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## The Strait of Hormuz



❖ **Section 1:** Watch the news story about the Strait of Hormuz.

Key Words:

- **declare:** To say something officially.
  - The government declared a new law.
- **practically:** Almost; nearly
  - The bottle is practically empty.
- **border:** The line between two countries or areas.
  - Canada and the United States share a border.
- **channel:** A narrow area of water that connects two larger areas of water.
  - Ships travel through the English Channel.
- **trading:** Buying and selling goods or products.
  - The two countries are trading oil and food.
- **transport:** To move people or things from one place to another.
  - Trucks transport goods across the country.
- **LNG** (Liquid Natural Gas): Natural gas that has been cooled into a liquid so it can be transported easily.
  - Japan imports LNG from other countries.
- **fertilizer:** A substance added to soil to help plants grow better.
  - Farmers use fertilizer to help crops grow.
- **grocery store:** A store that sells food and everyday household items.
  - I bought milk at the grocery store.

❖ **Section 2:** Read the summary of the video.

- The Strait of Hormuz is a **small sea route** between Iran and Oman.
- Many ships carry **oil** through this area **every day**.
- About **20% of the world's oil** goes through this route.
- There is **fighting and conflict** near Iran.
- Iran **closed** the Strait of Hormuz **on June 11th** to everyone.
- Because it is closed, ships **cannot carry oil** through the Strait of Hormuz.
- Oil and gas prices **will go up around the world**.
- Problems in this area can **affect many countries**.

❖ **Section 3:** Questions for students.

1. Why is the Strait of Hormuz important?

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2. How can problems in one country affect other countries?

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❖ **Section 4:** Discussion topic with your group.

1. How would your daily life change if oil became more expensive?

2. What sort of products do you think will be affected the most?

3. What can people do to save these products?

❖ **Section 5:** Share your thoughts with another group.