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Baghdad University gets into world rankings

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THE READING

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For the first time an Iraqi University has made the best universities in the world list. The University of Baghdad has made it onto the Times Higher Education World University Rankings. It has been ranked in the 801-to-a-thousand range on the list of best universities. A director of the Times stated that the university had "distinguished" itself for having a "very strong international cooperation". He said the University of Baghdad had played a very important role in the rebuilding of Iraq after its recent wars and internal troubles.

The University of Baghdad is the largest university in Iraq and the second largest in the Arab world. Its roots go back to the year 1067. The first of the university's modern departments started in 1908. The University of Baghdad was formally established in 1956. It stayed open throughout the invasions and occupations of Iraq earlier this century. Many academics and students see the ranking as a prestigious accolade. One student said: "I am so proud of Baghdad University. It means the world to us to be held in such high esteem."

Sources: <http://www.asianews.it/news-en/In-first-ever,-Iraqi-University-listed-among-best-in-the-world-45052.html>
<https://www.bbc.com/news/business-45627486>
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/University_of_Baghdad

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. For the first | a. itself |
| 2. the best universities in the | b. time |
| 3. in the 801-to-a-thousand | c. of Iraq |
| 4. the list of | d. range |
| 5. the university had "distinguished" | e. internal troubles |
| 6. played a very important | f. world list |
| 7. the rebuilding | g. best universities |
| 8. recent wars and | h. role |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. the second largest | a. world to us |
| 2. Its roots go back | b. in the Arab world |
| 3. Baghdad was formally | c. accolade |
| 4. throughout the invasions | d. esteem |
| 5. a prestigious | e. established in 1956 |
| 6. I am so | f. and occupations |
| 7. It means the | g. to the year 1067 |
| 8. to be held in such high | h. proud |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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For (1) _____ an Iraqi University has made the best universities in (2) _____. The University of Baghdad has made it onto the Times Higher Education World University Rankings. It has been ranked in the 801-to-a-thousand (3) _____ list of best universities. A director of the Times (4) _____ university had "distinguished" itself for having a "very strong international cooperation". He said the University of Baghdad (5) _____ very important role in the rebuilding of Iraq after (6) _____ and internal troubles.

The University of Baghdad (7) _____ university in Iraq and the second largest in the Arab world. Its (8) _____ to the year 1067. The first of the university's modern departments started in 1908. The University of Baghdad was (9) _____ 1956. It stayed open throughout (10) _____ occupations of Iraq earlier this century. Many academics and students (11) _____ as a prestigious accolade. One student said: "I am so proud of Baghdad University. It means the world to us to be (12) _____ high esteem."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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UNIVERSITY SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about university 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) _____

