



**BBC RADIO 4 NEWS**  
Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> April 2012  
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**ELEMENTARY: FILL IN THE MISSING WORDS**

1. Abu Hamza and \_\_\_\_\_ other suspected terrorists have \_\_\_\_\_ their \_\_\_\_\_ legal battle to avoid extradition to the USA.
2. The European Court \_\_\_\_\_ Human Rights ruled that it was lawful to \_\_\_\_\_ them for trial.
3. The BBC's \_\_\_\_\_ affairs correspondent is Danny Shaw.
4. Abu Hamza and \_\_\_\_\_ other \_\_\_\_\_ said that if they were convicted in the USA they'd \_\_\_\_\_ inhuman and degrading treatment.
5. They said they would serve \_\_\_\_\_ sentences without parole in a \_\_\_\_\_ security supermax prison.
6. The court said it needed more information on Haroon Aswat, \_\_\_\_\_ suffers \_\_\_\_\_ mental health problems.
7. The court said conditions in the prison in \_\_\_\_\_ wouldn't breach \_\_\_\_\_ human rights.
  
8. Opposition activists in Syria say shelling is continuing in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Homs and Hama.
9. This is despite assurances that government forces would \_\_\_\_\_ from urban areas today.
10. The \_\_\_\_\_ foreign minister, Sergei Lavrov, says Syrian officials say they're committed to Kofi Annan's \_\_\_\_\_ plan.
  
11. North Korea is planning to launch a rocket as part of the centennial \_\_\_\_\_ commemorations for its founder Kim Il-sung.
12. \_\_\_\_\_ Korea has said it will \_\_\_\_\_ the rocket if it enters \_\_\_\_\_ territory.
13. North Korea insists it's a \_\_\_\_\_ satellite.
14. However, countries including \_\_\_\_\_ and the USA believe it's a cover for a missile test.
  
15. Two suicide bombings in Afghanistan have left at least \_\_\_\_\_ people dead.
16. Nine people died when a \_\_\_\_\_ was blown up \_\_\_\_\_ a government \_\_\_\_\_ in Herat province in \_\_\_\_\_ Afghanistan.
17. Officials in Helmand in the \_\_\_\_\_ say eight \_\_\_\_\_ died in an attack on a compound in Musa Qala.
  
18. David Cameron has welcomed the \_\_\_\_\_ that Nissan is going to produce \_\_\_\_\_ new \_\_\_\_\_ in Sunderland.
19. He said it will create thousands of \_\_\_\_\_.
20. Mr Cameron is in \_\_\_\_\_ at the moment on a tour designed to boost trade and \_\_\_\_\_.



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2. The European Court of Human Rights ruled that it was lawful to send them for trial.
3. The BBC's home affairs correspondent is Danny Shaw.
4. Abu Hamza and five other men said that if they were convicted in the USA they'd face inhuman and degrading treatment.
5. They said they would serve life sentences without parole in a top security supermax prison.
6. The court said it needed more information on Haroon Aswat, who suffers from mental health problems.
7. The court said conditions in the prison in Colorado wouldn't breach their human rights.
  
8. Opposition activists in Syria say shelling is continuing in the cities of Homs and Hama.
9. This is despite assurances that government forces would withdraw from urban areas today.
10. The Russian foreign minister, Sergei Lavrov, says Syrian officials say they're committed to Kofi Annan's peace plan.
  
11. North Korea is planning to launch a rocket as part of the centennial birthday commemorations for its founder Kim Il-sung.
12. South Korea has said it will shoot down the rocket if it enters its territory.
13. North Korea insists it's a weather satellite.
14. However, countries including Britain and the USA believe it's a cover for a missile test.
  
15. Two suicide bombings in Afghanistan have left at least 17 people dead.
16. Nine people died when a car was blown up outside a government office in Herat province in western Afghanistan.
17. Officials in Helmand in the south say eight policemen died in an attack on a compound in Musa Qala.
  
18. David Cameron has welcomed the news that Nissan is going to produce its new hatchback in Sunderland.
19. He said it will create thousands of jobs.
20. Mr Cameron is in Japan at the moment on a tour designed to boost trade and investment.



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**INTERMEDIATE: QUESTIONS**

1. Where were Abu Hamza and four other suspected terrorists anxious not to be extradited to?
2. Have they won their legal case?
3. Which court made the decision?
4. How does Danny Shaw describe Abu Hamza?
5. How long do the five men expect to serve in jail if they are found guilty in the USA?
6. Where will they serve their sentences?
7. What problems does Haroon Aswat suffer from?
8. Where is the prison the men will be sent to?
9. Which word do you hear after 'grossly'?
  
10. What is continuing in the Syrian cities of Homs and Hama, according to opposition activists?
11. Which verb means the same as 'to pull out'?
12. Who is Sergei Lavrov?
13. What has Kofi Annan negotiated in Syria?
  
14. What is North Korea planning to launch?
15. How long is it since the founder of North Korea, Kim Il-sung, was born?
16. What has South Korea said it will do if the rocket enters its territory?
17. What does North Korea insist the rocket is?
18. Which two countries, among others, believe the launch is a cover for a missile test?
  
19. How many people have been killed in two suicide bombings in Afghanistan?
20. What was blown up outside a government office in Herat province?
21. Where is Herat province?
22. Where is Helmand province?
23. Who died in an attack on a compound in Musa Qala?
  
24. What is the carmaker Nissan going to produce in Sunderland?
25. How many jobs will this create, according to Mr Cameron?
26. Where is Mr Cameron at the moment?
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**INTERMEDIATE: ANSWERS**

1. Where were Abu Hamza and four other suspected terrorists anxious not to be extradited to? **the United States/the USA/the US**
2. Have they won their legal case? **No. They 'have lost their battle'.**
3. Which court made the decision? **the European Court of Human Rights**
4. How does Danny Shaw describe Abu Hamza? **as 'The radical preacher'**
5. How long do the five men expect to serve in jail if they are found guilty in the USA? **life**
6. Where will they serve their sentences? **in a top security supermax prison**
7. What problems does Haroon Aswat suffer from? **mental health problems**
8. Where is the prison the men will be sent to? **It's in Colorado.**
9. Which word do you hear after 'grossly'? **'disproportionate'**
  
10. What is continuing in the Syrian cities of Homs and Hama, according to opposition activists? **shelling**
11. Which verb means the same as 'to pull out'? **'to withdraw'**
12. Who is Sergei Lavrov? **He's the Russian foreign minister.**
13. What has Kofi Annan negotiated in Syria? **a peace plan**
  
14. What is North Korea planning to launch? **a rocket**
15. How long is it since the founder of North Korea, Kim Il-sung, was born? **100 years (This is his 'centennial'.)**
16. What has South Korea said it will do if the rocket enters its territory? **It has said it will shoot it down.**
17. What does North Korea insist the rocket is? **a weather satellite**
18. Which two countries, among others, believe the launch is a cover for a missile test? **Britain and the USA**
  
19. How many people have been killed in two suicide bombings in Afghanistan? **at least 17**
20. What was blown up outside a government office in Herat province? **a car**
21. Where is Herat province? **It's in western Afghanistan.**
22. Where is Helmand province? **It's in southern Afghanistan.**
23. Who died in an attack on a compound in Musa Qala? **eight policemen**
  
24. What is the carmaker Nissan going to produce in Sunderland? **its new hatchback**
25. How many jobs will this create, according to Mr Cameron? **thousands**
26. Where is Mr Cameron at the moment? **He's in Japan.**
27. What is it hoped his visit there will boost? **trade and investment**



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**ADVANCED: TRUE/FALSE**

1. Abu Hamza and four other convicted terrorists have lost their battle against extradition to the USA.
2. The European Court of Human Rights ruled that it was lawful to send them for trial.
3. Danny Shaw describes Abu Hamza as a 'radical teacher'.
4. Abu Hamza and five other men claimed that if found guilty in the USA, they'd face inhuman and degrading treatment.
5. They said they would go to prison for life, with no prospect of early release.
6. They said they would be sent to a top security superman prison.
7. The court said it needed more information about one suspect, Haroon Aswat.
8. Haroon Aswat is physically frail.
9. The court said conditions in the Colorado prison wouldn't breach the five men's human rights.
10. The men said that the prison sentence they might receive would not match the crimes.
  
11. Opposition activists in Syria say protests are continuing in the cities of Homs and Hama.
12. There had been assurances that government forces would pull out of urban areas today.
13. The national envoy Kofi Annan has negotiated a peace plan.
  
14. North Korea has been urged to postpone its plans to launch a rocket as part of the centennial birthday commemorations for its founder, Kim Il-sung.
15. South Korea says it will shoot the rocket down as soon as it's launched.
16. North Korea isn't saying whether it will launch the rocket.
17. Britain, the USA and other countries believe the launch is really a cover for a missile test.
  
18. Two suicide bombings in Afghanistan have resulted in the deaths of at least 17 people.
19. Nine people were killed when a cow was blown up outside a government office in Herat province.
20. Officials say eight policemen lost their lives in an attack on a car pound in Musa Qala in Helmand province.
  
21. Nissan is going to produce its new hatchback in Sunderland.
22. David Cameron said this would create a thousand jobs.
23. Mr Cameron is visiting Japan on a tour designed to boost training and investment.



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1. Abu Hamza and four other convicted terrorists have lost their battle against extradition to the USA. (F 'Abu Hamza and four other suspected terrorists...')
2. The European Court of Human Rights ruled that it was lawful to send them for trial. (T)
3. Danny Shaw describes Abu Hamza as a 'radical teacher'. (F 'The radical preacher')
4. Abu Hamza and five other men claimed that if found guilty in the USA, they'd face inhuman and degrading treatment. (T 'if convicted [i.e. found guilty] in America')
5. They said they would go to prison for life, with no prospect of early release. (T 'serving life sentences without parole')
6. They said they would be sent to a top security supermax prison. (F 'supermax prison')
7. The court said it needed more information about one suspect, Haroon Aswat. (T 'it needed further details [i.e. more information] about one suspect')
8. Haroon Aswat is physically frail. (F 'who suffers from mental health problems')
9. The court said conditions in the Colorado prison wouldn't breach the five men's human rights. (F 'Colorado')
10. The men said that the prison sentence they might receive would not match the crimes. (T They said the sentences would be 'grossly disproportionate'.)
  
11. Opposition activists in Syria say protests are continuing in the cities of Homs and Hama. (F 'Opposition activists in Syria say shelling is continuing in the cities of Homs and Hama'.)
12. There had been assurances that government forces would pull out of urban areas today. (T 'to withdraw' = to pull out)
13. The national envoy Kofi Annan has negotiated a peace plan. (F 'the international envoy')
  
14. North Korea has been urged to postpone its plans to launch a rocket as part of the centennial birthday commemorations for its founder, Kim Il-sung. (F It has been urged to cancel the launch, not postpone it.)
15. South Korea says it will shoot the rocket down as soon as it's launched. (F 'South Korea has said it will shoot down the rocket if it enters its territory.')
16. North Korea isn't saying whether it will launch the rocket. (F 'North Korea insists it's a weather satellite...')
17. Britain, the USA and other countries believe the launch is really a cover for a missile test. (T)
  
18. Two suicide bombings in Afghanistan have resulted in the deaths of at least 17 people. (T 'have left at least 17 people dead')
19. Nine people were killed when a cow was blown up outside a government office in Herat province. (F 'a car', not a cow)
20. Officials say eight policemen lost their lives in an attack on a car pound in Musa Qala in Helmand province. (F 'in an attack on a compound')
  
21. Nissan is going to produce its new hatchback in Sunderland. (T)
22. David Cameron said this would create a thousand jobs. (F 'thousands of jobs')
23. Mr Cameron is visiting Japan on a tour designed to boost training and investment. (F 'to boost trade and investment')