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Level 0 – 21st November, 2018

Conception to birth sculptures unveiled in Qatar

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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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A new artwork is on show at a hospital in Qatar. The artist's work is called "The Miraculous Journey". It is 14 sculptures that show how life starts, from conception to birth. The first sculpture shows sperm entering an egg. Others show an embryo, a fetus in the womb and a newborn baby. The sculptures are up to 14 meters high.

Not everyone is happy with the sculptures. Not everyone will like or understand them. They will start a lot of discussion. They show the hospital's work of taking care of women and babies. The artist said: "The journey a baby goes through before birth is bigger than anything." He said his sculpture will amaze people.

Sources: <https://mashable.com/article/damien-hirst-uterus-sculptures-qatar/>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. A new artwork | a. embryo |
| 2. sculptures that show | b. baby |
| 3. from conception | c. how life starts |
| 4. sperm entering | d. to 14 meters high |
| 5. Others show an | e. an egg |
| 6. a fetus in the | f. to birth |
| 7. a newborn | g. womb |
| 8. The sculptures are up | h. is on show |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Not everyone is happy with | a. work |
| 2. Not everyone will like or | b. than anything |
| 3. start a lot | c. and babies |
| 4. They show the hospital's | d. amaze people |
| 5. taking care of women | e. understand them |
| 6. The journey a baby | f. of discussion |
| 7. bigger | g. the sculptures |
| 8. his sculpture will | h. goes through |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A new artwork (1) _____ at a hospital in Qatar.

The artist's (2) _____ "The Miraculous Journey". It

is 14 sculptures (3) _____ life starts, from

conception to birth. (4) _____ shows sperm

entering an egg. Others (5) _____, a fetus in the

womb and a newborn baby. The sculptures

(6) _____ 14 meters high.

Not everyone (7) _____ the sculptures. Not

everyone (8) _____ understand them. They will

start (9) _____ discussion. They show the

hospital's work of (10) _____ women and babies.

The artist said: "The journey (11) _____ through

before birth is bigger than anything." He said his sculpture

(12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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SCULPTURES SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1811/181121-damien-hirst-sculptures-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about sculptures 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) _____

