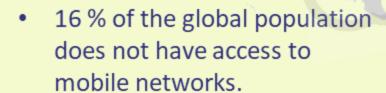


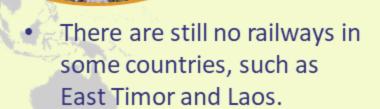
Lead in

Read and Answer

 According to the data from World Health Organization, at least half of the global population do not have access to the basic health services.







Is it necessary for a country to invest more money to strengthen infrastructure projects? Why?





Read and Review

Infrastructure provides the basic needs to society. It can include public services like railway system. Nowadays, the development of railway system is unequal in different countries, especially in the developing countries.

Due to financial reasons, Vietnam's investment in railway is very limited, so the railway development is very slow. The Philippines has less advanced and intelligent railway system. China's high-speed railways use newer and more advanced technologies. Japan's rail problem is how to maintain or replace the old railway systems which exist so many years. Therefore, the Japanese government is working to provide more intelligent railway systems and better travel experience for people.





Read and Review

Fill in 'T (true)' or 'F (false)' according to the passage.

- 1. Vietnam's railway development is seriously affected by economic and financial conditions.
- 2. China has built a high-speed rail network, but its development is slow.
- 3. The Philippines has many advanced and intelligent railway system.
- 4. The Japanese government is working to provide more intelligent railway systems and better travel experience for people.



Focus on Global Issues

Read the poor infrastructure situations in the following countries.

In Brazil



Overcrowded stations with old and slow trains are a symbol of the railway system in Brazil.

In São Paulo, for example, the subway only covers the cities, so passengers coming from neighborhood cities must take the train to make the connection to the subway.



In Congo (Kinshasa)

In Congo (Kinshasa), people suffer from illness because of the poor local medical equipment.

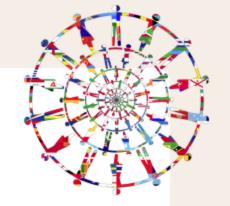
What's more, most people here don't have access to the Internet through a third generation (3G) or higher-quality network.



Focus on Global Issues

Talk about the infrastructure issues in your country.

Your country:



- 1. Does your country have a rapid network system in most areas?
- 2. Does your country have a relatively complete medical system?
- 3. What is the status of railway development in your country?
- 4. Is the infrastructure in the rural areas well built?



Global Issues Shooting

What can we do to improve the poor infrastructure?

For countries:

- a. To invest more money to maintain or improve the poor infrastructure;
- b. To speed up the pace of railway system construction and enhance international technical exchanges and cooperation;
- c. ...





Global Issues Shooting

Sentence patterns:

- ✓ We need make an urgent appeal that...
- ✓ I firmly hold the belief that=I firmly believe that...

List your opinions Build up sentences Give a speech

Sentence build-up:

- a. We need make an urgent appeal that countries should invest more money to maintain or improve poor infrastructure;
- b.
- c.



Speech on Global Issues

Give a speech on how to improve the poor infrastructure in countries.

