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Level 1 – 13th July, 2018

Bright pink is the world's oldest colour

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Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Scientists have found that bright pink is the world's oldest colour. Researchers looked at 1.1-billion-year-old rocks from the Sahara. They made powder from the rocks and found a bright pink colour. A scientist from the Australia National University experimented on the rocks. She said ancient organisms made the pink colour. They lived in old oceans that no longer exist. At that time, tiny organisms were the biggest life forms on Earth.

The researcher was amazed at the pink in the rocks. She thought the rock powder would be black, but it turned pink. Another researcher was also surprised that the 1.1-billion-year-old rocks "had this bright pink" colour. The scientist explained how important this news is. She said: "Imagine you could find a fossilized dinosaur skin that still has its original colour - green or blue. That is exactly the type of discovery that we've made."

Sources: <https://edition.cnn.com/2018/07/10/health/oldest-color-pink-trnd/index.html>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. 1.1-billion-year- | a. exist |
| 2. They made powder | b. organisms |
| 3. found a bright | c. from the rocks |
| 4. experimented | d. on Earth |
| 5. oceans that no longer | e. pink colour |
| 6. At that | f. old rocks |
| 7. tiny | g. time |
| 8. the biggest life forms | h. on the rocks |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. The researcher was amazed | a. news is |
| 2. rock | b. pink |
| 3. it turned | c. we've made |
| 4. Another researcher | d. powder |
| 5. how important this | e. colour |
| 6. a fossilized | f. at the pink |
| 7. still has its original | g. dinosaur skin |
| 8. the type of discovery that | h. was also surprised |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Scientists (1) _____ bright pink is the world's oldest colour. Researchers looked at 1.1-billion-year-old rocks from the Sahara. They (2) _____ the rocks and found a bright pink colour. A (3) _____ Australia National University experimented (4) _____. She said ancient organisms made the pink colour. They lived in old oceans that (5) _____. At that time, tiny organisms were the biggest (6) _____ Earth.

The researcher was (7) _____ pink in the rocks. She thought (8) _____ would be black, but it turned pink. Another researcher (9) _____ that the 1.1-billion-year-old rocks "had this bright pink" colour. The scientist explained how important (10) _____. She said: "Imagine (11) _____ a fossilized dinosaur skin that still has its original colour - green or blue. That is exactly the type of discovery (12) _____."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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PINK SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1807/180713-pink-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about pink 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) _____

