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British Prime Minister battles to save Brexit

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181117-brexite-agreement.html>

The UK Prime Minister Theresa May is battling to save the Brexit divorce deal with the European Union, and her job. The Brexit agreement is in danger after the UK Brexit secretary Dominic Raab and other senior ministers resigned. They quit because of the "final" deal that Ms May agreed with Europe on Thursday. Mr Raab said the deal was bad for the UK. He said it would not allow the UK to leave the EU. Ms May said her government has a choice. It must choose to leave the EU with no deal, risk Brexit never happening, or support her deal. She said: "The choice is clear. We can choose to leave with no deal, we can risk no Brexit at all, or we can choose to unite and support the best deal that can be negotiated."

Brexit means "British exit from the European Union". On June 23, 2016, the British people voted to leave the EU. Nearly 52 per cent of voters voted to leave. They voted to leave because they thought Britain would be stronger outside of the EU. They wanted the UK to have more control over its future and to make trade agreements with other countries. They also wanted to be free from EU laws. People who voted to stay believe the UK is stronger as part of the EU. The United Kingdom is due to leave the EU on March 29, 2019, at 11pm UK time. It is still unclear if or how the UK will leave the EU. Thursday's draft deal has further divided the country. Many people believe the UK's government will not agree to the new deal.

Sources: <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-46228454>
https://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/british-prime-minister-battles-to-save-brexit-deal-as-ministers-quit_us_5bed5696e4b0dbb7ea67cdcc
<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brexit>

WARM-UPS

1. BREXIT: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about Brexit. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

battling / divorce / agreement / secretary / deal / government / choice / leave / exit / voters / stronger / EU / UK / countries / free / laws / unclear / divided / agree

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. LEAVE: Students A **strongly** believe it is better for the UK to leave the European Union; Students B **strongly** believe it isn't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. MY COUNTRY: What do you think of these things about your country? What changes could happen to them in the future? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	What you think	Future changes
Capital city		
Currency		
Borders		
Language		
Cuisine		
Government		

5. AGREEMENT: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "agreement". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. DEALS: Rank these with your partner. Put the most important deals for your country at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- cyber-security
- trade
- tourism
- energy
- freedom of movement
- freedom of labour
- cultural ties
- military ties

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|---------------|--|
| 1. battling | a. An agreement between two or more people, groups, businesses or countries, especially for business or in politics. |
| 2. deal | b. Tried to reach an agreement or get a deal by discussing things with others. |
| 3. senior | c. More experienced people. |
| 4. resigned | d. Having a long and difficult fight or struggle. |
| 5. agreed | e. Left a job or position; quit. |
| 6. choice | f. Discussed or talked about and then accepted by everyone. |
| 7. negotiated | g. An act of selecting or making a decision about two or more possibilities. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|-------------|---|
| 8. exit | h. A version of a piece of writing that comes before the final version. |
| 9. voted | i. Expected at or planned for at a certain time. |
| 10. control | j. The action of buying and selling goods and services. |
| 11. trade | k. Leaving a particular situation or place. |
| 12. due to | l. Separated or split into two parts. |
| 13. draft | m. Made a choice in an election. |
| 14. divided | n. The power to change or direct people's behavior or the course of events. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181117-brexit-agreement.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. Theresa May lost her job because of the Brexit agreement with the EU. **T / F**
- b. A UK Brexit secretary quit because Theresa May's new Brexit deal. **T / F**
- c. The Brexit secretary was the only politician to resign. **T / F**
- d. Theresa May said the UK's government only had one choice. **T / F**
- e. The word "Brexit" means "Britain Exits Italy". **T / F**
- f. Less than 52 per cent of British people voted to leave the EU. **T / F**
- g. Britain is scheduled to leave the EU on March 29 at 11pm. **T / F**
- h. Many people believe the UK government won't back the deal. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- | | |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1. battling | a. believed |
| 2. agreement | b. discussed terms |
| 3. resigned | c. preliminary |
| 4. support | d. departure |
| 5. negotiated | e. deal |
| 6. exit | f. approve |
| 7. thought | g. back |
| 8. still | h. fighting |
| 9. draft | i. even now |
| 10. agree | j. quit |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|--|-----------------------|
| 1. battling to save the Brexit divorce | a. over its future |
| 2. The Brexit agreement is in | b. for the UK |
| 3. other senior | c. voted to leave |
| 4. Mr Raab said the deal was bad | d. is clear |
| 5. The choice | e. danger |
| 6. Brexit means | f. to leave the EU |
| 7. Nearly 52 per cent of voters | g. ministers resigned |
| 8. have more control | h. the country |
| 9. The United Kingdom is due | i. deal |
| 10. further divided | j. British exit |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181117-brexit-agreement.html>

The UK Prime Minister Theresa May is (1) _____ to save the Brexit divorce (2) _____ with the European Union, and her job. The Brexit agreement is in (3) _____ after the UK Brexit secretary Dominic Raab and other senior ministers resigned. They quit because of the "(4) _____ " deal that Ms May agreed with Europe on Thursday. Mr Raab said the deal was bad for the UK. He said it would not allow the UK to leave the EU. Ms May said her government has a (5) _____. It must choose to leave the EU with no deal, risk Brexit never happening, or (6) _____ her deal. She said: "The choice is clear. We can choose to leave with no deal, we can (7) _____ no Brexit at all, or we can choose to unite and support the best deal that can be (8) _____."

danger
support
deal
negotiated
final
risk
battling
choice

Brexit means "British exit from the European Union". On June 23, 2016, the British people (9) _____ to leave the EU. Nearly 52 per cent of voters voted to leave. They voted to leave because they thought Britain would be (10) _____ outside of the EU. They wanted the UK to have more control over its (11) _____ and to make trade agreements with other countries. They also wanted to be free from EU laws. People who voted to stay (12) _____ the UK is stronger as part of the EU. The United Kingdom is (13) _____ to leave the EU on March 29, 2019, at 11pm UK time. It is still (14) _____ if or how the UK will leave the EU. Thursday's draft deal has (15) _____ divided the country. Many people believe the UK's government will not (16) _____ to the new deal.

believe
unclear
voted
agree
stronger
further
future
due

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181117-brexite-agreement.html>

- 1) in danger after the UK Brexit secretary Dominic Raab and other senior _____
 - a. ministers resign
 - b. ministers re-signed
 - c. ministers re-sign
 - d. ministers resigned
- 2) He said it would not allow the UK to leave the EU. Ms May said her government _____
 - a. has the choice
 - b. has a choose
 - c. has the choose
 - d. has a choice
- 3) It must choose to leave the EU with no deal, _____ happening
 - a. risk Brexit never
 - b. risky Brexit never
 - c. risks Brexit never
 - d. risqué Brexit never
- 4) We can choose to leave with no deal, we can risk no Brexit at all, or we can _____
 - a. choose to you knit
 - b. choose to you night
 - c. choose to ewe night
 - d. choose to unite
- 5) support the best deal that _____
 - a. can be negotiate it
 - b. can be negotiate
 - c. can be negotiation
 - d. can be negotiated
- 6) On June 23, 2016, the British people _____ the EU
 - a. voted at leave
 - b. voted by leave
 - c. voted to leave
 - d. voted on leave
- 7) They wanted the UK to have more _____ future
 - a. control overt its
 - b. control obvert its
 - c. control every its
 - d. control over its
- 8) The United Kingdom _____ leave
 - a. is due to
 - b. is dew to
 - c. is duty
 - d. is jewel to
- 9) Thursday's draft deal has further _____ country
 - a. divide the
 - b. divide it the
 - c. divides the
 - d. divided the
- 10) Many people believe the UK's government will not agree to _____
 - a. the new dealt
 - b. the new ideals
 - c. the new deal
 - d. the new ideal

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181117-brexit-agreement.html>

1. What is Theresa May battling to save?
2. Who else resigned besides the Brexit secretary?
3. What did the Brexit secretary say Brexit was bad for?
4. What did Theresa May say about the choice over Brexit?
5. What did Theresa May say people risk?
6. What does Brexit mean?
7. How many voters voted to leave the European Union?
8. What did people who voted to leave want more of for the UK?
9. At what time will the UK leave the European Union?
10. What has the draft Brexit deal done to the country?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181117-brexit-agreement.html>

- 1) What is Theresa May battling to save?
 - a) her career
 - b) trees
 - c) the Brexit (divorce) deal
 - d) Britain's farming industry
- 2) Who else resigned besides the Brexit secretary?
 - a) senior ministers
 - b) the EU leader
 - c) Theresa May's secretary
 - d) EU ministers
- 3) What did the Brexit secretary say Brexit was bad for?
 - a) the UK
 - b) apple growers
 - c) Europe
 - d) Theresa May
- 4) What did Theresa May say about the choice over Brexit?
 - a) it was important
 - b) it was clear
 - c) it was unclear
 - d) it was difficult
- 5) What did Theresa May say people risk?
 - a) their health
 - b) money
 - c) Britain's economy
 - d) having no Brexit at all
- 6) What does Brexit mean?
 - a) Britain Exits Italy
 - b) British exit from the European Union
 - c) Brussels Exit
 - d) British Example Itinerary
- 7) How many voters voted to leave the European Union?
 - a) nearly 52%
 - b) about 52%
 - c) just over 52%
 - d) exactly 52%
- 8) What did people who voted to leave want more of for the UK?
 - a) laws
 - b) food
 - c) control
 - d) money
- 9) At what time will the UK leave the European Union?
 - a) 6am
 - b) midnight
 - c) lunchtime
 - d) 11pm
- 10) What has the draft Brexit deal done to the country?
 - a) divided it
 - b) unified it
 - c) made it richer
 - d) made it poorer

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Cyber-security

You think cyber-security is the most important deal to make with other countries. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their deals. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): trade, tourism or freedom of movement.

Role B – Trade

You think trade is the most important deal to make with other countries. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their deals. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): cyber-security, tourism or freedom of movement.

Role C – Tourism

You think tourism is the most important deal to make with other countries. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their deals. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): trade, cyber-security or freedom of movement.

Role D – Freedom of Movement

You think freedom of movement is the most important deal to make with other countries. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their deals. Also, tell the others which is the least important of these (and why): trade, tourism or cyber-security.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181117-brexit-agreement.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'vote' and 'leave'.

vote	leave
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• divorce• senior• final• allow• clear• support	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• exit• nearly• outside• free• due• divided
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BREXIT SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Brexit in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.

When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

BREXIT DISCUSSION

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

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'Brexit'?
3. What do you know about Brexit?
4. Is it better for the UK to stay in the European Union?
5. Have you ever quit something?
6. Have you ever made a deal?
7. What do you think of your government?
8. What organizations is your country a member of?
9. What do you think of the United Kingdom?
10. Do you think you are good at negotiating?

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BREXIT DISCUSSION

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

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'divorce'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What do you know about Theresa May?
15. What do Europeans think of the UK leaving the EU?
16. If the UK leaves the EU, will other countries follow?
17. How strong is your country?
18. What things divide your country?
19. How important is the UK?
20. What questions would you like to ask Theresa May?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

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

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

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

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Brexit (7) _____ "British exit from the European Union". On June 23, 2016, the British people voted to leave the EU. Nearly 52 per cent of voters voted to leave. They voted to leave because they (8) _____ Britain would be stronger outside of the EU. They wanted the UK to have more control (9) _____ its future and to make trade agreements with other countries. They also wanted to be free from EU laws. People who voted to stay believe the UK is stronger (10) _____ part of the EU. The United Kingdom is due to leave the EU on March 29, 2019, at 11pm UK time. It is still unclear if or how the UK will leave the EU. Thursday's (11) _____ deal has further divided the country. Many people (12) _____ the UK's government will not agree to the new deal.

Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|--------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) battling | (b) battled | (c) battles | (d) battle |
| 2. | (a) on | (b) by | (c) in | (d) at |
| 3. | (a) others | (b) another | (c) the others | (d) other |
| 4. | (a) allowing | (b) allow | (c) allowance | (d) allowed |
| 5. | (a) happen | (b) happened | (c) happens | (d) happening |
| 6. | (a) entire | (b) every | (c) all | (d) whole |
| 7. | (a) meanings | (b) means | (c) meanie | (d) mean |
| 8. | (a) thought | (b) fought | (c) ought | (d) caught |
| 9. | (a) over | (b) under | (c) through | (d) thus |
| 10. | (a) was | (b) has | (c) as | (d) is |
| 11. | (a) daft | (b) deft | (c) drift | (d) draft |
| 12. | (a) believe | (b) believe | (c) belie | (d) bailiff |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. battling to save the Brexit eoivcdr deal
2. The Brexit maeegrent is in danger
3. other insero ministers resigned
4. srpotpu her deal
5. The choeic is clear
6. the best deal that can be tdnagieote

Paragraph 2

7. stronger dtsoieu of the EU
8. more rolotnc over its future
9. People who veotd to stay
10. It is still caunerl
11. further vidddie the country
12. eaerg to the new deal

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181117-brexit-agreement.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () draft deal has further divided the country. Many people believe the UK's government will not agree to the new deal.
- () risk no Brexit at all, or we can choose to unite and support the best deal that can be negotiated."
- () Brexit means "British exit from the European Union". On June 23, 2016, the British
- () deal, risk Brexit never happening, or support her deal. She said: "The choice is clear. We can choose to leave with no deal, we can
- () on Thursday. Mr Raab said the deal was bad for the UK. He said it would not allow the UK to
- (**1**) The UK Prime Minister Theresa May is battling to save the Brexit divorce deal with the European Union, and her
- () ministers resigned. They quit because of the "final" deal that Ms May agreed with Europe
- () job. The Brexit agreement is in danger after the UK Brexit secretary Dominic Raab and other senior
- () due to leave the EU on March 29, 2019, at 11pm UK time. It is still unclear if or how the UK will leave the EU. Thursday's
- () from EU laws. People who voted to stay believe the UK is stronger as part of the EU. The United Kingdom is
- () people voted to leave the EU. Nearly 52 per cent of voters voted to leave. They voted to leave
- () because they thought Britain would be stronger outside of the EU. They wanted the UK to have more
- () control over its future and to make trade agreements with other countries. They also wanted to be free
- () leave the EU. Ms May said her government has a choice. It must choose to leave the EU with no

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181117-brexite-agreement.html>

1. save the divorce to deal . Brexit Battling
2. would It not to the UK allow leave .
3. EU deal . the Choose leave with to no
4. can choose to with no leave We deal .
5. that negotiated . best Support deal can be the
6. outside would be the stronger Britain EU . of
7. the control . They more wanted have UK to
8. to wanted They EU free laws . be from
9. divided further has draft country . Thursday's deal the
10. the believe UK's will agree . People not government

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181117-brexit-agreement.html>

The UK Prime Minister Theresa May is *battling / battled* to save the Brexit divorce deal with the European Union, and her job. The Brexit agreement is *in / on* danger after the UK Brexit secretary Dominic Raab and *another / other* senior ministers resigned. They quit because of the "final" *dealt / deal* that Ms May *agreed / agreement* with Europe on Thursday. Mr Raab said the deal was bad for the UK. He said it would not allow the UK to *believe / leave* the EU. Ms May said her government has a *choice / choose*. It must choose to leave the EU with no deal, risk Brexit never *happening / happen*, or support her deal. She said: "The *choose / choice* is clear. We can choose to leave with no deal, we can risk no Brexit at all, or we can choose to *unity / unite* and support the best deal that can be negotiated."

Brexit means "British *exit / excite* from the European Union". On June 23, 2016, the British people voted to leave *the / an* EU. Nearly 52 per cent of voters voted to leave. They voted to leave *so / because* they thought Britain would be stronger outside of the EU. They wanted the UK to have more *control / controlled* over its future and to make trade *agrees / agreements* with other countries. They also wanted to be *free / flee* from EU laws. People who voted to stay believe the UK is *stronger / strength* as part of the EU. The United Kingdom is *dew / due* to leave the EU on March 29, 2019, at 11pm UK time. It is still unclear if or how the UK will leave the EU. Thursday's *draft / daft* deal has further *divided / multiplied* the country. Many people believe the UK's government will not agree to the new deal.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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Th_ UK Pr_m_ M_n_s t_r Th_r_s_ M_y _s b_t t_l_n
g t_ s_v_ th_ Br_x_t d_v_r_c_ d__l w_t h th_
E_r_p__ n Un__ n, _nd h_r j_b. Th_ Br_x_t _g
r__ m_n t _s _n d_n g_r _f t_r th_ UK Br_x_t s_c
r_t_r_y D_m_n_c R__ b _n d _t h_r s_n__ r m_n_s t_r
s r_s_g n_d. Th_y q__ t b_c__ s_ _f th_ "f_n_l"
d__l th_t Ms M_y _g r__ d w_t h E_r_p__ n Th_r
s d_y. Mr R__ b s__ d th_ d__l w_s b_d f_r t
h_ UK. H_ s__ d _t w__ l_d n_t _l_l_w th_ UK
t_ l__ v_ th_ EU. Ms M_y s__ d h_r g_v_r n m_n
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EU w_t h n_ d__l, r_s k Br_x_t n_v_r h_p p_n_n
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n_ d__l, w_ c_n r_s k n_ Br_x_t _t _l_l, _r w_
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th_t c_n b_ n_g t__ t_d."

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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181117-brexit-agreement.html>

the uk prime minister theresa may is battling to save the brexit divorce deal with the european union and her job the brexit agreement is in danger after the uk brexit secretary dominic raab and other senior ministers resigned they quit because of the final deal that ms may agreed with europe on thursday mr raab said the deal was bad for the uk he said it would not allow the uk to leave the eu ms may said her government has a choice it must choose to leave the eu with no deal risk brexit never happening or support her deal she said the choice is clear we can choose to leave with no deal we can risk no brexit at all or we can choose to unite and support the best deal that can be negotiated

brexit means british exit from the european union on june 23 2016 the british people voted to leave the eu nearly 52 per cent of voters voted to leave they voted to leave because they thought britain would be stronger outside of the eu they wanted the uk to have more control over its future and to make trade agreements with other countries they also wanted to be free from eu laws people who voted to stay believe the uk is stronger as part of the eu the united kingdom is due to leave the eu on march 29 2019 at 11pm uk time it is still unclear if or how the uk will leave the eu thursdays draft deal has further divided the country many people believe the uks government will not agree to the new deal

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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The UK Prime Minister Theresa May is battling to save the Brexit deal with the European Union, and her job. The Brexit agreement is in danger after the UK Brexit secretary Dominic Raab and other senior ministers resigned. They quit because of the "final" deal that Ms May agreed with Europe on Thursday. Mr Raab said the deal was bad for the UK. He said it would not allow the UK to leave the EU. Ms May said her government has a choice. It must choose to leave the EU with no deal, risk Brexit never happening, or support the deal. She said: "The choice is clear. We can choose to leave with no deal, we can risk no Brexit at all, or we can choose to unite and support the best deal that can be negotiated." Brexit means "British exit from the European Union". On June 23, 2016, the British people voted to leave the EU. Nearly 52 percent of voters voted to leave. They voted to leave because they thought Britain would be stronger outside of the EU. They wanted the UK to have more control over its future and to make trade agreements with other countries. They also wanted to be free from EU laws. People who voted to stay believe the UK is stronger as part of the EU. The United Kingdom is due to leave the EU on March 29, 2019, at 11 pm UK time. It is still unclear how the UK will leave the EU. Thursday's draft deal has further divided the country. Many people believe the UK's government will not agree to the new deal.

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. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. BREXIT: Make a poster about Brexit. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. EUROPEAN UNION: Write a magazine article about the European Union and that it is best for Britain to stay part of it. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. 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.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on Brexit. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your opinions on Brexit. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. d 2. a 3. c 4. e 5. f 6. g 7. b
8. k 9. m 10. n 11. j 12. i 13. h 14. l

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- a F b T c F d F e F f T g T h T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

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|---------------|--------------------|
| 1. battling | a. fighting |
| 2. agreement | b. deal |
| 3. resigned | c. quit |
| 4. support | d. back |
| 5. negotiated | e. discussed terms |
| 6. exit | f. departure |
| 7. thought | g. believed |
| 8. still | h. even now |
| 9. draft | i. preliminary |
| 10. agree | j. approve |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. The Brexit (divorce) deal
2. Senior ministers
3. The UK
4. It was clear
5. Having no Brexit at all
6. British exit from the European Union
7. Nearly 52%
8. Control
9. 11pm
10. Divided it

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

1. Battling to save the Brexit divorce deal.
2. It would not allow the UK to leave.
3. Choose to leave the EU with no deal.
4. We can choose to leave with no deal.
5. Support the best deal that can be negotiated.
6. Britain would be stronger outside of the EU.
7. They wanted the UK to have more control.
8. They wanted to be free from EU laws.
9. Thursday's draft deal has further divided the country.
10. People believe the UK's government will not agree.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. c 2. a 3. a 4. b 5. d 6. b 7. a 8. c 9. d 10. a

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)