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Level 0 – 29th April, 2020

Google Meet video conferencing platform improved

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Google made its Meet video conferencing better. Users can now see 16 people on their screen and not four. More people around the world are using video chat. People are speaking to family and friends during lockdown; companies are having online meetings; and schools changed from classroom teaching to online teaching.

Meet will help millions of people in lockdown. Google wrote: "Remote work has become increasingly necessary for public safety." Google says Meet lets people "share and be productive". New features will come soon. People can block out the background noise from typing. Users can also make the video quality better.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. video | a. and friends |
| 2. see 16 people | b. the world |
| 3. More people around | c. teaching |
| 4. video | d. classroom teaching |
| 5. speaking to family | e. on their screen |
| 6. companies are having | f. chat |
| 7. schools changed from | g. conferencing |
| 8. online | h. online meetings |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--|-------------------|
| 1. help millions of people in | a. from typing |
| 2. Remote work has become increasingly | b. safety |
| 3. public | c. come soon |
| 4. Google says Meet lets | d. necessary |
| 5. be | e. quality better |
| 6. New features will | f. people share |
| 7. background noise | g. lockdown |
| 8. make the video | h. productive |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Google made its Meet (1) _____. Users can now see 16 people on their screen (2) _____. More people around the world are (3) _____. People are (4) _____ and friends during lockdown; (5) _____ online meetings; and schools changed from classroom teaching (6) _____.

Meet will help (7) _____ in lockdown. Google wrote: "(8) _____ become increasingly necessary (9) _____." Google says Meet lets people "share and be productive". New features (10) _____.

People can (11) _____ background noise from typing. Users can also make the (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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VIDEO CONFERENCING SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2004/200429-google-meet-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about video conferencing 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) _____

WRITING

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Write about **video conferencing** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
