

## Independent Energy Providers in Africa

### 1 New words for this article

*Nouveaux mots pour cet article*

Candle	a stick of wax
Renewable energy	energy from a source that is not burned
To spread	to cover a large surface area
Solar power plant	place for generating electricity using sunlight
To take the lead	to be the person responsible

### 2 Comprehension Questions True/False

*Indiquez si les expressions suivantes sont vraies (True) ou fausses (False).*

1. People don't have electricity because they live away from cities
2. Fewer than half the people in West Africa have electricity
3. By 2025 everyone will have electricity in Cabo Verde
4. There are 3 solar power plants in Cote d'Ivoire
5. Governments control the power supply in their countries

### 3 Reading Comprehension

*Questions de compréhension en lecture*

1. How do many people still light their houses?
2. Which country has the least access to electricity?
3. What does every country possess to help generate electricity?
4. How can Cabo Verde achieve its energy ambition?
5. What is different about who is leading the renewable energy projects?

### 4 Speaking Practice - Activités orales

*Pratiquez vos compétences orales - répétez ces phrases.*

1. Only a few people have access to electricity
2. There is more and more interest in renewable energy
3. Cabo Verde is a good example of success
4. Interest is spreading across the region

### 5 Speaking Practice - Activités orales

*Exercez-vous à parler - répondez à ces questions en anglais:*

1. What do approximately 600 million people still do?
2. What is Cabo Verde's energy ambition?
3. Where are the solar plants being built in Cote d'Ivoire?
4. What have governments allowed to happen?

### 6 Match the sentences (A-D) and (E-H) -

*Faire correspondre les phrases (A-D) et (E-H).*

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|---|--------------------------|
| A | Distances are too big    |
| B | It's a question          |
| C | it mixes                 |
| D | They signed a contract   |
| E | all three energy sources |
| F | to connect people        |
| G | of innovative thinking   |
| H | to build the power plant |

### 7 True or False? - Vrai ou Faux?

1. Regional governments produced a report on energy use in west Africa
2. Cabo Verde is working with scientists to produce 100% renewable energy
3. Cote d'Ivoire started constructing solar energy plants in 2018
4. Countries need more investment before they can start building renewable energy plants.

### 8 Fill in the gap - Remplir le vide

But it is not governments who are ...1... the lead in this. It is independent energy ...2.... These are companies that invest in researching new ...3... and developing it for specific ...4.... Before, governments controlled the ...5...in their countries. However, at the beginning of the 21st century, they started to allow private companies and foreign companies to help ...6... new power plants.

## Answers –

### 2 Comprehension questions

Indiquez si les expressions suivantes sont vraies (True) ou fausses (False).

- 1 True
- 2 False
- 3 False
- 4 True
- 5 False

### 3 Reading Comprehension

Questions de compréhension en lecture

1. They use candles to light their homes
2. Burkino Faso has least access
3. Sun, wind and water
4. With a mix of three renewable energy sources
5. Now some private companies are getting involved

### 5 Speaking Practice – Activités Orales

Exercez-vous à parler - répondez à ces questions en anglais:

1. They use candles to light their homes
2. Getting 90% renewable energy by 2025
3. In the north of the country
4. They have allowed private and foreign companies to invest.

### 6 Match the sentences (A-D) and (E-H) –

Faire correspondre les phrases (A-D) et (E-H).

- A=G
- B=F
- C=E
- D=H

### 7 True or False? - Vrai ou Faux?

- 1 False
- 2 True
- 3 False
- 4 False

### 8 Fill in the gap – Remplir le vide

- 1 taking
- 2 providers
- 3 technology
- 4 situations
- 5 energy
- 6 build