

DAILY ENGLISH

E10 - The fact that the earthquake destroyed a lot of buildings is affecting the entire town.

The background image shows a paved road with a significant longitudinal crack. A large section of the road surface has shifted downwards, creating a deep gap. To the right of the crack, an orange and white striped traffic cone stands on the road. The surrounding area is filled with dry, scrubby vegetation and some green bushes. The sky is overcast.

Lead-in

1. What natural disasters are common in your country?
2. What was the biggest natural disaster that hit your country?

Target Language

▼ In this lesson, we will learn:

Grammar Focus

Noun Clause as an Appositive

Daily Expression

The fact that the earthquake destroyed a lot of buildings is affecting the entire town.

Picture Description

▼ Please describe each picture.



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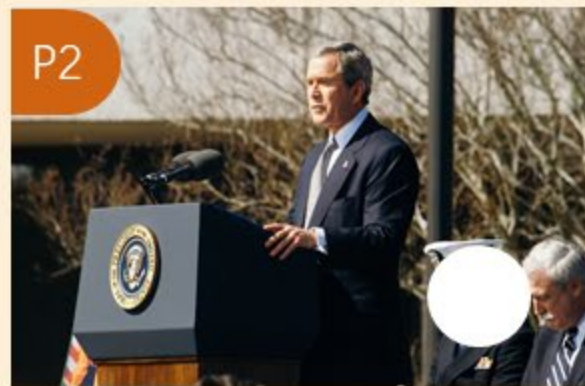
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Pronunciation and Matching

▼ Read the example sentences.

1. The fact that the earthquake destroyed a lot of buildings is affecting the entire town.
2. The predicament of whether they should ask for help from other countries or not is being considered.

▼ Match the sentences with the corresponding pictures.



Conversation

▼ Listen to the conversation.

A: **The fact that the earthquake destroyed a lot of buildings is affecting the entire town.**

B: Really? How is the government handling it? I heard they are stuck in a predicament.

A: Yes, **the predicament of whether they should ask for help from other countries or not is being considered.**

B: I hope they can decide soon. The victims of the earthquake are in need of real help.

Questions:

- What natural disaster damaged a lot of buildings?
- What was affected by the damage caused by the earthquake?
- Who needs help the most?

Grammar Focus

▼ Read the grammar structure.

Noun Clause as an Appositive

The fact **that the earthquake destroyed a lot of buildings** is affecting the entire town.

The predicament of **whether they should ask for help from other countries or not** is being considered.

Grammar Check

▼ Underline the appositive in each sentence.

1. The problem, that you did not pick up the packages, delays the entire production schedule.

2. His decision, whether to resign from his job or not, seems difficult.

3. I think the solution, that he hired a replacement, was the best course of action at the time.

4. The problem that economics is getting worse seems to be quite serious.

5. The answer from the company, that we buy a new table, angers me.

Grammar Check

▼ Make a sentence with noun clause as an appositive for each note.

Project: proposed by the building expert

disapproved

Predicament: hire new employees or not

considered

Solution: we look for a new building

approved

Proposal: we will work from home

mentioned

Daily Scene

Read each interesting fact about our planet. Then express how does each fact make you feel by using noun clause as an appositive.

7 facts about the Earth

- Coral reefs are the largest living structures on Earth.
- Lakes can explode.
- We're losing fresh water.
- Earth used to be purple.
- Glaciers are melting fast.
- The planet is electric.
- 70% of the Earth's surface is covered in water.