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ELEMENTARY: CORRECT THE MISTAKE IN EACH SENTENCE

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3. It's supposed to provide trained athletes for the Olympic Games.
4. The Government has put 3,500 additional troops on a stand.
5. The chairman of the Commons Home Affairs Committee is Keith Baz.
6. He says he'll be asking for an exploration.
7. The private sector contractor has already received £248 million.
8. The Olympics are starting in less than two weeks.
9. The chairman said the security issue had been outstanding for six months.

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11. He's raised concerns about parking checks at Heathrow.
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13. Improvements to the processing of passengers from Oman have been implemented.

14. The Syrian ambassador to London has defected from President Assad's regime.
15. He has condemned 'the awful massacre' that government forces have committed against Syrians.
16. Nawaf Fares is the fourth senior diplomat to leave the Syrian regime since the start of the civil uprising.

17. At least six people have been killed in an avalanche in the Italian Alps.
18. The accident happened in Chamonix in the Mont Blanc region.
19. Over 20 people were injured.

20. Jewish and Muslim organisations across the USA are protesting about a German court ruling.
21. The court has outlawed the practice of circumcising grown men.
22. The court said that the circumcision of infants on religious grounds amounted to 'grievous bodily harm'.

23. The O2 phone network says a full service has been restored to thousands of mobile users.
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25. O2 is still trying to restore its 3J service.
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ELEMENTARY: ANSWERS

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2. The company is called G4F. **G4S**
3. It's supposed to provide trained athletes for the Olympic Games. **trained guards**
4. The Government has put 3,500 additional troops on a stand. **'on standby'**
5. The chairman of the Commons Home Affairs Committee is Keith Baz. **Keith Yaz**
6. He says he'll be asking for an exploration. **'an explanation'**
7. The private sector contractor has already received £248 million. **£284 million**
8. The Olympics are starting in less than two weeks. **They are starting in 15 days.**
9. The chairman said the security issue had been outstanding for six months. **for six years**

10. John Fine is the Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration. **John Vine**
11. He's raised concerns about parking checks at Heathrow. **passport checks**
12. He says former immigration officers with only basic hygiene will be used to cut queues. **with only basic training**
13. Improvements to the processing of passengers from Oman have been implemented. **passengers from overseas**

14. The Syrian ambassador to London has defected from President Assad's regime. **The Syrian ambassador to Iraq**
15. He has condemned 'the awful massacre' that government forces have committed against Syrians. **'the horrible massacre'**
16. Nawaf Fares is the fourth senior diplomat to leave the Syrian regime since the start of the civil uprising. **the first senior diplomat**

17. At least six people have been killed in an avalanche in the Italian Alps. **in the French Alps**
18. The accident happened in Chamonix in the Mont Blanc region. **near Chamonix**
19. Over 20 people were injured. **'Eight others were injured.'**

20. Jewish and Muslim organisations across the USA are protesting about a German court ruling. **across Europe**
21. The court has outlawed the practice of circumcising grown men. **young boys**
22. The court said that the circumcision of infants on religious grounds amounted to 'grievous bodily harm'. **'grievous bodily harm'**

23. The O2 phone network says a full service has been restored to thousands of mobile users. **a limited service**
24. The O2 network crashed on Tuesday. **'its network crashed yesterday'**
25. O2 is still trying to restore its 3J service. **its 3G service**
26. This service is used for international calls. **'used for downloading data'**



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INTERMEDIATE: GAP-FILL

1. Ministers say they only _____ a fortnight _____ that the private security company _____ was having problems supplying _____ trained guards for the Olympic Games.
2. The Government has put _____ additional troops on _____.
3. The _____ of the Commons _____ Affairs Committee is Keith Vaz.
4. He says _____ be asking _____ an explanation.
5. Mr Vaz says 'It's _____ alarming to _____ that the _____ sector contractor, who's received £ _____ million, is unable to fulfil its obligations.'
6. The Olympic Games will start in _____.
7. Mr Vaz said the security issue had been outstanding for _____ and was not 'a _____ fix'.

8. The Chief Inspector of _____ and Immigration is _____.
9. He's raised concerns about _____ checks at _____ during the Olympic Games.
10. He says former immigration officers with only _____ training will be _____ to _____.
11. Improvements to the processing of passengers from _____ have been implemented.

12. The Syrian ambassador _____ Iraq has defected _____ President Assad's regime.
13. He condemned 'the _____ massacre' that's been committed against Syrians _____ government forces.
14. Nawaf Fares is the _____ senior diplomat to leave the Syrian government _____ the civil uprising began.

15. At _____ six people have been killed in an _____ in the French Alps.
16. Emergency services have been _____ to the scene of the _____ near Chamonix in the Mont Blanc _____.
17. Eight other people were _____.

18. Jewish and _____ organisations across _____ are up in arms.
19. They are protesting at the ruling of a court in _____ that has _____ the practice of circumcising _____.
20. The court in Cologne said that the circumcision of infants on _____ grounds _____ to grievous bodily _____.

21. The _____ phone _____ says a limited service has been restored to _____ of mobile _____ after its network _____ yesterday.
22. It's _____ trying to restore its _____ service which is used for _____ data.



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INTERMEDIATE: ANSWERS

1. Ministers say they only found out a fortnight ago that the private security company G4S was having problems supplying enough trained guards for the Olympic Games.
2. The Government has put 3,500 additional troops on standby.
3. The chairman of the Commons Home Affairs Committee is Keith Vaz.
4. He says he'll be asking for an explanation.
5. Mr Vaz says 'It's pretty alarming to find out that the private sector contractor, who's received £284 million, is unable to fulfil its obligations.'
6. The Olympic Games will start in 15 days.
7. Mr Vaz said the security issue had been outstanding for six years and was not 'a quick fix'.

8. The Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration is John Vine.
9. He's raised concerns about passport checks at Heathrow during the Olympic Games.
10. He says former immigration officers with only basic training will be used to cut queues.
11. Improvements to the processing of passengers from overseas have been implemented.

12. The Syrian ambassador to Iraq has defected from President Assad's regime.
13. He condemned 'the horrible massacre' that's been committed against Syrians by government forces.
14. Nawaf Fares is the first senior diplomat to leave the Syrian government since the civil uprising began.

15. At least six people have been killed in an avalanche in the French Alps.
16. Emergency services have been sent to the scene of the accident near Chamonix in the Mont Blanc region.
17. Eight other people were injured.

18. Jewish and Muslim organisations across Europe are up in arms.
19. They are protesting at the ruling of a court in Cologne that has outlawed the practice of circumcising young boys.
20. The court in Cologne said that the circumcision of infants on religious grounds amounted to grievous bodily harm.

21. The 02 phone network says a limited service has been restored to thousands of mobile users after its network crashed yesterday.
22. It's still trying to restore its 3G service which is used for downloading data.



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ADVANCED: QUESTIONS

1. What is the name of the private security company?
2. What has it been unable to provide?
3. When did ministers find this out?
4. What have been put on standby?
5. Who is Keith Vaz?
6. What will he be asking for?
7. How much has the private sector contractor been paid so far?
8. How long is it until the start of the Olympic Games?
9. Which word do you hear in front of 'concerning'?
10. How long has the security issue been around, according to Keith Vaz?
11. What is the solution not going to be, according to Keith Vaz?

12. Who is John Vine?
13. What has he raised concerns about?
14. Who are going to be used to cut queues?
15. Where have improvements been implemented?

16. Who has defected from President Assad's regime?
17. Which word did he use to describe the massacre of civilians by government forces?
18. Why is Nawaf Fares' defection so significant?

19. Where have at least six people been killed?
20. What have emergency services been sent to?
21. Where is Chamonix?
22. How many people were hurt in the accident?

23. Who are protesting against a ruling on child circumcision in Germany?
24. What has the German court done exactly?
25. In which German city is the court?
26. What amounts to 'grievous bodily harm' according to the court? *the circumcision of infants* _____

27. Which network is mentioned in this next story?
28. What has been restored to thousands of users?
29. What happened yesterday?
30. What is still down?
31. What is this service used for?



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1. What is the name of the private security company? **G4S**
2. What has it been unable to provide? **enough trained guards for the Olympic Games**
3. When did ministers find this out? **two weeks ago**
4. What have been put on standby? **3,5000 additional troops**
5. Who is Keith Vaz? **He's the chairman of the Commons Home Affairs Committee.**
6. What will he be asking for? **an explanation**
7. How much has the private sector contractor been paid so far? **£284 million**
8. How long is it until the start of the Olympic Games? **15 days**
9. Which word do you hear in front of 'concerning'? **'deeply'**
10. How long has the security issue been around, according to Keith Vaz? **for six years**
11. What is the solution not going to be, according to Keith Vaz? **a quick fix**

12. Who is John Vine? **He's the Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration.**
13. What has he raised concerns about? **passport checks at Heathrow during the Olympic Games**
14. Who are going to be used to cut queues? **former immigration officers with basic training**
15. Where have improvements been implemented? **In the processing of passengers from overseas.**

16. Who has defected from President Assad's regime? **the Syrian ambassador to Iraq**
17. Which word did he use to describe the massacre of civilians by government forces? **'horrible'**
18. Why is Nawaf Fares' defection so significant? **Because he's the first senior diplomat to leave the Syrian government since the start of the civil uprising.**

19. Where have at least six people been killed? **in an avalanche in the French Alps**
20. What have emergency services been sent to? **the scene of the accident**
21. Where is Chamonix? **It's in the Mont Blanc region.**
22. How many people were hurt in the accident? **eight**

23. Who are protesting against a ruling on child circumcision in Germany? **Jewish and Muslim organisations across Europe**
24. What has the German court done exactly? **It has outlawed the practice of circumcising young boys.**
25. In which German city is the court? **Cologne**
26. What amounts to 'grievous bodily harm' according to the court? **the circumcision of infants on religious grounds**

27. Which network is mentioned in this next story? **the 02 phone network**
28. What has been restored to thousands of users? **a limited service**
29. What happened yesterday? **The 02 phone network crashed.**
30. What is still down? **02's 3G service**
31. What is this service used for? **downloading data**