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Bolivian senator declares herself acting president

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Please try Levels 4 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Bolivia's new leader is opposition senator Jeanine Áñez. She declared herself interim president after the resignation of former-president Evo Morales. Ms Áñez said she was next in line to be president. She vowed to hold elections soon. She said: "I assume the presidency immediately and will do everything necessary to pacify the country." Lawmakers from Mr Morales' socialist party boycotted the vote. His allies branded Ms Áñez "a coup-mongering right-wing senator". Mr Morales said the takeover was the, "sneakiest, most nefarious coup in history".

Mr Morales has fled to Mexico. He feared for his life in Bolivia. He released a photo of himself sleeping on a concrete floor at an undisclosed location before fleeing to Mexico by private jet to seek asylum. He was forced to stand down but had done so willingly, "to ensure there would be no more bloodshed". Morales stepped down following weeks of social turmoil and violent protests. Bolivians took to the streets over election fraud during the presidential election. He tweeted: "It pains me to leave Bolivia for political reasons....I'll return soon, with more strength and energy."

Sources: <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-latin-america-50399640>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. declared herself interim | a. boycotted the vote |
| 2. the resignation of former- | b. elections soon |
| 3. she was next in line | c. in history |
| 4. She vowed to hold | d. president Evo Morales |
| 5. pacify the | e. wing senator |
| 6. Morales' socialist party | f. president |
| 7. a coup-mongering right- | g. country |
| 8. most nefarious coup | h. to be president |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. He feared for | a. for political reasons |
| 2. seek | b. violent protests |
| 3. Morales stepped | c. strength and energy |
| 4. weeks of social turmoil and | d. his life |
| 5. Bolivians took | e. down |
| 6. during the presidential | f. to the streets |
| 7. It pains me to leave Bolivia | g. asylum |
| 8. I'll return soon with more | h. election |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Bolivia's new (1) _____ senator Jeanine Áñez. She declared herself interim president after (2) _____ former-president Evo Morales. Ms Áñez said she was next in line to be president. She (3) _____ elections soon. She said: "I assume the presidency immediately and will do everything (4) _____ the country." Lawmakers from Mr Morales' socialist party (5) _____. His allies branded Ms Áñez "a coup-mongering right-wing senator". Mr Morales said the takeover was the, "sneakiest, (6) _____ in history".

Mr Morales has fled to Mexico. He feared (7) _____ in Bolivia. He released a photo of himself sleeping on a concrete floor at an undisclosed location (8) _____ Mexico by private jet to seek asylum. He was (9) _____ down but had done so willingly, "to ensure there would be no more bloodshed". Morales stepped down following weeks (10) _____ and violent protests. Bolivians took to the streets (11) _____ during the presidential election. He tweeted: "It pains me to leave Bolivia for political reasons....I'll return soon, with more (12) _____."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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BOLIVIA SURVEY

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