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No screaming in Japanese amusement parks

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Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Amusement park operators in Japan released guidelines on visitors screaming in their parks. Japan's government asked companies to prepare for the "new normal" life with COVID-19. Park owners have safety guidelines for life in a coronavirus world. One guideline is no screaming on rollercoasters. Scientists say that singing, screaming or shouting increases the amount of virus an infected person can put into the air. Talking quietly lowers the risk of spreading the virus. The new guidelines say visitors should, "refrain from vocalizing loudly" on all rides.

Japan's amusement parks are slowly reopening. Japan ended its coronavirus emergency earlier this week. Its biggest theme parks, Tokyo Disneyland and Universal Studios Japan, have been closed since early March. They have not set a date to reopen. Other guidelines that parks will follow include wearing masks and social distancing. The parks said: "Ghosts...in haunted houses should maintain a healthy distance from their 'victims'". In addition, park staff dressed as mascots and superheroes should not shake hands or high-five anyone.

Sources: <https://www.japantimes.co.jp/news/2020/05/28/business/japanese-amusement-parks-coronavirus/>
<https://edition.cnn.com/travel/article/japan-theme-parks-guidelines-screaming/index.html>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Japan's government asked | a. loudly |
| 2. prepare for the "new normal" | b. companies |
| 3. safety | c. person |
| 4. no screaming | d. the amount |
| 5. shouting increases | e. guidelines |
| 6. an infected | f. spreading the virus |
| 7. lowers the risk of | g. life |
| 8. refrain from vocalizing | h. on rollercoasters |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Japan ended its coronavirus | a. mascots |
| 2. theme | b. date |
| 3. They have not set a | c. hands |
| 4. Ghosts in haunted | d. emergency |
| 5. maintain a healthy distance | e. five anyone |
| 6. park staff dressed as | f. parks |
| 7. superheroes should not shake | g. houses |
| 8. high- | h. from their victims |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Amusement (1) _____ Japan released guidelines on visitors screaming in their parks. Japan's government asked companies to prepare for (2) _____ life with COVID-19. Park owners have (3) _____ life in a coronavirus world. One guideline is no screaming on rollercoasters. Scientists say that (4) _____ shouting increases the amount of virus an (5) _____ put into the air. Talking quietly lowers the risk of spreading the virus. The new guidelines say visitors (6) _____ vocalizing loudly" on all rides.

Japan's amusement parks (7) _____. Japan ended its coronavirus emergency (8) _____. Its biggest theme parks, Tokyo Disneyland and Universal Studios Japan, have been (9) _____ March. They have not set a date to reopen. Other guidelines that parks will follow include wearing masks (10) _____. The parks said: "Ghosts...in haunted houses should maintain a healthy distance from their 'victims'". In addition, park staff (11) _____ and superheroes should not (12) _____ high-five anyone.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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AMUSEMENT PARKS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2005/200531-amusement-parks-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about amusement parks 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.

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) _____

