
_____ of _____
9. What does the resignation signify? *a _____ _____ of responsibility in*
banking
10. What did the Labour leader, Ed Miliband, say about the resignation? *That it was*
_____ and _____.
11. When is the ex-Barclays CEO due to appear before MPs to answer questions?
12. When does the Government want its parliamentary inquiry into banking to conclude?
13. What are Labour demanding? *a _____ independent public inquiry*

14. What is the Government making urgent changes to?
15. Who were jailed in Rochdale for exploiting vulnerable teenage girls?
16. What will be improved at children's homes?
17. Where will children be sent to in future? *Homes _____ to where they*
_____ previously.

18. What is the name of the campaign group?
19. What crimes has Syria committed, according to this group?
20. Which facilities does the group describe the locations of?
21. What is used at these facilities?

22. Who was Syria's president interviewed by?
23. What did Syria shoot down last month?
24. What did Syria's air defence forces suspect? *That the plane was _____.*

25. What has happened to the Olympic Torch?
26. Where in Leicester did the stuntman take off with the torch?
27. Who is Kevin Davies?



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2. What has he done with immediate effect? **He has resigned.**
3. What happened to Barclays a week ago? **It was fined a record amount.**
4. What rates had Barclays tried to manipulate? **inter-bank lending rates**
5. What have politicians on all sides done? **They have welcomed the news.**
6. What is the BBC's political correspondent's first name? **Robin**
7. When was the chancellor, George Osborne, told about the resignation? **last night**
8. What is the resignation a first step towards, according to Mr Osborne? **a change of culture**
9. What does the resignation signify? **a new age of responsibility in banking**
10. What did the Labour leader, Ed Miliband, say about the resignation? **That it was necessary and right.**
11. When is the ex-Barclays CEO due to appear before MPs to answer questions? **tomorrow**
12. When does the Government want its parliamentary inquiry into banking to conclude? **by Christmas**
13. What are Labour demanding? **a wider independent public inquiry**

14. What is the Government making urgent changes to? **the care system for children in England**
15. Who were jailed in Rochdale for exploiting vulnerable teenage girls? **nine men**
16. What will be improved at children's homes? **security**
17. Where will children be sent to in future? **Homes closer to where they lived previously.**

18. What is the name of the campaign group? **Human Rights Watch**
19. What crimes has Syria committed, according to this group? **crimes against humanity**
20. Which facilities does the group describe the locations of? **detention facilities**
21. What is used at these facilities? **torture**

22. Who was Syria's president interviewed by? **a Turkish newspaper**
23. What did Syria shoot down last month? **a Turkish fighter jet**
24. What did Syria's air defence forces suspect? **That the plane was Israeli.**

25. What has happened to the Olympic Torch? **It has been carried into the air by a man wearing a jet pack.**
26. Where in Leicester did the stuntman take off with the torch? **at the National Space Centre**
27. Who is Kevin Davies? **He's the day's first runner.**



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 4. It had tried to manipulate intra-banking lending rates.
 5. Some politicians are angry about the resignation.
 6. George Osborne has known about the resignation for days.
 7. He described Mr Diamond's decision to leave as 'a first step towards a change of culture and a new age of responsibility in banking'.
 8. The Liberal leader Ed Miliband said it was 'necessary and right'.
 9. Mr Diamond is due to be questioned by police tomorrow.
 10. Now he's resigned, he may be able to reveal more.
 11. The Government has set up a parliamentary inquiry to call witnesses under oath.
 12. It wants the inquiry to be over by Christmas.
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13. The Government is going to make urgent changes to the car system for children in England.
 14. Nine men were jailed in Rochdale for exploiting vulnerable teenage girls.
 15. Food will be improved at children's homes.
 16. In future more efforts will be made to send children to homes closer to where they lived previously.
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2. He will leave the bank at the end of the month. (F He has resigned 'with immediate effect'.)
3. A week ago Barclays was fined a record amount. (T)
4. It had tried to manipulate intra-banking lending rates. (F 'inter-bank lending rates')
5. Some politicians are angry about the resignation. (F 'Politicians on all sides have welcomed the news.')
6. George Osborne has known about the resignation for days. (F 'George Osborne was told about the resignation last night.')
7. He described Mr Diamond's decision to leave as 'a first step towards a change of culture and a new age of responsibility in banking'. (T)
8. The Liberal leader Ed Miliband said it was 'necessary and right'. (F 'The Labour leader Ed Miliband...')
9. Mr Diamond is due to be questioned by police tomorrow. (F 'Bob Diamond is due to appear before MPs tomorrow to answer questions.')
10. Now he's resigned, he may be able to reveal more. (T 'His resignation could free him up to reveal more than originally planned.')
11. The Government has set up a parliamentary inquiry to call witnesses under oath. (F 'The Government is planning to set up a parliamentary inquiry...' i.e. It hasn't done so yet.)
12. It wants the inquiry to be over by Christmas. (T 'which it wants to conclude by Christmas')
13. The Government is going to make urgent changes to the car system for children in England. (F 'the care system')
14. Nine men were jailed in Rochdale for exploiting vulnerable teenage girls. (T)
15. Food will be improved at children's homes. (F 'Security will be improved...')
16. In future more efforts will be made to send children to homes closer to where they lived previously. (T 'More will also be done to ensure children are sent to homes closer to where they lived previously.')
17. The camping group Human Rights Watch says it has evidence that Syria has committed crimes against humanity. (F 'The campaign group')
18. The group documents the locations of detention facilities and outlines the methods of torture used. (T)
19. The Syrian president has appeared on Turkish television. (F He 'has told a Turkish newspaper...')
20. He said he regretted 100% the shooting down of a Turkish passenger jet. (F 'a Turkish fighter jet')
21. The president said his air defence forces suspected the jet was Israeli. (T)
22. The Olympic Torch has been carried into the air by a man wearing a jump pack. (F 'a jet pack')
23. The stuntman, Eric Scott, took off with the torch at the International Space Centre in Leicester. (F 'the National Space Centre')
24. He then threw it to the day's first runner, Kevin Davies. (F 'before handing it over to the day's first runner, Kevin Davies')