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## **World champ Go master quits as AI is too good**

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# THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1912/191203-go-grand-champion.html>

A world champion has retired because he has decided humans cannot beat computers at his game. The grand champion is Lee Se-Dol from South Korea. He was world champion at the ancient, strategy board game Go. Some people compare Go to chess. Mr Lee is the only person in the world to ever beat Google's AlphaGo computer algorithm. This is a special A.I. computer program created by Google to play Go. Mr Lee, an 18-time world champion, told reporters earlier this week that: "Even if I become the number one, there is an entity that cannot be defeated. With the debut of A.I. in Go games, I've realized that I'm not at the top even if I become the number one."

The game of Go originated in China around 3,000 years ago. Today, it is played mostly in China, Japan and South Korea. It is believed to be the oldest board game in the world. In 2016, the International Go Federation said it had 75 member nations, and that over 46 million people worldwide knew how to play Go. Mr Lee started playing at the age of five. He turned professional seven years later, when he was 12. He played five games against Google's AlphaGo and lost four of them. He said his one victory was because of a "bug" in the program. The bug did not know what to do when Mr Lee made a "tricky" move. Today's Go programs are much more powerful than the one that beat Mr Lee.

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# WARM-UPS

**1. GO:** Students walk around the class and talk to other students about Go. Change partners often and share your findings.

**2. CHAT:** In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

world / champion / ancient / strategy / board game / computer / number one / top / game / China / nations / professional / victory / bug / program / tricky / powerful

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

**3. BOARD GAMES:** Students A **strongly** believe board games are better than computer games; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

**4. A.I.:** How might Artificial Intelligence challenge humans in these areas? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	What A.I. Could Do	Good Things	Bad Things
Football			
Cooking			
Music			
Teaching			
Friendship			
Art			

**5. COMPUTER:** Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "computer". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

**6. GAMES:** Rank these with your partner. Put the best games at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Go
- Monopoly
- Roulette
- Pictionary
- Tag
- Angry Birds
- Snap
- Tic-Tac-Toe

# VOCABULARY MATCHING

## Paragraph 1

- |              |   |
|--------------|---|
| 1. retired   | a. Belonging to the very distant past.  |
| 2. ancient   | b. A thing with clear and independent existence.  |
| 3. compare   | c. A set of rules to be followed in calculations or other problem-solving operations, especially by a computer. |
| 4. algorithm | d. Show how things are the same or different.   |
| 5. entity    | e. Stopped playing a sport or game competitively.   |
| 6. debut     | f. Became aware of something.   |
| 7. realized  | g. A person's first appearance or performance in a particular role.   |

## Paragraph 2

- |                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| 8. originated    | h. An error in a computer program or system.   |
| 9. mostly        | i. Started.  |
| 10. nation       | j. An act of beating an enemy or opponent in a battle, game, or competition.                 |
| 11. professional | k. Skillful and difficult to deal with.  |
| 12. victory      | l. Country.  |
| 13. bug          | m. A person playing a sport or game, or doing a job or in the performing arts as a paid job. |
| 14. tricky       | n. Usually, generally.   |

# BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1912/191203-go-grand-champion.html>

**1. TRUE / FALSE:** Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. A former Go world champion from South Korea has quit the game. **T / F**
- b. The article said Go was the same as chess. **T / F**
- c. The ex-champion won the world title 18 times. **T / F**
- d. The ex-champion said A.I. means he can never be top. **T / F**
- e. The game of Go began in Japan 3,000 years ago. **T / F**
- f. A world Go organization has 75 countries as its members. **T / F**
- g. The ex-champion was a professional when he was 12 years old. **T / F**
- h. The ex-champion said he beat the Go program once through skill. **T / F**

**2. SYNONYM MATCH:** (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- |                      |               |
|----------------------|---------------|
| 1. <b>retired</b>    | a. liken      |
| 2. <b>beat</b>       | b. difficult  |
| 3. <b>created</b>    | c. mainly     |
| 4. <b>compare</b>    | d. defeat     |
| 5. <b>realized</b>   | e. countries  |
| 6. <b>originated</b> | f. win        |
| 7. <b>mostly</b>     | g. quit       |
| 8. <b>nations</b>    | h. understood |
| 9. <b>victory</b>    | i. made       |
| 10. <b>tricky</b>    | j. began      |

**3. PHRASE MATCH:** (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- |                                     |                          |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. he has decided humans            | a. nations               |
| 2. Some people compare              | b. in China              |
| 3. computer                         | c. the number one        |
| 4. an 18-                           | d. game in the world     |
| 5. even if I become                 | e. "bug" in the program  |
| 6. The game of Go originated        | f. cannot beat computers |
| 7. the oldest board                 | g. algorithm             |
| 8. it had 75 member                 | h. more powerful         |
| 9. his one victory was because of a | i. time world champion   |
| 10. Today's Go programs are much    | j. Go to chess           |

# GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1912/191203-go-grand-champion.html>

A world champion has (1) \_\_\_\_\_ because he has decided humans cannot beat computers at his game. The (2) \_\_\_\_\_ champion is Lee Se-Dol from South Korea. He was world champion at the ancient, (3) \_\_\_\_\_ board game Go. Some people compare Go to chess. Mr Lee is the only person in the world to ever (4) \_\_\_\_\_ Google's AlphaGo computer algorithm. This is a special A.I. computer program (5) \_\_\_\_\_ by Google to play Go. Mr Lee, an 18-time world champion, told reporters (6) \_\_\_\_\_ this week that: "Even if I become the (7) \_\_\_\_\_ one, there is an entity that cannot be defeated. With the debut of A.I. in Go games, I've realized that I'm not at the (8) \_\_\_\_\_ even if I become the number one."

*retired*  
*created*  
*strategy*  
*top*  
*earlier*  
*number*  
*grand*  
*beat*

The game of Go (9) \_\_\_\_\_ in China around 3,000 years ago. Today, it is played (10) \_\_\_\_\_ in China, Japan and South Korea. It is believed to be the oldest (11) \_\_\_\_\_ game in the world. In 2016, the International Go Federation said it had 75 (12) \_\_\_\_\_ nations, and that over 46 million people worldwide knew how to play Go. Mr Lee started playing at the (13) \_\_\_\_\_ of five. He turned professional seven years later, when he was 12. He played five games against Google's AlphaGo and (14) \_\_\_\_\_ four of them. He said his one victory was because of a "bug" in the program. The (15) \_\_\_\_\_ did not know what to do when Mr Lee made a "(16) \_\_\_\_\_" move. Today's Go programs are much more powerful than the one that beat Mr Lee.

*board*  
*age*  
*originated*  
*tricky*  
*member*  
*bug*  
*mostly*  
*lost*

# LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1912/191203-go-grand-champion.html>

- 1) A world champion has retired because he has decided humans \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. cannot beaten computers
  - b. cannot beating computers
  - c. cannot beat computers
  - d. cannot beats computers
- 2) the only person in the world to ever beat Google's AlphaGo \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. computer all go rhythm
  - b. compute an all gore in
  - c. computer all going thin
  - d. computer algorithm
- 3) Mr Lee, an 18-time world champion, told reporters \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. earlier this week
  - b. earlier this weeks
  - c. earlier this weak
  - d. earlier this weaken
- 4) there is an entity that cannot be defeated. With \_\_\_\_\_ A.I.
  - a. the day view of
  - b. the day blue of
  - c. the debut of
  - d. the debutant of
- 5) I've realized that I'm not at the top even if I become \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. the number one
  - b. the numbers won
  - c. the numeral one
  - d. the number won
- 6) The game of Go originated in China around \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. 3,000 year ago
  - b. 3,000 years ago
  - c. 3,000 years ergo
  - d. 3,000 years a go
- 7) It is believed to be the \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. old is board game
  - b. oldest bored game
  - c. oldest board game
  - d. oldest bored game
- 8) Mr Lee started playing at the age of five. He turned \_\_\_\_\_ years later
  - a. professionally seven
  - b. professions even
  - c. professional even
  - d. professional seven
- 9) He played five games against Google's AlphaGo and \_\_\_\_\_ them
  - a. last four of
  - b. lost for of
  - c. lost four of
  - d. last for of
- 10) The bug did not know what to do when Mr Lee made \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. a "trick key" move
  - b. a "trick" e-move
  - c. a "tricky" move
  - d. eight-trick move

# LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1912/191203-go-grand-champion.html>

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The game of Go (7) \_\_\_\_\_ around 3,000 years ago. Today, it is played mostly in China, Japan and South Korea. It is believed to be the (8) \_\_\_\_\_ in the world. In 2016, the International Go Federation said it had (9) \_\_\_\_\_, and that over 46 million people worldwide knew how to play Go. Mr Lee started playing (10) \_\_\_\_\_ of five. He turned professional seven years later, when he was 12. He played five games against Google's AlphaGo and lost four of them. He said his (11) \_\_\_\_\_ because of a "bug" in the program. The bug did not know what to do when Mr Lee made a "tricky" move. Today's Go programs are (12) \_\_\_\_\_ than the one that beat Mr Lee.



# COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1912/191203-go-grand-champion.html>

1. Where is the former Go world champion from?
2. What kind of game did the writer say Go was?
3. What is the name of the Google program that plays Go?
4. How many times was the man world champion?
5. What did the man say he could not be, even if he was number one?
6. How long ago was Go invented?
7. How many nations were in the International Go Federation in 2016?
8. How many people knew how to play Go in 2016?
9. What happened when the former champion turned 12?
10. What did the man say was the reason for his one victory?

# MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1912/191203-go-grand-champion.html>

- 1) Where is the former Go world champion from?
  - a) Japan
  - b) China
  - c) North Korea
  - d) South Korea
- 2) What kind of game did the writer say Go was?
  - a) a fun and interesting game
  - b) an ancient, strategy board game
  - c) a challenging game of strategy
  - d) a game to increase intelligence
- 3) What is the name of the Google program that plays Go?
  - a) BetaGo
  - b) DeltaGo
  - c) GammaGo
  - d) AlphaGo
- 4) How many times was the man world champion?
  - a) 16
  - b) 17
  - c) 18
  - d) 19
- 5) What did the man say he could not be, even if he was number one?
  - a) a legend
  - b) a cyborg
  - c) the best
  - d) top
- 6) How long ago was Go invented?
  - a) 4,000 years ago
  - b) 1,000 years ago
  - c) 3,000 years ago
  - d) 2,000 years ago
- 7) How many nations were in the International Go Federation in 2016?
  - a) 75
  - b) 76
  - c) 74
  - d) 77
- 8) How many people knew how to play Go in 2016?
  - a) exactly 46 million
  - b) just under 46 million
  - c) more than 46 million
  - d) around 46 million
- 9) What happened when the former champion turned 12?
  - a) he became world champion
  - b) he turned professional
  - c) he beat a world champion
  - d) he discovered Go
- 10) What did the man say was the reason for his one victory?
  - a) a computer bug
  - b) a special drink
  - c) a better strategy
  - d) luck

# ROLE PLAY

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## **Role A – Go**

You think Go is the best game. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their games. Also, tell the others which is the least fun of these (and why): Monopoly, Angry Birds or Tic-Tac-Toe.

## **Role B – Monopoly**

You think Monopoly is the best game. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their games. Also, tell the others which is the least fun of these (and why): Go, Angry Birds or Tic-Tac-Toe.

## **Role C – Angry Birds**

You think Angry Birds is the best game. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their games. Also, tell the others which is the least fun of these (and why): Tic-Tac-Toe: Monopoly, Go or DDDDDD.

## **Role D – Tic-Tac-Toe**

You think Tic-Tac-Toe is the best game. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their games. Also, tell the others which is the least fun of these (and why): Monopoly, Angry Birds or Go.

# AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1912/191203-go-grand-champion.html>

**1. WORD SEARCH:** Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'board' and 'game'.

<b>board</b>	<b>game</b>
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

**2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS:** Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

**3. GAP FILL:** In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

**4. VOCABULARY:** Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

**5. TEST EACH OTHER:** Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• retired</li><li>• strategy</li><li>• only</li><li>• 18</li><li>• one</li><li>• top</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 3,000</li><li>• mostly</li><li>• 75</li><li>• age</li><li>• four</li><li>• move</li></ul>
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# BOARD GAMES SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1912/191203-go-grand-champion.html>

Write five GOOD questions about board games in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

# BOARD GAMES DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'champion'?
3. What do you know about the game Go?
4. Are you good at playing board games?
5. In what way are board games better than computer games?
6. Should Mr Lee have quit?
7. What would you like to be world champion at?
8. Is it fair to play a game against a computer?
9. How dangerous do you think AI is?
10. How do you feel when you lose at a game?

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# BOARD GAMES DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'game'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What are the good things about playing against a computer?
15. What is your favourite board game?
16. What is the most popular game in your country?
17. What can we learn from games like Go?
18. Will computers ever beat us at games like football and tennis?
19. Would you rather play against a person or computer?
20. What questions would you like to ask Mr Lee?

## **DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)**

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

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## **DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)**

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

# LANGUAGE - CLOZE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1912/191203-go-grand-champion.html>

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**Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.**

- |     |               |              |             |             |
|-----|---------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1.  | (a) retired   | (b) refried  | (c) retried | (d) refined |
| 2.  | (a) luxurious | (b) large    | (c) grand   | (d) huge    |
| 3.  | (a) by        | (b) of       | (c) to      | (d) at      |
| 4.  | (a) evens     | (b) even     | (c) every   | (d) ever    |
| 5.  | (a) enter     | (b) entree   | (c) entity  | (d) entire  |
| 6.  | (a) razed     | (b) realized | (c) rallied | (d) reeled  |
| 7.  | (a) must      | (b) mostly   | (c) misty   | (d) murkily |
| 8.  | (a) then      | (b) how      | (c) that    | (d) what    |
| 9.  | (a) twisted   | (b) twirled  | (c) turned  | (d) screwed |
| 10. | (a) algorithm | (b) computer | (c) win     | (d) one     |
| 11. | (a) toasty    | (b) tinny    | (c) tasty   | (d) tricky  |
| 12. | (a) owns      | (b) own      | (c) once    | (d) one     |



# SPELLING

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## Paragraph 1

1. A world champion has teDIRr
2. the eaCnTni, strategy board game Go
3. Some people oRpacme Go to chess
4. computer hlmGIatro
5. an entity that cannot be eaeddfet
6. the dteub of A.I. in Go games

## Paragraph 2

7. The game of Go gotieadrni in China
8. the International Go eiOFrtnead
9. 75 member sationn
10. He turned anssrfopeoli seven years later
11. because of a "bug" in the aorprgm
12. much more lwufpero

# PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1912/191203-go-grand-champion.html>

**Number these lines in the correct order.**

- ( ) Federation said it had 75 member nations, and that over 46 million people worldwide knew how
- ( ) victory was because of a "bug" in the program. The bug did not know what to do
- ( ) when Mr Lee made a "tricky" move. Today's Go programs are much more powerful than the one that beat Mr Lee.
- ( ) was 12. He played five games against Google's AlphaGo and lost four of them. He said his one
- ( ) by Google to play Go. Mr Lee, an 18-time world champion, told reporters earlier this
- ( ) to play Go. Mr Lee started playing at the age of five. He turned professional seven years later, when he
- ( ) The game of Go originated in China around 3,000 years ago. Today, it is played mostly in China, Japan
- ( **1** ) A world champion has retired because he has decided humans cannot beat computers at his
- ( ) of A.I. in Go games, I've realized that I'm not at the top even if I become the number one."
- ( ) and South Korea. It is believed to be the oldest board game in the world. In 2016, the International Go
- ( ) game. The grand champion is Lee Se-Dol from South Korea. He was world champion at the ancient, strategy board
- ( ) beat Google's AlphaGo computer algorithm. This is a special A.I. computer program created
- ( ) game Go. Some people compare Go to chess. Mr Lee is the only person in the world to ever
- ( ) week that: "Even if I become the number one, there is an entity that cannot be defeated. With the debut

# PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1912/191203-go-grand-champion.html>

1. computers . beat He humans cannot decided has
2. at game . World board strategy the ancient, champion
3. program created computer Google . A.I. special by
4. that an be There entity is cannot defeated .
5. realized top . I'm that not at the I've
6. the world . The board oldest in game
7. play . 46 million worldwide how to people knew Over
8. was said "bug" . his victory He because a of
9. did know not The to what do . bug
10. Go much powerful . programs are Today's more

# CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1912/191203-go-grand-champion.html>

A world champion has *retired* / *retried* because he has decided humans cannot beat computers *of* / *at* his game. The grand champion is Lee Se-Dol from South Korea. He was world champion at the *ancient* / *elderly*, strategy board game Go. Some people *comparison* / *compare* Go to chess. Mr Lee is the only person in the world to *ever* / *every* beat Google's AlphaGo computer algorithm. This is a *special* / *specially* A.I. computer program created by Google to play Go. Mr Lee, an 18-time world champion, told reporters earlier *this* / *next* week that: "Even if I become the number one, there is an *entirely* / *entity* that cannot be *defeated* / *beat*. With the debut of A.I. in Go games, I've realized that I'm not at the top *eventually* / *even* if I become the number one."

The game of Go *generated* / *originated* in China around 3,000 years ago. Today, it is played mostly in China, Japan and South Korea. It is *belief* / *believed* to be the oldest board game *on* / *in* the world. In 2016, the International Go Federation said it *did* / *had* 75 member nations, and that over 46 million people worldwide knew *what* / *how* to play Go. Mr Lee started playing at the age of five. He *turned* / *twisted* professional seven years later, when he was 12. He played five games *again* / *against* Google's AlphaGo and lost four *of* / *off* them. He said his one victory was because of a "bug" in the program. The bug did not know what to do when Mr Lee made a "*tricky*" / "*tacky*" move. Today's Go programs are much more *power* / *powerful* than the one that beat Mr Lee.

**Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.**

# INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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A w\_r\_l\_d c\_h\_m\_p\_\_n h\_s r\_t\_r\_d b\_c\_\_s\_ h\_ h\_s  
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th\_ \_n\_c\_\_nt, s\_t\_r\_t\_g\_y b\_\_rd g\_m\_ G\_. S\_m\_  
p\_\_p\_l\_ c\_m\_p\_r\_ G\_ t\_ c\_h\_s\_s. Mr L\_\_ \_s th\_n  
l\_y p\_r\_s\_n \_n th\_ w\_r\_l\_d t\_v\_r b\_\_t G\_\_gl\_'s  
Alp\_h\_G\_ c\_m\_p\_t\_r \_l\_g\_r\_t\_h\_m. Th\_s \_s \_s\_p\_c\_\_  
l A.I. c\_m\_p\_t\_r p\_r\_g\_r\_m c\_r\_\_t\_d b\_y G\_\_gl\_  
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p\_\_n, t\_l\_d r\_p\_r\_t\_r\_s \_\_r\_l\_\_r th\_s w\_\_k th\_t  
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\_n \_n\_t\_t\_y th\_t c\_n\_n\_t b\_d\_f\_\_t\_d. W\_t th\_  
d\_b\_t \_f A.I. \_n G\_ g\_m\_s, I'v\_ r\_\_l\_z\_d th\_t  
I'm n\_t \_t th\_ t\_p \_v\_n \_f I b\_c\_m\_ th\_ n\_m  
b\_r \_n\_."

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l\_y G\_. Mr L\_\_ s\_t\_r\_t\_d p\_l\_y\_n\_g \_t th\_ g\_ \_f  
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m\_v\_. T\_d\_y 's G\_ p\_r\_g\_r\_m\_s \_r\_ m\_c\_h m\_r\_  
p\_w\_r\_f\_l th\_n th\_ \_n\_ th\_t b\_\_t Mr L\_\_.

# PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# HOMework

**1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION:** Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

**2. INTERNET:** Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

**3. GO:** Make a poster about the board game Go. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

**4. BOARD GAMES:** Write a magazine article about board games being better than computer games. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

**5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT?** Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

**6. LETTER:** Write a letter to an expert on board games. Ask him/her three questions about them. Give him/her three of your ideas on board games. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

# ANSWERS

## VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. e    2. a    3. d    4. c    5. b    6. g    7. f  
8. i    9. n    10. l    11. m    12. j    13. h    14. k

## TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- a T    b F    c T    d T    e F    f T    g T    h F

## SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. g	2. d	3. i	4. a	5. h
6. j	7. c	8. e	9. f	10. b

## COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. South Korea
2. An ancient, strategy board game
3. AlphaGo
4. Eighteen
5. Top
6. 3,000 years ago
7. 75
8. Over 46 million
9. He became professional
10. A computer bug

## WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

1. He has decided humans cannot beat computers.
2. World champion at the ancient, strategy board game.
3. A special A.I. computer program created by Google.
4. There is an entity that cannot be defeated.
5. I've realized that I'm not at the top.
6. The oldest board game in the world.
7. Over 46 million people worldwide knew how to play.
8. He said his victory was because of a "bug".
9. The bug did not know what to do.
10. Today's Go programs are much more powerful.

## MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. d    2. b    3. d    4. c    5. d    6. c    7. a    8. c    9. b    10. a

## ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.  
(It's good for your English ;-)