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Norway, best country to be a mother

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THE READING / TAPESCRIPT

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The charity Save The Children has said Norway is the best country for new mothers. The charity released its annual report called "State of the World's Mothers" on Tuesday. The report is full of information about which countries are best and worst for women and their newborn babies. The study looks at things like healthcare for mums, education, nutrition for babies, maternity leave, maternity death, and how rich or poor mothers are. The report looked at 165 countries, of which 122 were in the developing world.

The worst country to be a mother was Niger. Women there will probably lose a child at some point in their life. The Save The Children website explained that this year it wanted to make sure women were healthy enough to feed their children over the first 1,000 days of their life. "The focus is on the 171 million children globally who do not have the opportunity to reach their full potential due to the physical and mental effects of poor nutrition in the earliest months of life," it said.

PHRASE MATCH

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Match the following phrases from the article.

Paragraph 1

| 1. | annual | a. | leave |
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4. The study looks at things
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6. 122 were in the
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Paragraph 2

| - The worst country | 1. | The worst country | a. | a child |
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LISTENING GAP FILL

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MULTIPLE CHOICE

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| (a) | year | (b) | every 12 months | (c) | annual |
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| (a) | like | (b) | care | (c) | enjoy |
| (a) | which | (b) | why | (c) | how |
| (a) | changing | (b) | developing | (c) | growing |
| (a) | lose | (b) | die | (c) | give |
| (a) | dot | (b) | place | (c) | point |
| (a) | surely | (b) | sure | (c) | ensure |
| (a) | focus | (b) | energy | (c) | efforts |
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SPELLING

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Spell the jumbled words (from the text) correctly.

Paragraph 1

- 1. The <u>haycitr</u> Save The Children
- 2. released its <u>naunla</u> report
- 3. full of ifnraioomtn
- 4. benwnro babies
- 5. ymntrtaie leave
- 6. the eogenipldy world

Paragraph 2

- 7. The <u>owtrs</u> country
- 8. at some ontpi in their life
- 9. <u>heyalht</u> enough
- 10. reach their full <u>tapnleoti</u>
- 11. poor <u>roiintnut</u>
- 12. in the <u>iltrseea</u> months

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

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Number these lines in the correct order.

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With a partner, put the words back into the correct order.

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

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WRITING

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HOMEWORK

- **1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION:** Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.
- **2. MOTHERHOOD:** Search the Internet and find more information about motherhood. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.
- **3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE:** Write a magazine article about mothers around the world. Include an imaginary interview with one mother in a rich country and one in a poor country. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.
- **4. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT?** Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.
- **5. LETTER:** Write a letter to a motherhood expert. Ask her three questions about motherhood. Give her three of your opinions on motherhood. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Your partner will answer the questions you asked.