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## **Level 0**

### **Amazon.com testing drone delivery service**

**4th December, 2013**

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**Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.**

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# THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1312/131204-drone-delivery-service-0.html>

Amazon will use drones to deliver parcels. The drones are small helicopters. They look like toys or things from science fiction. They will deliver in 30 minutes. They can carry things up to 2.3kg. Most of Amazon's parcels are under this weight.

Amazon's boss talked about the drones on TV. He said they can't deliver everything.

The drones could start by 2018. They will be good for the environment. They are better than driving trucks around. The U.S. needs to say OK, so Amazon is making them safe to fly.

Amazon's boss said the drones mustn't fall on someone's head.

Amazon wants to be the best. It doesn't want to disappear.

Sources: <http://news.sky.com/story/1176325/amazon-testing-drone-delivery-system>  
<http://money.cnn.com/2013/12/01/technology/amazon-drone-delivery/>  
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# VOCABULARY MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1312/131204-drone-delivery-service-0.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                                       |                             |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. use drones to deliver              | a. like toys                |
| 2. The drones                         | b. about the drones on TV   |
| 3. They look                          | c. parcels                  |
| 4. things from science                | d. this weight              |
| 5. They can carry things up           | e. fiction                  |
| 6. Most of Amazon's parcels are under | f. can't deliver everything |
| 7. Amazon's boss talked               | g. are small helicopters    |
| 8. He said they                       | h. to 2.3kg                 |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                           |                     |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. The drones could start | a. trucks           |
| 2. good for               | b. be the best      |
| 3. better than driving    | c. by 2018          |
| 4. The U.S. needs to say  | d. making them safe |
| 5. Amazon is              | e. OK               |
| 6. fall on                | f. the environment  |
| 7. Amazon wants to        | g. to disappear     |
| 8. It doesn't want        | h. someone's head   |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Amazon (1) \_\_\_\_\_ to deliver parcels. The drones are small helicopters. They (2) \_\_\_\_\_ or things from science fiction. They (3) \_\_\_\_\_ 30 minutes. They can carry things (4) \_\_\_\_\_ kg. Most of Amazon's parcels (5) \_\_\_\_\_ weight. Amazon's boss talked about the (6) \_\_\_\_\_. He said they can't deliver everything.

The drones could (7) \_\_\_\_\_. They will be good for the environment. They (8) \_\_\_\_\_ driving trucks around. The U.S. needs (9) \_\_\_\_\_, so Amazon is making them (10) \_\_\_\_\_. Amazon's boss said the drones (11) \_\_\_\_\_ someone's head. Amazon wants to (12) \_\_\_\_\_. It doesn't want to disappear.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

