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Level 0 – 1st November, 2019

Modern humans came from Botswana

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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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The origin of humans is in Botswana. Researchers said all our roots are in northern Botswana. Humans were there 200,000 years ago. They moved across Africa and into Europe and Asia.

A professor said: "We've known for a long time that modern humans originated in Africa roughly 200,000 years ago."

Researchers said we come from an area called Okavango. They looked at DNA from people who live near there today. The people had a lot of DNA called L0. The professor said every time people moved, that event was recorded in our L0. It was a time-stamp. She said everyone walking around today is from this region.

Sources: <https://metro.co.uk/2019/10/29/ancestral-homeland-earliest-human-ancestors-traced-botswana-11005209/>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. The origin of humans | a. a long time |
| 2. all our | b. Africa |
| 3. Humans were there | c. ago |
| 4. They moved across | d. roots |
| 5. into Europe | e. in Africa |
| 6. We've known for | f. is in Botswana |
| 7. modern humans originated | g. and Asia |
| 8. roughly 200,000 years | h. 200,000 years ago |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. we come from an area | a. recorded |
| 2. They looked | b. DNA |
| 3. The people had a lot of | c. region |
| 4. every time people | d. called Okavango |
| 5. that event was | e. around today |
| 6. It was a time- | f. moved |
| 7. everyone walking | g. at DNA from people |
| 8. from this | h. stamp |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The (1) _____ is in Botswana. Researchers said all (2) _____ in northern Botswana. Humans were there 200,000 years ago. (3) _____ Africa and into Europe and Asia. (4) _____: "We've known for (5) _____ that modern humans originated in Africa roughly (6) _____."

Researchers said we come (7) _____ called Okavango. They (8) _____ from people who live (9) _____ . The people had a lot of DNA called L0.

The professor (10) _____ people moved, that event (11) _____ our L0. It was a time-stamp.

She said everyone walking around today is (12) _____ .

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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OUR HOMELAND SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1911/191101-homeland-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about our homeland 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 **our homeland** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
