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Level 4 – 22nd January, 2021

Biden vows to repair global alliances

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Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Joe Biden promised to re-establish global alliances. He became the 46th U.S. President on Wednesday. There were around 25,000 National Guard troops to make sure the inauguration took place peacefully. Mr Biden will change the direction of America's foreign policy. He will rejoin the Paris climate accord. He wants to restore America's reputation. He said: "We will repair our alliances and engage with the world once again."

Donald Trump left office and promised to "be back". His farewell words were: "Have a good life, we will see you soon." He did not attend the inauguration. Mr Trump said: "This has been an incredible four years. We've accomplished so much together." He added: "It's been a...privilege to be your president....I wish the new administration great luck and great success....They have the foundation to do something really spectacular."

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. He became the | a. once again |
| 2. the inauguration took | b. policy |
| 3. Mr Biden will | c. 46th U.S. President |
| 4. America's foreign | d. our alliances |
| 5. He will rejoin the Paris | e. reputation |
| 6. He wants to restore America's | f. change the direction |
| 7. We will repair | g. climate accord |
| 8. engage with the world | h. place peacefully |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Donald Trump left | a. be back |
| 2. promised to | b. four years |
| 3. His farewell | c. your president |
| 4. He did not attend the | d. spectacular |
| 5. This has been an incredible | e. words |
| 6. We've accomplished so | f. office |
| 7. It's been a...privilege to be | g. much together |
| 8. do something really | h. inauguration |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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(1) _____ 46th U.S. President on Wednesday. There were around 25,000 National Guard (2) _____ sure the inauguration (3) _____. Mr Biden will change the direction of America's foreign policy. He (4) _____ Paris climate accord. He (5) _____ America's reputation. He said: "We will repair our alliances and engage with the (6) _____."

Donald Trump left office and promised (7) _____. His farewell words were: "Have (8) _____, we will see you soon." He (9) _____ the inauguration. Mr Trump said: "This has been an (10) _____. We've accomplished so much together." He added: "It's been (11) _____ be your president....I wish the new administration great luck and great success....They have (12) _____ do something really spectacular."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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JOE BIDEN SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Joe Biden 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) _____

