**Actuele lesbrief Engels – Hot News**

**Voor de docent**

Hittegolven komen bijna overal vaker voor en worden ook extremer.

**ERK-niveau**

Lezen B1 – *Lezen om informatie op te doen: Kan belangrijke feitelijke informatie begrijpen in korte verslagen en artikelen. (LEB1-3a)*

Leesstrategieën - *Kan de betekenis van zo nu en dan voorkomende onbekende woorden afleiden uit de context en de betekenis van zinnen herleiden, op voorwaarde dat het besproken onderwerp bekend is.*

**Intro**

Summers are heating up.

Assignment 1

Read the assignment and write down the answers in English. You may use English-language Internet sources to help you.

a Write down 5 or more words related to warm weather.

b In the European Union we use the ***Celsius*** scale to measure temperatures. In the United States and some other English speaking countries they use ......

**Hot News**

Summertime, and the living is easy. Now, summers are heating up. Does the heat make living easy?

Read more about [the impact of hot temperatures](https://newsforkids.net/articles/2022/06/15/dangerous-heat-waves-around-the-world/).

Assignment 2

Read the text. Connect the words and expressions that have the same meaning in the text.

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| 1. to encourage someone | 1. to be higher or better or more than something |
| 1. indoors | 1. dealing with, confronted with |
| 1. to beat | 1. experiencing the bad or unpleasant effects of something |
| 1. the highest temperatures ever | 1. to get away from something that is unpleasant or difficult |
| 1. affected | 1. having great difficulties to live with something |
| 1. to escape | 1. influenced, impacted |
| 1. facing | 1. inside the house or another building |
| 1. lack of rain | 1. a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain |
| 1. drought | 1. mostly, mainly |
| 1. suffering from | 1. not enough rain or no rain at all |
| 1. struggling to deal with something | 1. a period of time when there is no electricity in a building or area |
| 1. power cut | 1. periods when lights are off because of an electrical power failure |
| 1. a fuel shortage | 1. a situation in which there is not enough oil or gasoline |
| 1. blackouts | 1. to tell or advise someone to do something |
| 1. in general | 1. warmer than it has been at any other time |

Assignment 3

a Choose the best summary.

1 Climate change is causing massive heat waves in many places around the world.

2 Governments in many large cities have set up “cooling centers” for everyone.

3 In many places, temperatures are much higher than normal for this time of year.

4 Summer seems to be starting about a month earlier than it did 20 years ago.

b Select the true statements.

1 In the United States, people are advised to stay in their houses because of the heat wave.

2 It is so hot in some parts of the United Staes that the temperatures are dangerous.

3 The heat wave in the United States is only happening in the southern states.

4 The heat wave started in the West and Soutwest of the United States.

5 The highest temperatures were measured in New York.

c Select the true statements.

1 In Europe, the highest temperatures are measured in France, Portugal and Spain.

2 In France the average summer temperature has been 17 °C for 50 years.

3 In most European countries, heat waves are normal for this time of year.

4 In some European countries the heat is not the only problem, but also a lack of rain.

5 Some European countries are having the second heat wave of the year already.

d Select the true statements.

1 All of India and Pakistan keep struggling with high temperatures.

2 In Pakistan, the power is turned off for up to 12 hours to cool things down.

3 Luckily, it is expected to rain in both India and Pakistan.

4 Pakistan has a problem with fuel shortage because of Russia’s war on Ukraine.

5 This year, New Delhi already has had six heat waves.