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Level 0 – 26th August, 2021

2020 Tokyo Paralympics under way

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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 2020 Tokyo Paralympic Games have started. There will be 539 events in 22 sports over 12 days. The International Paralympic Committee (IPC) said there are 161 countries and 4,500 para athletes. Japan's emperor wished all athletes "the very best". The IPC said the Paralympics were fantastic and could change society.

The IPC said: "Thanks to the efforts of many people, the most transformative sport event on Earth is about to begin." A 14-year-old swimmer was excited. She said: "I feel like I'm meeting movie stars." She added: "Since it's the Paralympics and everybody else is disabled, I feel really comfortable."

Sources: <https://the-japan-news.com/news/article/0007704337>
<https://www.asahi.com/ajw/articles/14425044>
<https://english.kyodonews.net/news/2021/08/e5935c34a293-japan-emperor-hoping-paralympians-can-reach-highest-highs.html>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| 1. There will | a. athletes |
| 2. 22 sports over | b. fantastic |
| 3. there are 161 | c. be 539 events |
| 4. 4,500 para | d. society |
| 5. Japan's | e. best |
| 6. wished all athletes the very | f. 12 days |
| 7. the Paralympics were | g. emperor |
| 8. change | h. countries |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. The IPC said | a. event |
| 2. the efforts | b. old swimmer |
| 3. the most transformative sport | c. Paralympics |
| 4. about to | d. comfortable |
| 5. A 14-year- | e. thanks |
| 6. I feel like I'm meeting | f. of many people |
| 7. Since it's the | g. movie stars |
| 8. I feel really | h. begin |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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(1) _____ Paralympic Games have started.

(2) _____ 539 events in 22 sports

(3) _____. The International Paralympic

Committee (IPC) said there are (4) _____ 4,500

para athletes. Japan's emperor wished all athletes

"(5) _____". The IPC said the Paralympics were

fantastic (6) _____ society.

The IPC said: "Thanks (7) _____ of many people,

the most transformative (8) _____ Earth is about

to begin." A (9) _____ swimmer was excited. She

said: "I (10) _____ meeting movie stars." She

added: "(11) _____ Paralympics and everybody

else is disabled, I (12) _____."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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THE PARALYMPICS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about the Paralympics 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) _____

