



Our World

Week Beginning: Monday 29 March 2021



This Week in Our World...

This week the focus of 'Our World' is the container ship that has run aground in the Suez Canal.

The Suez Canal Authority (SCA) have been working to try to free a giant ship called The Ever Given after it was hit by "a sudden strong wind" which caused the ship's hull to hit the bottom of the canal and get stuck.

Where is the Suez Canal in the world?



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0 1,000 2,000 Miles
0 1,000 2,000 3,000 Kilometers



Suez Canal



The story so far...

On Tuesday, a huge container ship was blown off course and ran aground on the bank of the Suez Canal. The ship then span sideways and has been blocking the canal ever since.

The Suez Canal is one of the world's busiest trade routes and more than 300 ships are stuck on either side of the blockage and some vessels have had to reroute around Africa.

Map to show the alternate route for cargo.





Recovery Attempts

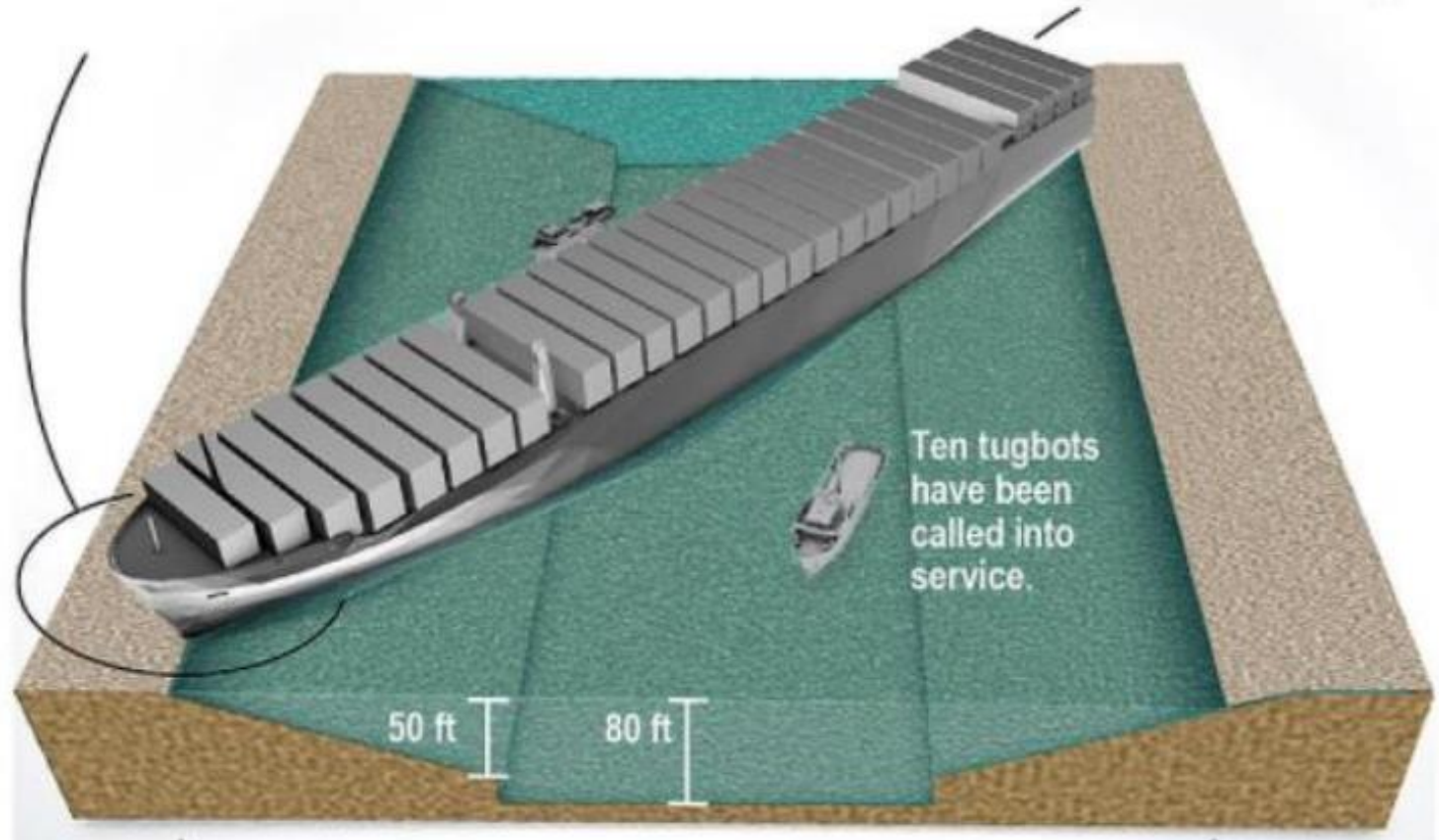
The giant container ship remains stuck across Egypt's Suez Canal after attempts to dislodge it on Saturday's high tide failed.

Canal officials said some progress had been made, however, and more tugboats were joining the effort on Sunday to try and dislodge the ship.

Image to show the different depths in the Suez Canal.

The vessel is wedged in sandy clay, on the eastern wall of the canal.

The rear of the ship is not embeded into the western side of the canal and can be tugged loose.





Articles of the Week

Articles 12 & 13

Participation is one of the four General Principles of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child and is a theme which runs through the whole Convention, but there are two articles we're focusing on this week:

Article 12 – Respect for the views of the child

Every child has the right to express their views, feelings and wishes in all matters affecting them, and to have their views considered and taken seriously. This right always applies, for example during immigration proceedings, housing decisions or the child's day-to-day home life.



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Article 13 – Freedom of expression

Every child must be free to express their thoughts and opinions and to access all kinds of information, as long as it is within the law.

Class Discussion:

What decisions do you make at school? What about at home?
Do you think you should have more of a say?

Speak to your RR Representative to discuss at the committee meeting on Tuesday at 12.45pm.

vessels

Vessels (plural of vessel)

Noun – a ship or large boat

Noun – a hollow container, especially one used to hold liquid, such as a bowl or cask





Watch...



Clip 1 (The Guardian)

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2021/mar/25/suez-canal-blocked-ship-ever-given-stuck>