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**Transcript:**

Its name may mean 'peace', but the Bolivian city La Paz is not normally noted for its **calm**.

That is, apart from on the annual day of the **pedestrian**.

Vehicles are banned for 24 hours and the usually **traffic-choked** streets are **taken over** by cyclists, street performers and people playing sport.

The idea is to raise the environmental **awareness** of Bolivians.

**Vocabulary:**

**calm**

peacefulness

**pedestrian**

person who is walking

**traffic-choked**

full of cars and other vehicles

**taken over**

assumed control of

**awareness**

knowledge

**Watch the video online: Peaceful La Paz**

<http://bbc.in/Q1eNrP>

### **Exercise:**

Use one of the words or phrases below to complete each of these sentences from BBC news reports.

Note that you may have to change the form of a word to complete the sentence correctly.

### **calm / pedestrian / traffic-choked / taken over / awareness**

- 1.** Tahrir Square - the sprawling, usually \_\_\_\_\_, plaza at the heart of Cairo - became the hub of the revolution which unseated President Hosni Mubarak on 11 February.
  
- 2.** Four water cannons were deployed by police. The area returned to \_\_\_\_\_ at about 03:00 BST.
  
- 3.** She established many of the smuggling routes, \_\_\_\_\_ by the Medellin cartel after she was sentenced to 20 years in prison for drug trafficking.
  
- 4.** Back in 2003, a group of young men started a movement to clean up the streets of Darayya and raise \_\_\_\_\_ among people to fight corruption.
  
- 5.** In 2009, wealthy 20-year-old Hu Bin killed a \_\_\_\_\_ on the streets of Hangzhou.

**Answers:**

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**Source:** Tahrir Square's place in Egypt's history

<http://bbc.in/hRXsVf>

**2.** Four water cannons were deployed by police. The area returned to **calm** at about 03:00 BST.

**Source:** Police chief urges action as violence flares in Belfast

<http://bbc.in/OS5Y1t>

**3.** She established many of the smuggling routes, **taken over** by the Medellin cartel after she was sentenced to 20 years in prison for drug trafficking.

**Source:** Colombia's 'queen of cocaine' Griselda Blanco killed

<http://bbc.in/RBKg2H>

**4.** Back in 2003, a group of young men started a movement to clean up the streets of Darayya and raise **awareness** among people to fight corruption.

**Source:** Darayya deaths shocks Syrians

<http://bbc.in/PW9Q14>

**5.** In 2009, wealthy 20-year-old Hu Bin killed a **pedestrian** on the streets of Hangzhou.

**Source:** Gu Kailai and the body double debate

<http://bbc.in/StE7Hf>