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China and India agree to peace over border

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Please try Levels 4 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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China and India resolved a border dispute that was a worrying source of tension. The past few weeks saw tit-for-tat attacks between the world's two most populous nations. The flashpoints between the two nuclear powers took place in the Himalayas along the long border that divides the two countries. Chinese and Indian officials met on Saturday in an area adjacent to the border. They agreed to "peacefully resolve" their dispute in a "cordial" meeting. India said: "Both sides agreed to peacefully resolve the situation...in accordance with various bilateral agreements."

The disputed area is called the Line of Actual Control (LAC). It was established in 1993 and is one of the world's longest land borders. Small conflicts have taken place since the Sino-Indian War (also known as the Indo-China War) in 1962. The icy terrain along the LAC means the border is shifting. This has made it difficult to know what areas of the landscape belong to which country. China said the 70th anniversary of diplomatic relations between the two countries meant that, "both sides agreed that an early resolution would contribute to the further development of that relationship".

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PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200610-border-dispute-5.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. resolved a | a. to the border |
| 2. a worrying source | b. the two countries |
| 3. the long border that divides | c. bilateral agreements |
| 4. officials met | d. border dispute |
| 5. in an area adjacent | e. the situation |
| 6. Both sides | f. on Saturday |
| 7. peacefully resolve | g. of tension |
| 8. in accordance with various | h. agreed |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--|-------------------------|
| 1. It was established | a. sides agreed |
| 2. one of the world's | b. place since |
| 3. Small conflicts have taken | c. shifting |
| 4. the border is | d. of that relationship |
| 5. what areas of the landscape belong | e. longest land borders |
| 6. the 70th anniversary of | f. to which country |
| 7. both | g. in 1993 |
| 8. contribute to the further development | h. diplomatic relations |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200610-border-dispute-5.html>

China and India resolved (1) _____ that was a worrying source of tension. The past few weeks (2) _____ between the world's two most populous nations. The flashpoints between the two nuclear (3) _____ in the Himalayas along the long border that divides the two countries. Chinese and Indian (4) _____ Saturday in an area adjacent to the border. They agreed to "peacefully resolve" their dispute in (5) _____. India said: "Both sides agreed to peacefully resolve the situation... (6) _____ various bilateral agreements."

The disputed (7) _____ the Line of Actual Control (LAC). It was established in 1993 and is one of the world's (8) _____. Small conflicts have taken place since the Sino-Indian War (also known as the Indo-China War) in 1962. The (9) _____ the LAC means the border is shifting. This has made it difficult to know what areas of the landscape (10) _____ country. China said the 70th anniversary of diplomatic relations between the two countries meant that, "both sides agreed that (11) _____ would contribute to the further development (12) _____".

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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BORDERS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200610-border-dispute-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about borders 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) _____

