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Level 1

Japanese robot-wolf to protect farms

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Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Technology could help keep animals out of Japan's farms. Engineers have made the "Super Monster Wolf" to scare away wild animals. The solar-powered scarecrow robot looks real. It has wolf-like hair, scary teeth and red eyes. It also has 48 different wolf howls so animals can't get used to it. Super Monster Wolf will keep wild boar and deer out of rice paddies, farms and fruit orchards. Farmers lose millions of dollars every year because of hungry animals.

Japan's Agricultural Association tested the Super Monster Wolf in nine places. It said the robot really reduced crop losses and was better than electric fences at keeping animals out. The robot senses movement up to one kilometre away. The 65cm-long robot will be sold from next month. The price is \$4,800 but farmers can rent it by the month. Japan's farmers hope this new electronic wolf will stop wild animals eating their crops.

Sources: <https://www.treehugger.com/animals/super-monster-wolf-crop-saving-demon-robot.html>
<http://www.bbc.com/news/blogs-news-from-elsewhere-43303781>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. keep animals out | a. and deer |
| 2. The solar-powered scarecrow robot | b. and red eyes |
| 3. It has wolf- | c. animals |
| 4. scary teeth | d. like hair |
| 5. wild boar | e. orchards |
| 6. rice paddies, farms and fruit | f. of Japan's farms |
| 7. Farmers lose millions | g. looks real |
| 8. because of hungry | h. of dollars |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. the robot really reduced | a. by the month |
| 2. better than electric | b. long robot |
| 3. The robot senses | c. eating their crops |
| 4. The 65cm- | d. crop losses |
| 5. The price | e. wolf |
| 6. farmers can rent it | f. movement |
| 7. new electronic | g. is \$4,800 |
| 8. stop wild animals | h. fences |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Technology could (1) _____ out of Japan's farms. Engineers have made the "Super Monster Wolf" to (2) _____ animals. The solar-powered scarecrow robot looks real. It has (3) _____, scary teeth and red eyes. It also has 48 (4) _____ so animals can't get used to it. Super Monster Wolf will keep wild boar and deer (5) _____ paddies, farms and fruit orchards. Farmers lose millions of dollars every year (6) _____ animals.

Japan's Agricultural Association tested the Super Monster Wolf (7) _____. It said the robot really reduced crop losses and was better than (8) _____ keeping animals out. The (9) _____ up to one kilometre away. The 65cm-long robot will be sold (10) _____. The price is \$4,800 but farmers can rent it (11) _____. Japan's farmers hope this new electronic wolf will stop wild animals (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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ANIMAL ROBOTS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1803/180309-super-monster-wolf-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about animal robots 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) _____

