

Webisode 57DHYAFZVB January 15 2025 Russia knocks out Kiev heat in the bitter cold

Cartoon 1 of 6 The Cruellest Winter for Kiev! Russia Knocks Out the Heat in the Bitter Cold! Cell 1 This is not the first time that Kyiv a city of three million has endured power cuts as Russia has tried and failed to freeze the largest city in Ukraine! Cell 2 This year though Russian missile and drone attacks are having a serious impact. Cell 3 Power has been out for days on end! Cell 4 About 500 apartment buildings have no heat at all city authorities said the most dramatic breakdown so far in the war!

Cartoon 2 of 6 The Cruellest Winter for Kiev! Russia Knocks Out the Heat in the Bitter Cold! Cell 1 While most of the fighting has raged at a distance from Kyiv in east Ukraine the capital is still a symbolic prize! Cell 2 It is out of reach of Russian ground forces but within range of exploding drones and missiles! Cell 3 The Russian goal is to render it uninhabitable! Cell 4 While Kyiv has carried on remarkably well through the years of war it is most vulnerable when the weather turns cold!

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