

WORLD NEWS

SPAIN



TOLD OFF BY A DRONE!

Like us, the people of Spain have been told to stay at home to stop the coronavirus spreading. The rules mean that no-one is allowed out, unless it is absolutely



essential. Unfortunately, some people haven't been following the rules, so police have had to step in – without having to step outside. Drones with speakers are being flown over public spaces, where they find and yell at people gathering outside! The drones hang around until everyone buzzes off.

SAUDI ARABIA

السعودية

MIRROR, MIRROR ON THE WALLS...

The largest mirrored building in the world has been built in Saudi Arabia. The Maraya Concert Hall is 26 metres tall and can seat 500 people. In total, the building is covered by 9,740 square metres of mirrors! As you can see, it creates a stunning reflection of the mountains and sands that surround it.



NEW ZEALAND



TAXIS FOR THE BIRDS

A taxi driver has a new night job: rescuing chicks that crash-land onto roads! The Hutton's shearwater is a rare seabird that only breeds in two places in New Zealand. It is also the only seabird in the world that nests and raises its young in the mountains. The trouble is, on foggy nights, the grey puffballs mistake glimmering roads for the sea, and fly straight into them.

They're then unable to move, and might get hit by a car or eaten by a cat. Fortunately, Toni Painting and her volunteers are there to help! Toni drives around every night, scooping up the birds she finds at the side of the road, before dropping them off at a rescue centre.



Questions on: 'World News'

1) Match the country to the news topic.

Spain

A new building

Saudi Arabia

Rare bird rescue

New Zealand

Remote control policing

Look at the news from Spain.

2) Why are the people of Spain in a similar situation to the UK at the moment?

3) How are drones being used in Spain?

- To monitor where all the ambulances are in the country
- To stop people gathering in groups outside
- To deliver goods to hospitals

Look at the news from Saudi Arabia.

4) What is the answer to this question:
Mirror, mirror on the wall, what is the largest mirrored building of them all?

For bonus points, which fairy tale does this rhyme come from?

5) Look closely at the picture. Choose **three words** to describe this building.

Look at the news from New Zealand.

6) Find **two** facts about the Hutton's shearwater.

1:

2:

7) What **word** tells you that the roads sometimes shine at night?

Consider all the news.

8) The coronavirus means that there is a lot of serious, and sometimes sad news about. Which of these stories from around the world do you find either **cheering** or **fascinating**? Explain your choice.