

Pre-intermediate Workout

Unit 12 Good News! – Listening

Pre-listening

1 Good news or Bad news? Read the news and decide if it's good or bad!

	Good News	Bad News
1 The number of animals at risk of extinction is decreasing.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 The atmosphere and the oceans are too hot because of pollution.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 Icebergs are melting, sea levels are rising and tornadoes are more frequent.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4 Wind is a natural resource that is becoming an increasingly popular choice in the production of energy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5 Harmful gasses have created a hole in the ozone layer.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6 If all the countries in the world start polluting less, the hole in the ozone layer will become smaller and even close right up by the year 2050.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2 Complete the definitions with the words in the box.

bulb disease extinction stands for harmful renewable famine undernourished awareness

- 1 _____ : to know about something
- 2 _____ : glass object inside a light or a lamp
- 3 _____ : illness
- 4 _____ : to stop existing
- 5 _____ : when there is not enough food
- 6 _____ : dangerous
- 7 _____ : does not have limited supply
- 8 _____ : not having enough to eat

Did You Know?

Wind-energy is measured in MW (megawatt)



While-listening

TR 12 Good News

3 Listen and answer these questions.

- 1 Why is wind becoming such a popular choice in the production of energy?
- 2 According to the GWEC what percentage of the world's energy will wind power provide by 2030?
- 3 What will happen in 2050 if all the countries in the world start polluting less?
- 4 Has the number of animals at risk of extinction increased or decreased?
- 5 What are scientists working on at the moment?
- 6 What is *Plumpy Nut*?

Post-listening

4 Complete this summary.

(1) _____ cures, (2) _____ diseases

Diseases are becoming more curable. Prevention along with the numerous public (3) _____ campaigns (4) _____ excellent results, for example in the fight against cancer and AIDS. At the moment scientists (5) _____ on a new cure for malaria: a disease which kills a million people in Africa every year.