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## Level 0

Glass slide opens 300 metres above the street
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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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## THE READING

From http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1606/160628-los-angeles-0.html

A slide has opened in L.A. It is on the outside of a building, 300 metres high. It is made of 3 -cm-thick glass. It cost $\$ 3.5$ million to make. The slide starts at the 70th floor and goes down 15 metres. It takes about five seconds from top to bottom. Only one person can slide at a time.

The tower's owner wanted to make something that other buildings didn't have. The slide can support the weight of a school bus. A reporter went on the slide. He said you finish very quickly. You don't even have time to scream. It costs \$25 to get to the 70th floor area. A ride on the slide costs an extra \$8.

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## PHRASE MATCHING

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

1. A slide has
a. glass
2. on the outside
b. high
3. 300 metres
c. from top to bottom
4. It is made of 3 -cm-thick
d. the 70th floor
5. It cost $\$ 3.5$ million
e. opened in L.A.
6. The slide starts at
7. It takes about five seconds
f. slide at a time
8. Only one person can
g. of a building
h. to make

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

1. make something that other buildings
2. The slide can support the
3. school
4. A reporter went on
5. He said you finish very
6. You don't even have time
7. It costs $\$ 25$ to get to the
8. A ride on the slide costs
a. quickly
b. an extra \$8
c. didn't have
d. bus
e. 70th floor area
f. weight
g. to scream
h. the slide

## LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

A slide (1)

$\qquad$
L.A. It is on the outside of a building, (2) $\qquad$ high. It is made of $3-\mathrm{cm}-$
$\qquad$ . It cost \$3.5 million
(4) $\qquad$ . The slide starts at the 70th floor and goes down 15 metres. It takes (5) from top to bottom. Only one person can (6) $\qquad$ .

The (7) $\qquad$ wanted to make something that
$\qquad$ didn't have. The slide can support the
(9) $\qquad$ school bus. A reporter went on the slide. He said you finish (10) $\qquad$ . You don't even have (11) $\qquad$ . It costs $\$ 25$ to get to
the 70th floor area. A ride on the slide (12) $\qquad$ \$8.

# PUT A SLASH ( / )WHERE THE SPACES ARE 

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omtoptobottom.Onlyonepersoncanslideatatime.Thetower'sownerw
antedtomakesomethingthatotherbuildingsdidn'thave.Theslidecans
upporttheweightofaschoolbus.Areporterwentontheslide.Hesaidyouf
inishveryquickly.Youdon'tevenhavetimetoscream.Itcosts\$25togett
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## CITY ATTRACTIONS SURVEY

Write five GOOD questions about city attractions 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) $\qquad$
c)
d)
e) $\qquad$
f) $\qquad$

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## WRITE QUESTIONS \& ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).
a) $\qquad$
b) $\qquad$
c) $\qquad$
d) $\qquad$
e)
f)

## WRITING

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Write about city attractions for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
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$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
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