

News headlines Exercises

Exercise 1: Directions: Identify the missing information in the following news headlines and rewrite them by giving a complete syntactical (句法的) construction.

Example: Italian Ex-Mayor Murdered ---An Italian ex-mayor is murdered.

1. Myanmar's largest orchid garden to open in December
2. Italian strike hits planes, trains
3. Police arrest hostage taker at Clinton N.H. campaign office
4. More time needed to establish Asia-Pacific free trade zone
5. Hamas, Fatah negotiations postponed for new suggestions
6. Sen. Lott to retire by end of year
7. Data from Chinese lunar orbiter available to all
8. China, Europe step up cultural exchanges
9. Health survey: New Yorkers fitter, slimmer
10. China, India agree to push forward strategic, cooperative partnership
11. Clinton urges sweeping action on AIDS

Exercise 2: Directions: Read the abbreviated and clipped words in the headlines and write out their full names.

1. World marks 23rd AIDS Day (AIDS stands for _____.)
2. IMF on Indonesia's agenda (IMF stands for _____.)
3. EU says mobilized 2.9 bln to fight against climate change (EU stands for _____.)
4. Haier CEO wins Permanent Achievement Award (CEO stands for _____.)
5. Peking University grad detained for alleged thefts (Grad is the shortened form of the word ____.)

Exercise 3: Directions: Briefer the following headlines.

1. It Must Be a Victory Which Peace Can Be Built On
2. Heavy Losses Are Reported in Fighting in South Lebanon and along the Coast
3. 25 polluters are shut down, others are told to make changes
4. Paper said that US command faulted in prison abuse
5. IOC said Olympic should not be tarnished by scandals
6. Investigators reached no conclusion from twin Russian plane crashes

Exercise 4: Directions: Interpret the meaning of the underlined words. (标词性，然后用英文解释，或者汉语注释)

1. 7 Held for Hijacking
2. Women's Groups Eye Court Vote
3. Rice to Head Peace Mission
4. Man Aids Police
5. Unions Back Peace Move
6. Club Faces Shutdown for Barring Women
7. Man Claims Ghost sighting
8. Bombs Claim 40
9. Tanker Blast near Manila
10. Blaze Destroys Factory
11. Strikers in Clash With Police
12. Secretary of state Clashes with the president
13. New Curbs on Immigration
14. Big Cuts in Air Fares
15. Peace Drive Succeeds