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10. The couple were shot dead.
11. Detectives have recovered a gun which they believe is the murder weapon.
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2. The unions are the Royal College of Nursing and the Royal College of Fishwives. **the Royal College of Midwives, not Fishwives**
3. They say they'd been willing to work with the Government on reforming the health service in the UK. **in England, not the whole of the UK**
4. However, they said their concerns 'have not been added'. **'have not been addressed'**
5. The health secretary is Anne Lansley. **Andrew Lansley**
6. The ACN is angry about pay and pensions for nurses. **the RCN**

7. A man has been charged with the murders of Avtar Kolar and his daughter, Carole. **and his wife, Carole**
8. Avtar and Carole Kolar were found dead at their office in Birmingham last Wednesday. **at their home**
9. Their bodies were found by their son who is a serving East Midlands police officer. **West Midlands**
10. The couple were shot dead. **The couple 'were found battered to death'.**
11. Detectives have recovered a gun which they believe is the murder weapon. **They've recovered a lump hammer.**
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INTERMEDIATE: GAP-FILL

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3. They say they had been _____ to _____ with the Government on reforming the NHS in England.
4. However, they don't feel _____ concerns have been _____.
5. The health secretary has accused the _____ of using the issue to express its _____ about pay and pensions.

6. A man is appearing before magistrates in _____ this morning charged with the murders of Mr and Mrs Kolar.
7. The couple's _____ is a police officer with the _____ Midlands force.
8. The police _____ more details about the murders at a news conference.
9. Avtar and Carole Kolar were _____ to death at their _____ in Birmingham last Wednesday by their _____, a serving police officer.
10. Mr and Mrs Kolar died from _____ injuries.
11. Detectives have recovered a _____ which they believe was used to murder the couple.
12. They have also recovered a _____ of items _____ from the _____.
13. _____ night a _____-year-old Lithuanian national was _____ with the couple's murders.

14. The number of cars _____ in the UK _____ by _____% in 2011.
15. Engine production also increased by _____%.

16. The mandate of the _____ League's observer mission in _____ expires today.
17. However, it _____ be extended if _____ agree.
18. The _____ of the mission is putting the finishing touches to a report _____ the violence.
19. The report _____ be discussed by Arab League _____ ministers on _____.

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6. A man is appearing before magistrates in Birmingham this morning charged with the murders of Mr and Mrs Kolar.
7. The couple's son is a police officer with the West Midlands force.
8. The police gave more details about the murders at a news conference.
9. Avtar and Carole Kolar were found battered to death at their home in Birmingham last Wednesday by their son, a serving police officer.
10. Mr and Mrs Kolar died from head injuries.
11. Detectives have recovered a lump hammer which they believe was used to murder the couple.
12. They have also recovered a number of items taken from the family home.
13. Last night a 37-year-old Lithuanian national was charged with the couple's murders.

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6. Which police force has been handling the case of the murders of Avtar Kolar and his wife Carole?
7. What is the couple's son's job?
8. Is this fact linked to the murders, according to the police?
9. Where were Avtar and Carole Kolar murdered?
10. How were they killed?
11. Who found their bodies?
12. Which police force does the couple's son work for?
13. What have the police recovered, which is believed to be the murder weapon?
14. Describe Rimvydas Liorancas, the man who's been charged with the murders:

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3. What have the unions said they had been willing to do? **They have said that they had been willing to work with the Government on reforming the Health Service in England.**
4. Why are they angry, having raised a number of concerns? **Because their concerns have not been addressed.**
5. What are the unions using this issue to express their anger about, according to the health secretary? **pay and pensions**

6. Which police force has been handling the case of the murders of Avtar Kolar and his wife Carole? **West Midlands Police**
7. What is the couple's son's job? **He's a police officer.**
8. Is this fact linked to the murders, according to the police? **No. ('At a news conference West Midlands Police said they didn't believe the fact that the couple's son is a police officer was connected to the deaths.')**
9. Where were Avtar and Carole Kolar murdered? **at their home in Birmingham**
10. How were they killed? **They were battered to death.**
11. Who found their bodies? **their son**
12. Which police force does the couple's son work for? **West Midlands Police**
13. What have the police recovered, which is believed to be the murder weapon? **a lump hammer**
14. Describe Rimvydas Liorancas, the man who's been charged with the murders: **He's a 37-year-old Lithuanian national.**

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