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Level 0

China launches first Chinese-made aircraft carrier

28th April, 2017

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1704/170428-aircraft-carrier-0.html>

China is getting stronger. It has the first aircraft carrier it built on its own. The new carrier weighs 50,000 tons. Navy officials broke a bottle of champagne over the carrier at a traditional ceremony. Workers began building the carrier in 2015. The Navy will test it at sea for three years. It will be ready to use in 2020.

A spokesperson was proud of the carrier. It shows China is a modern and strong country. The new carrier will protect China's borders, shipping and trade routes. A social media user said the carrier showed China's "technological power...and strength". China may build four more carriers, like the U.S. Navy carriers.

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PHRASE MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1704/170428-aircraft-carrier-0.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. China is getting | a. for three years |
| 2. The new carrier weighs | b. ceremony |
| 3. broke a bottle | c. use in 2020 |
| 4. at a traditional | d. it |
| 5. Workers began building the | e. of champagne |
| 6. The Navy will test | f. stronger |
| 7. at sea | g. 50,000 tons |
| 8. ready to | h. carrier in 2015 |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---|-------------------|
| 1. A spokesperson was proud | a. media |
| 2. It shows China is a modern and | b. borders |
| 3. protect China's | c. routes |
| 4. shipping and trade | d. more carriers |
| 5. social | e. of the carrier |
| 6. the carrier showed China's technological | f. carriers |
| 7. China may build four | g. power |
| 8. like the U.S. Navy | h. strong country |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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China is (1) _____. It has the first aircraft carrier it (2) _____. The new carrier weighs 50,000 tons. Navy officials (3) _____ of champagne over the (4) _____ traditional ceremony. Workers began building (5) _____ 2015. The Navy will test it at sea for three years. It will be (6) _____ 2020.

A spokesperson (7) _____ the carrier. It shows China (8) _____ and strong country. The new carrier will protect China's borders, (9) _____ routes. A (10) _____ user said the carrier showed China's "technological (11) _____". China may build four more carriers, (12) _____ Navy carriers.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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AIRCRAFT CARRIER SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1704/170428-aircraft-carrier-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about aircraft carrier 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) _____

