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Level 5

Floyd Mayweather wins richest fight in boxing history

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Please try Levels 4 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Floyd Mayweather has won the richest fight in boxing history. He took home an amazing \$100 million for beating Conor McGregor in 10 rounds in Las Vegas. Thousands of spectators paid tens of thousands of dollars for ringside seats. Millions more around the world looked at the fight on pay-per-view streaming sites. Boxing fans called the fight a circus event and a mismatch. Mayweather, one of the greatest fighters in boxing history, who had never lost or been knocked down, fought McGregor - a mixed martial arts fighter in his first ever professional boxing match.

Mayweather, 40, was the heavy favourite, even though he retired two years ago. He had 49 wins (including 26 knockouts) and no defeats. McGregor, 29, is the reigning Ultimate Fighting Championship lightweight world champion. Mayweather's victory came in the 10th round. The referee dived in to save McGregor from any more punishment from Mayweather's punches. The victory puts Mayweather ahead of the legendary Rocky Marciano. McGregor gave a brave performance, but in the end, Mayweather's greater experience and better technique came through.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. the richest fight in boxing | a. fighter |
| 2. Thousands of | b. seats |
| 3. ringside | c. history |
| 4. pay-per-view | d. boxing match |
| 5. a circus event and | e. knocked down |
| 6. never lost or been | f. spectators |
| 7. a mixed martial arts | g. a mismatch |
| 8. his first ever professional | h. streaming sites |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Mayweather, 40, was the heavy | a. performance |
| 2. he retired | b. champion |
| 3. He had 49 wins | c. better technique |
| 4. lightweight world | d. two years ago |
| 5. Mayweather's victory came | e. favourite |
| 6. save McGregor from any | f. (including 26 knockouts) |
| 7. McGregor gave a brave | g. more punishment |
| 8. greater experience and | h. in the 10th round |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Floyd Mayweather has won (1) _____ in boxing history. He took home an amazing \$100 million for beating Conor McGregor in 10 rounds in Las Vegas. Thousands (2) _____ tens of thousands of dollars for ringside seats. Millions more around the world looked at the fight (3) _____ streaming sites. Boxing fans called the fight a circus event and a mismatch. Mayweather, (4) _____ fighters in boxing history, who had never lost or been knocked down, fought McGregor - a (5) _____ fighter in (6) _____ professional boxing match.

Mayweather, 40, (7) _____ favourite, even though he retired two years ago. (8) _____ wins (including 26 knockouts) and no defeats. McGregor, 29, (9) _____ Ultimate Fighting Championship lightweight world champion. Mayweather's victory came in the 10th round. The referee (10) _____ save McGregor from any more punishment from Mayweather's punches. The victory puts Mayweather (11) _____ legendary Rocky Marciano. McGregor (12) _____ performance, but in the end, Mayweather's greater experience and better technique came through.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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BOXING SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about boxing 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) _____

