

ANSWER KEY

Tuesday English News: Broadcast Date: Oct 27th, 2020

Listen to the video titled *Headlines* by Young Post for some of the latest news and fill in any required information.

A: Covid news

	<p>1. First Covid news item</p> <p>Two companies had to stop <i>clinical trials</i> of a <i>vaccine</i> for Covid-19 because of (a) safety concerns. The (b) volunteers had developed unknown illnesses.</p> <p><i>((b) Hint: people who do something for no money)</i></p>
<p>2. Second Covid news item</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p style="font-size: small; text-align: center;">Image Instagrammed by jessiekateyama</p> </div> <p>Jessie Kateyama, a (a) boxer from Japan got a one-man tour of Machu Picchu. This famous tourist sight had been closed since the <i>lockdown</i> in the country of (b) Peru since March.</p>	<p>3. Third Covid news item</p> <p><i>Fill in the missing part with a number.</i></p> <p>The town of Qingdao / Tsingtao is testing 9.5 million residents because of the first locally <i>transmitted</i> case in almost two months.</p>

B: Nobel prize winners

Fill in the missing information.

Names of winners	Nobel prize won	Reason for awarding the prize
1. Doctors Harvey Alter, Michael Hoffman and Charles Rice	Medicine	discovery of hepatitis C virus
2. Roger Penrose, Reinhard Genzel & Andrea Ghez	Physics	work on black holes
3. Emmanuelle Charpentier & Jennifer Doudna	Chemistry	work on CRISPER gene editing system
4. Louise Gluck	Literature	poetry / her unmistakable poetic voice
5. World Food Programme	Peace	efforts in <i>combating</i> global hunger
6. Paul Milgrom & Robert Wilson	Economics	<i>novel</i> ways of auctioning goods including radio frequencies

Were you listening corner (what was said at the beginning of this headlines news?):

Who DID NOT win a Nobel prize but thinks he deserves one? **Trump**, of course

Which US president did win the Nobel Peace Prize? **Obama** When? **2009**

Bonus questions: Testing your knowledge

(a) Which late famous scientist was famous for his pioneering work on black holes?

Stephen Hawking

(b) (i) Who was the founder of the Nobel prizes? **Alfred Nobel**

(ii) Which country was he from? **Sweden**

(ii) When was the first Nobel prize awarded? **1901**

Time to think: What do you think of the Nobel prizes? What is the irony, in particular, with the prize titled the Nobel Peace Prize?

C: US Presidential Debate



What's the latest with the presidential debates? NOTHING!

Why? Trump decided to **duck out** of the *virtual* debate. Which of the following phrasal verbs was used to say that Trump chose not to have/cancel the virtual debate?

A. pull out	B. duck out
C. jump out	D. let go

Word Power Corner: *Look at the words chosen from the news items in the table below, and choose the word which best fits the missing words in the following passage making sure your answers are grammatically correct. Use the clues in brackets to help you. You will not need all the words given.*

vaccine	clinical	trials	transmit
lockdown	novel	combat	virtual

Given that Covid-19 can be (a) **transmitted** (*moved from one person to another*) easily, and the spike in cases, many countries have been forced to go into (b) **lockdown** to try and stop the spread of the disease. It is essential a (c) **vaccine** (*medicine to cure an illness*) is developed to help to try and (d) **combat** (*fight*) this disease. However, in the meantime, it is interesting to see the (e) **novel** (*new and original*) ways people have come up with to try and remain sane and healthy, especially when forced to be socially isolated at home for days or weeks on end. The (f) **virtual** world where lessons and meetings take place online with platforms such as Zoom, Google Meet and Teams, has seemingly taken over.

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