## THE NEWS QUIZ Basic English

## 2020 - Week 14

- This country sells 12 billion plants and flowers each year. Almost half of all the flowers sold in the world. The country's tulips are famous. The coronavirus pandemic means that the country's growers must now throw most of the flowers away. Which country?
- The heir to the British throne has been infected by the coronavirus. His mother, Queen Elizabeth II, has travelled to Windsor Castle to protect herself from infection. Who is Queen Elizabeth's heir?
- Earth Hour takes place on the last Saturday in March. Many people around the world will switch out their lights for one hour. The first time Earth Hour was observed was in 2007. Which organisation started Earth Hour?
- This country, where the people call themselves "kiwis", was the first where women got the right to vote. Even so, up until recently, abortion was a crime in the country. Last week the country changed its law and decriminalised abortion. Which country?
- The Aurora or the Northern Lights are a celestial phenomenon. Electrons from the sun react with gases in the Earth's atmosphere and produce dancing colours. We can see the Aurora best in polar regions. What is the most common colour we see in the Northern Lights?
- Construction of Karlatornet (The Charles Tower) has stopped for the moment. When the tower is completed, it will be the tallest building in the Nordic region. It will be 245 meters high and stand on Hisingen. In which city?
- It took them 15 years to count, but now scientists reckon that there are 28,000 different species in Sweden. But they may have missed counting around 5000 species. What type of animal were they counting?
- The cranes have started to arrive at Lake Hornborga in 8 Västergötland. More than 25,000 cranes usually gather here each spring to dance their mating dance at the lake's southern tip. The cranes are on their way ... where?
- The Tokyo Summer Olympics should have started on 24th July, but because of the coronavirus pandemic they are postponed. When has the International Olympic Committee decided the Tokyo Olympics will take place?
- It started out as a game on mobiles and game consoles. The player uses a catapult to shoot birds at pigs. Then came two feature films. Now the game will be a series on Netflix. What is the name of this game, movie and series?

- 1. Austria
- X. The Netherlands
- 2. Ireland
- 1. Prince Harry
- X. Prince Charles
- 2. Prince Philip
- 1. Amnesty International
- X. The Red Cross
- 2. The WWF
- 1. Ireland X. Australia 2. New Zealand 2 3 1. Blue 4 X. Green 5 2. Red 6 7 8 1. Gothenburg 9
- 2. Stockholm
- X. Malmö

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X. Birds 2. Insects

1. Fishes



- 1. To the north Sweden and Finland
- X. To Spain and Portugal
- 2. To Africa south of the Sahara
- 1. In October 2020
- X. No later than summer 2021
- 2. In the spring of 2022
- 1. Angry Birds
- X. Tiny Wings
- 2. Bad Piggies