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## Level 4

### Former Brazilian president in jail

10th April, 2018

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1804/180410-corruption-4.html>

Brazil's ex-president Lula da Silva is in jail. He got a 12-year sentence for money laundering and corruption. It is a big downfall for him. He still has a lot of support. Hours before giving himself to the police, his supporters tried to stop him. Hundreds of union workers blocked the gate to stop his car. However, with the help of his bodyguards, he could get past the crowds. This meant there were no clashes with armed police.

Mr da Silva is known as Lula. He was born in poverty but worked his way up to become leader of Brazil. He was elected President in 2002 and served from 2003 to 2010. During this time, he started social welfare programs and improved the economy. He helped millions out of poverty. This increased his popularity. Barack Obama called him, "the most popular politician on Earth". When he left the presidency, his approval rating was 83 per cent.

Sources: <http://www.foxnews.com/world/2018/04/08/once-wildly-popular-brazils-da-silva-is-jailed-for-graft.html>  
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# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1804/180410-corruption-4.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                            |                      |
|----------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. money                   | a. were no clashes   |
| 2. He still has a          | b. laundering        |
| 3. giving himself          | c. the gate          |
| 4. his supporters tried to | d. police            |
| 5. workers blocked         | e. to the police     |
| 6. with the help           | f. lot of support    |
| 7. This meant there        | g. of his bodyguards |
| 8. armed                   | h. stop him          |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                |                      |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. worked his                  | a. of poverty        |
| 2. served                      | b. on Earth          |
| 3. social                      | c. way up            |
| 4. He helped millions out      | d. was 83 per cent   |
| 5. This increased his          | e. from 2003 to 2010 |
| 6. the most popular politician | f. the presidency    |
| 7. When he left                | g. popularity        |
| 8. his approval rating         | h. welfare programs  |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Brazil's ex-president Lula da Silva (1) \_\_\_\_\_. He got a 12-year sentence (2) \_\_\_\_\_ and corruption. It is a big downfall for him. He still has a lot of support. Hours (3) \_\_\_\_\_ to the police, his supporters tried to stop him. Hundreds (4) \_\_\_\_\_ blocked the gate to stop his car. However, with the help (5) \_\_\_\_\_, he could get past the crowds. This meant there were no (6) \_\_\_\_\_ police.

Mr da Silva is known as Lula. He was (7) \_\_\_\_\_ but worked his way up to become leader of Brazil. (8) \_\_\_\_\_ President in 2002 and served from 2003 to 2010. (9) \_\_\_\_\_, he started social welfare programs and (10) \_\_\_\_\_. He helped millions out of poverty. This (11) \_\_\_\_\_. Barack Obama called him, "the most (12) \_\_\_\_\_ Earth". When he left the presidency, his approval rating was 83 per cent.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# CORRUPTION SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1804/180410-corruption-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about corruption 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) \_\_\_\_\_

