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# BBC LEARNING ENGLISH

## News Review

### UN advises forceful peacekeeping

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#### **BBC World Service report**

##### **The story**

A United Nations report says peacekeeping forces need to change the way they operate in high-risk situations and not shy away from using force if necessary.

The report says the UN blue helmet and flag no longer offer natural protection while hostile forces don't understand a language other than force.

##### **Vocabulary**

###### **foil**

prevent something from happening

###### **escalating**

increasing

###### **shy**

avoid doing something

##### **Language challenge**

UN peacekeepers have been told to change their methods when dealing with hostile forces. Which of these words is not a synonym of hostile?

- a) sympathetic
- b) contentious
- c) belligerent

**Answer**

a) sympathetic