

1. Put these words into the spaces in the paragraph(s) below.

decline, annual, refineries, giant, point, workforce, peak, predicted

Shell's peak output

The energy (1) _____ Royal Dutch Shell has announced it has passed its (2) _____ production of oil. The days of increasing oil production are over and the (3) _____ in output has started. Shell said in a press release that, "oil production peaked in 2019". The "high (4) _____ " of Shell's oil production reached around 1.7 million barrels per day. It now expects an (5) _____ drop of up to two per cent per year. The fall comes a year ahead of Shell's initial forecasts. In 2015, the company (6) _____ the peak of global oil demand would be in 2020. The announcement included news that Shell would reduce the number of its oil (7) _____ from 14 sites to six. This means the loss of around 9,000 jobs, or more than 10 per cent of its (8) _____.

diversify, vehicles, strongest, shifting, actively, impact, pledged, points

Shell said it is (9) _____ its focus onto renewables and reducing its carbon footprint. It (10) _____ to achieve net-zero carbon emissions by 2050. The company said it wants to (11) _____ into becoming an energy provider rather than relying on fossil fuels. It has been (12) _____ exploring new, green technologies such as carbon capture. It has also been buying companies that provide electric (13) _____ charging stations. Shell CEO Ben van Beurden vowed to create half a million EV charging (14) _____ by 2025. He said: "We must give our customers the products and services they want - products that have the lowest environmental (15) _____. We will...grow in markets where demand for cleaner products and services is (16) _____."

2. SYNONYM MATCH: Match the following synonyms from the article.

1. peak
2. decline
3. expects
4. annual
5. workforce
6. shifting
7. relying
8. provide
9. vowed
10. impact

- a. promised
- b. yearly
- c. changing
- d. decrease
- e. supply
- f. height
- g. effect
- h. personnel
- i. supposes
- j. depending



3. TRANSLATE and write down the words you don't/didn't know using Quizlet or your preferred method of learning.