

A closer look at long sentences EXERCISES

PART I. Put the following chunks into correct order to make one meaningful sentence. The last chunk has been given.

---- due to low water levels at its hydroelectric dams on the Volta River

--5-- to make sure the grid held up.

---- and with lots of households planning to watch the World Cup on TV,

---- Ghana was facing electricity shortages

---- the government had to take drastic steps

PART II. Answer the following questions according to the information in the sentence below.

Ghana is importing 50 megawatts of power from the Ivory Coast, running its existing power plants at full blast, and slowing production at a massive aluminium plant to make sure there's enough electricity - and to avoid blackouts and shortages during a widely anticipated match (the World Cup).

1. What three things is Ghana doing to provide electricity to the country?

2. For what purpose(s) is Ghana doing them?

3. What is expected to happen during the World Cup?

PART III. Combine the following (three) simple sentences to make one long complex sentence.

Without electricity, many households turn to* wood stoves.

Their pollution kills 4.3 million people per year worldwide.

This [*Their pollution kills 4.3 million people per year worldwide.*] is more than AIDS and malaria combined*.

*turn to sb/sth: to go to someone or use something in order to get help

*combined: joined; together

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<http://www.vox.com/2014/6/16/5814142/ghana-has-to-ration-electricity-just-so-everyone-can-watch-the-world>