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Level 0 – 16th December, 2021

TIME names Elon Musk 2021 Person of the Year

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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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TIME magazine said its Person of the Year for 2021 is Elon Musk. TIME said few people have influenced life on Earth and off Earth more than Mr Musk. He is the richest person in the world. He has brought great changes in society. He is helping to save the world and our future. He wants to explore space and get to Mars.

This year has been amazing for Elon Musk. He went into space*. His company SpaceX might take us to Mars. His car company Tesla has two-thirds of the electric car market. Musk is also an inventor. He started the e-payments company PayPal. He also has companies in robotics, solar technology and artificial intelligence. TIME called him a genius.

* ERROR: Elon Musk has never been into space.

Sources: <https://time.com/person-of-the-year-2021-elon-musk/>
<https://www.npr.org/2021/12/13/1063792887/elon-musk-time-person-of-the-year>
<https://edition.cnn.com/2021/12/13/media/slug-time-person-year-elon-musk/index.html>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. TIME | a. to Mars |
| 2. few people have | b. in the world |
| 3. life on | c. space |
| 4. He is the richest person | d. influenced life |
| 5. He has brought great changes | e. Earth |
| 6. He is helping to | f. magazine |
| 7. He wants to explore | g. save the world |
| 8. get | h. in society |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| 1. This year has been amazing | a. in robotics |
| 2. He went | b. intelligence |
| 3. Tesla has two- | c. company |
| 4. Musk is also an | d. him a genius |
| 5. He started the e-payments | e. inventor |
| 6. He also has companies | f. for Elon Musk |
| 7. artificial | g. thirds |
| 8. TIME called | h. into space |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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TIME (1) _____ Person of the Year for 2021 is
Elon Musk. TIME (2) _____ have influenced life
on Earth (3) _____ more than Mr Musk. He is the
richest (4) _____ world. He has brought great
(5) _____. He is helping to save the world and
our future. He wants to explore (6) _____ to
Mars.

This year (7) _____ for Elon Musk. He went
into space. His company SpaceX (8) _____ to
Mars. His car company Tesla has (9) _____ the
electric car market. Musk is (10) _____. He
started the e-payments company PayPal. (11) _____
companies in robotics, solar technology and artificial intelligence.
TIME called (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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explorespaceandgettoMars.ThisyearhasbeenamazingforElonMusk.
Hewentintospace.HiscompanySpaceXmighttakeustoMars.Hiscarco
mpanyTeslahastwo-thirdsoftheelectriccarmarket.Muskisalsoanin
ventor.Hestartedthee-paymentscompanyPayPal.Healsohascompan
iesinrobotics,solartechnologyandartificialintelligence.TIMEcalledhi
magenius.

ELON MUSK SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Elon Musk 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) _____

