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Carlos Ghosn to step down as Nissan boss

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THE READING

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Carlos Ghosn, the well-known automotive industry leader, said he will step down as Nissan Motor's president and CEO from April 1. The hugely successful Mr Ghosn will stay with Nissan as chairman. He will look after a group of carmakers that includes Nissan, Renault and Mitsubishi. Ghosn told reporters: "I'm stepping down...because it's the right moment and I have the right team. I think after 16 years as CEO...of Nissan, I can say today that what I can bring to Nissan, I have already brought." He added: "Nissan is profitable, financially healthy, with a clear strategy."

Carlos Ghosn joined Nissan as Chief Operating Officer (COO) in 1999. He became president in 2000 and CEO the following year. He turned Nissan around by producing attractive new cars and models. His cost-cutting strategies earned him the nickname "The Cost Killer". Following Nissan's turnaround, Fortune magazine named him as Asia Businessman of the Year in 2002. A year later, the magazine said he was one of the 10 most powerful people in business outside the USA. He became a celebrity in Japan, where his life story was told in a manga comic book.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. the well-known automotive | a. includes Nissan |
| 2. he will step down as | b. successful Mr Ghosn |
| 3. The hugely | c. the right team |
| 4. a group of carmakers that | d. strategy |
| 5. it's the right | e. profitable |
| 6. I have | f. industry leader |
| 7. Nissan is | g. moment |
| 8. a clear | h. Nissan Motor's president |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. He became president in 2000 and | a. the USA |
| 2. He turned Nissan | b. in Japan |
| 3. attractive new cars | c. around |
| 4. cost-cutting | d. in a manga comic book |
| 5. one of the 10 most powerful | e. strategies |
| 6. outside | f. CEO the following year |
| 7. He became a celebrity | g. and models |
| 8. his life story was told | h. people in business |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Carlos Ghosn, the well-known (1) _____ leader, said he will step down as Nissan Motor's president and CEO from April 1. The (2) _____ Mr Ghosn will stay with Nissan as chairman. He will look (3) _____ carmakers that includes Nissan, Renault and Mitsubishi. Ghosn told reporters: "I'm stepping down...because it's (4) _____ and I have the right team. I think after 16 years as CEO...of Nissan, I can say today (5) _____ bring to Nissan, I have already brought." He added: "Nissan is profitable, financially healthy, (6) _____."

Carlos Ghosn joined Nissan as Chief Operating Officer (COO) in 1999. He became president in 2000 and CEO (7) _____. He turned Nissan around (8) _____ new cars and models. His cost-cutting strategies earned (9) _____ "The Cost Killer". Following Nissan's turnaround, Fortune magazine (10) _____ Asia Businessman of the Year in 2002. A year later, the magazine said (11) _____ 10 most powerful people in business outside the USA. He became a celebrity in Japan, where his life (12) _____ manga comic book.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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CEOS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about CEOs 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) _____

