



BBC RADIO 4 NEWS
Thursday, 13th December 2012
10.00am

ELEMENTARY: CORRECT THE MISTAKE IN EACH SENTENCE

1. Jacintha Saldanha was the victim of a prank phone call by two Austrian radio DJs.
2. She worked at the hospital where the pregnant Duchess of Caernarvon was being treated.
3. Her body was found in the nurses' park.
4. The BBC reporter is Peter Unt.
5. The hearing went on for two hours.
6. Jacintha Saldanha was found by a relative and a security guard.
7. She was in her late 40s.
8. She originally came from Israel.
9. She had hanged herself and there were injuries to her fingers.
10. The reporter says 'Mrs Saldanha had left three children.'
11. DTI James Harman told the coroner there were no suspicious circumstances.
12. Mrs Saldanha's emails are telephone books are being examined.
13. The full hearing is provisionally set for next month.

14. The Government is going to allow a firm to resume 'fracking' to exploit pensioners in Lancashire.
15. Fracking involves the blasting of water, chemicals and stones at high velocity into a shaft.
16. This cracks the rock and releases oil.
17. The company Cuadrilla was stopped from fracking after it triggered two small earthquakes near Liverpool.

18. A man and a woman have been charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of a teenager earlier this year.
19. The boy was nearly three years old.
20. He died from a heroin overdose last month.
21. A 29-year-old man and 23-year-old woman are due to appear in court this morning.

22. Fifty people are reported to have been killed by a car bomb in Syria.
23. The blast was in the town of Qatana, 15 miles south-east of the capital, Damascus.

24. Car production rose by almost 9% in November, compared to the same period last year.
25. A total of 142,852 cars were made in the UK in November.
26. There was a fall of 6.3% in the production of commercial vehicles.



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ELEMENTARY: ANSWERS

1. Jacintha Saldanha was the victim of a prank phone call by two Austrian radio DJs. **by two Australian radio DJs**
2. She worked at the hospital where the pregnant Duchess of Caernarvon was being treated. **the pregnant Duchess of Cambridge**
3. Her body was found in the nurses' park. **the nurses' quarters**
4. The BBC reporter is Peter Unt. **Peter Hunt**
5. The hearing went on for two hours. **five minutes**
6. Jacintha Saldanha was found by a relative and a security guard. **by a colleague and a security guard**
7. She was in her late 40s. **She was 46, so she was in her mid-40s.**
8. She originally came from Israel. **India, not Israel**
9. She had hanged herself and there were injuries to her fingers. **to her wrists**
10. The reporter says 'Mrs Saldanha had left three children.' **'three notes'**
11. DTI James Harman told the coroner there were no suspicious circumstances. **DCI (Detective Chief Inspector)**
12. Mrs Saldanha's emails are telephone books are being examined. **emails and telephone contacts**
13. The full hearing is provisionally set for next month. **March next year**
14. The Government is going to allow a firm to resume 'fracking' to exploit pensioners in Lancashire. **to exploit gas in Lancashire**
15. Fracking involves the blasting of water, chemicals and stones at high velocity into a shaft. **water, chemicals and sand**
16. This cracks the rock and releases oil. **and releases gas**
17. The company Cuadrilla was stopped from fracking after it triggered two small earthquakes near Liverpool. **near Blackpool**
18. A man and a woman have been charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of a teenager earlier this year. **the death of a toddler**
19. The boy was nearly three years old. **He was 23 months old, i.e. nearly two years old.**
20. He died from a heroin overdose last month. **in May**
21. A 29-year-old man and 23-year-old woman are due to appear in court this morning. **and a 33-year old woman**
22. Fifty people are reported to have been killed by a car bomb in Syria. **Fifteen**
23. The blast was in the town of Qatana, 15 miles south-east of the capital, Damascus. **south-west**
24. Car production rose by almost 9% in November, compared to the same period last year. **almost 5%**
25. A total of 142,852 cars were made in the UK in November. **142,825**
26. There was a fall of 6.3% in the production of commercial vehicles. **3.6%**



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INTERMEDIATE: GAP-FILL

1. The first story is about the inquest into the death of Jacintha Saldanha, the _____ who was the victim of a prank _____ from two _____ radio DJs at the _____ where the _____ Duchess of Cambridge was being treated.
2. Her body was _____ in the nurses' _____.
3. The BBC reporter is _____.
4. The hearing only lasted _____.
5. Jacintha Saldanha _____ found by a _____ and a security guard.
6. The _____-year-old nurse was originally from _____.
7. She had hanged _____ and there were injuries to her _____.
8. Toxicology tests are being _____.
9. Mrs Saldanha _____ left three _____.
10. _____ James Harman told the inquest there were _____ suspicious circumstances.
11. Mrs Saldanha's emails and telephone _____ are _____ examined.
12. A provisional date for the _____ hearing is in _____ next year.

13. The Government has given a firm permission to resume the controversial technique _____ as 'fracking' to exploit _____ in Lancashire.
14. Fracking involved the blasting of _____, chemicals and _____ at high velocity into a shaft.
15. This cracks the _____ and releases _____.
16. Cuadrilla was _____ from fracking after it triggered _____ earthquakes near _____.

17. A _____ and a _____ have been charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of a _____ earlier this year.
18. The 23-_____-old _____ was found to have died from a heroin _____ in May.
19. A _____-year-old man and a _____-year-old woman are due to appear in court this morning.

20. Sixteen people are reported to _____ killed and more than _____ wounded, including women and _____, by a _____ bomb in Syria.
21. The blast was in the _____ of Qatana.
22. Qatana lies _____ of the _____, Damascus.

23. _____ production rose by nearly _____% in November compared to the _____ period in 2011.
24. A total of _____ cars were made in the _____ last month.
25. However, the production of commercial vehicles _____ by _____%.



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2. Her body was found in the nurses' quarters.
3. The BBC reporter is Peter Hunt.
4. The hearing only lasted five minutes.
5. Jacintha Saldanha was found by a colleague and a security guard.
6. The 46-year-old nurse was originally from India.
7. She had hanged herself and there were injuries to her wrists.
8. Toxicology tests are being carried out.
9. Mrs Saldanha had left three notes.
10. DCI James Harman told the inquest there were no suspicious circumstances.
11. Mrs Saldanha's emails and telephone contacts are being examined.
12. A provisional date for the full hearing is in March next year.

13. The Government has given a firm permission to resume the controversial technique known as 'fracking' to exploit gas in Lancashire.
14. Fracking involved the blasting of water, chemicals and sand at high velocity into a shaft.
15. This cracks the rock and releases gas.
16. Cuadrilla was stopped from fracking after it triggered two small earthquakes near Blackpool.

17. A man and a woman have been charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of a toddler earlier this year.
18. The 23-month-old boy was found to have died from a heroin overdose in May.
19. A 29-year-old man and a 33-year-old woman are due to appear in court this morning.

20. Sixteen people are reported to have been killed and more than 25 wounded, including women and children, by a car bomb in Syria.
21. The blast was in the town of Qatana.
22. Qatana lies 15 miles south-west of the capital, Damascus.

23. Car production rose by nearly 5% in November compared to the same period in 2011.
24. A total of 142,825 cars were made in the UK last month.
25. However, the production of commercial vehicles fell by 3.6%.



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ADVANCED: QUESTIONS

1. Who made the prank phone call shortly before Jacintha Saldanha killed herself?
2. Who was a patient in the hospital where Jacintha Saldanha worked?
3. Where was Jacintha's body found?
4. What is the name of the BBC reporter?
5. In which part of London is the Coroner's Court?
6. Which word means 'very short'?
7. Who found Jacintha Saldanha's body?
8. Where was Jacintha Saldanha originally from?
9. Which mistake does the BBC reporter make when he talks about Mrs Saldanha's suicide?
10. What do you call the part of the body between the hand and the forearm?
11. Which phrasal verb do we use when we talk about scientific tests? To _____
_____ a scientific test.
12. What had Mrs Saldanha left?
13. What is the police officer's title?
14. What are being examined?
15. What will probably take place next March, following today's adjournment?

16. Which word do you hear in front of 'technique'?
17. What will fracking be used to do? To exploit _____ in _____.
18. What are blasted into a shaft at high velocity during fracking?
19. What does this do? It _____ and releases the _____.
20. What did Cuadrillo's fracking operation trigger? two small _____ near _____
21. Who is Ed Davey?

22. Which word means a young child who is just learning to walk?
23. How old was the boy who died?
24. What had he died from in May?
25. Who have been charged with manslaughter?

26. How many people are reported to have been killed by a car bomb in Syria?
27. What is Qatana?
28. Where is it?

29. What rose by nearly 5% in November, compared to the same period in 2011?
30. How many cars were made in the UK in November?
31. What fell by 3.6%?



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two Australian radio DJs
2. Who was a patient in the hospital where Jacintha Saldanha worked? **the pregnant Duchess of Cambridge**
3. Where was Jacintha's body found? **in the nurses' quarters**
4. What is the name of the BBC reporter? **Peter Hunt**
5. In which part of London is the Coroner's Court? **in Westminster**
6. Which word means 'very short'? **'brief' ('the brief hearing')**
7. Who found Jacintha Saldanha's body? **a colleague and a security guard**
8. Where was Jacintha Saldanha originally from? **India**
9. Which mistake does the BBC reporter make when he talks about Mrs Saldanha's suicide? **He says she 'had hung herself'. It should be she 'had hanged herself'.**
10. What do you call the part of the body between the hand and the forearm? **the wrist**
11. Which phrasal verb do we use when we talk about scientific tests? **To carry out a scientific test. ('Toxicology tests are being carried out.')**
12. What had Mrs Saldanha left? **three notes**
13. What is the police officer's title? **DCI (Detective Chief Inspector)**
14. What are being examined? **Mrs Saldanha's emails and telephone contacts**
15. What will probably take place next March, following today's adjournment? **the full hearing**

16. Which word do you hear in front of 'technique'? **'controversial'**
17. What will fracking be used to do? **To exploit gas in Lancashire.**
18. What are blasted into a shaft at high velocity during fracking? **water, chemicals and sand**
19. What does this do? **It cracks rock and releases the gas.**
20. What did Cuadrillo's fracking operation trigger? **two small earthquakes near Blackpool**
21. Who is Ed Davey? **He's the energy secretary.**

22. Which word means a young child who is just learning to walk? **'a toddler'**
23. How old was the boy who died? **23 months**
24. What had he died from in May? **a heroin overdose**
25. Who have been charged with manslaughter? **a 29-year-old man and a 33-year-old woman**

26. How many people are reported to have been killed by a car bomb in Syria? **16**
27. What is Qatana? **It's a town in Syria.**
28. Where is it? **15 miles south-west of the capital, Damascus**

29. What rose by nearly 5% in November, compared to the same period in 2011? **car production**
30. How many cars were made in the UK in November? **142,825**
31. What fell by 3.6%? **the production of commercial vehicles**