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Level 0 – 16th March 2023

Vinyl records outsell CDs for first time since 1987

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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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Vinyl records are coming back. People thought they would disappear after CDs and MP3s came out. Many young people are becoming interested in the 12-inch discs. In 2022, record sales overtook CD sales for the first time since 1987. The year 2022 was the 16th year of sales growth in a row.

A record association said: "Vinyl is cementing its role in modern music." It added: "Music lovers can't get enough of the high-quality sound....Record labels have made beautifully crafted discs." The covid pandemic helped records to come back. Many people worked at home and bought record players. That is continuing today.

Sources: <https://www.bbc.com/news/64919126>
<https://www.theverge.com/2023/3/10/23633605/vinyl-records-surpasses-cd-music-sales-us-riaa>
<https://www.businessinsider.com/vinyl-sales-surpass-cds-first-time-since-1987-record-resurgence-2023-3>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Vinyl records are | a. CD sales |
| 2. People thought they | b. came out |
| 3. after CDs and MP3s | c. interested |
| 4. young people are becoming | d. in a row |
| 5. 12-inch | e. coming back |
| 6. record sales overtook | f. since 1987 |
| 7. for the first time | g. would disappear |
| 8. the 16th year of sales growth | h. discs |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 1. A record | a. quality sound |
| 2. its role in modern | b. players |
| 3. the high- | c. pandemic |
| 4. beautifully | d. continuing today |
| 5. the covid | e. association |
| 6. Many people worked | f. crafted discs |
| 7. record | g. at home |
| 8. That is | h. music |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Vinyl (1) _____ back. People thought they would disappear after CDs and (2) _____. Many young people are becoming interested (3) _____-inch discs. In 2022, record sales overtook CD sales for the (4) _____ 1987. The year 2022 (5) _____ year of sales growth (6) _____.

A record association said: "Vinyl (7) _____ role in modern music." It added: "Music (8) _____ enough of the (9) _____Record labels have made beautifully crafted discs." The (10) _____ records to come back. Many people (11) _____ and bought record players. That (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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VINYL RECORDS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about vinyl records 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) _____

WRITING

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Write about **vinyl records** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner’s paper.
