

The first examination of English

Read the text carefully, then do the following activities:

The world is 0.28% more peaceful than a year ago

A new report says the world is slightly more peaceful than it was a year ago. The report was made by an organization called the Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP). The IEP has reported on world peace for the past 10 years. Every year, it publishes a document called the Global Peace Index (GPI). This index ranks 163 countries and territories on their level of peacefulness. It also offers advice on how to develop peaceful societies. The latest report found that the world became 0.28% more peaceful over the past year. Iceland is the most peaceful country in the world. It has been number one on the GPI since 2008. The next four most peaceful countries are New Zealand, Portugal, Austria and Denmark.

The report says that in the past year, 93 countries have become more peaceful, while 68 have got more violent. Researchers measured many things to work out the level of peace in each country. They measured the murder rate, how easy it was to get weapons, terrorism and terror attacks, and the number of soldiers or police each country had. The IEP said Syria is the least peaceful country in the world. Syria has now been bottom of the list for five years in a row. The next four most violent countries are Afghanistan, Iraq, South Sudan and Yemen. The chairman of the IEP warned that: "The world is still [stuck] with conflict in the Middle East, political turmoil in the US, refugee flows, and terrorism in Europe".

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A-Reading & interpreting:

Ex1/Is the text above:

a-A note of apology.

b-A newspaper article.

c-An extract from a book.

Ex2/Say if these statements are(True) or (False)/justify the false ones from the text:

a-The global peace index is published by the United Nations.

b-Iceland is the most violent country since 2008.

c-Among the most violent countries, there are four Arab countries.

d-Conflict in Middle East & terrorism in Europe help to make the world more peaceful.

Ex3/Answer these questions according to the text:

a-What does IEP mean?

b-What are the main characters that indicate the level of peace ?

c-What still tackle the world peace according to IEP?

Ex4/ Complete the following table with information from the text:

IEP Report

Most peaceful countries:	Most violent countries:	Measures of peace level:

Ex5/What or who do the underlined words refer to in the text:

a-The past year.

b-It.

c-They.

B-Text exploration:

Ex1/Find in the text, words that are closest in meaning to:

a-issues(\$1) b-guidelines(\$1) c-trouble(\$2)

Ex2/Divide these words into roots & affixes:

organization - territories - peacefulness - decoded

Prefix	root	suffix
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Ex3/ Give the correct forms of the verbs between brackets:

- a-In April 2004,talks on the conflicts of Darfur(to begin).
- b-Rosa Park(to be) still alive today & she is 88 years old .
- c-The UN(not to find) a solution to the struggle in Syria,yet.

Ex4/Classify these words according to their number of syllables:

Institute - peaceful - warned - researcher

One syllable	Two syllables	Three syllables
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Ex5/ Fill in each gap with only one word from the list given:

(peaceful - conversations - article - doubt - war - want)

There is no.....1..... that the 6.5 billion people in this world,all religions & most all governments truly2.....to live in more3..... civilized world.On television,in the newspaper,on the internet & in most.....4..... people have about the world situation.

C-Written expression: Choose one of the following topics:

Topic (1): Using the following notes,write a short paragraph on how to live in peace??

- solving problems peacefully with negotiations.
- Wars are destructive.
- Democracy,freedom,equality,justice & brotherhood between people.
- Spreading peace principles. -Spending money on:housing,healthcare,food rather than on massive destructive weapons.

Topic(2):

Write a short paragraph about a person or organization who/that you suggest as a candidate for Nobel Peace Prize with his/her/its works for peace

