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Level 0

Abandoned puppy gets job at baseball club

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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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An unwanted puppy has a new home. Someone left the 7-week-old puppy at a baseball stadium in the USA. The team put a message on its website but did not find the dog's owner. The team's president adopted the puppy. He called her Daisy. She is now the team's 'bat dog'. She will take baseball bats to players.

Mr Orton said Daisy was also hungry and needed a drink. The vet said she "was in pretty good health". Daisy may be too small to pick up a bat. She will be at the ballpark every day and greet visitors. She will be very popular. Mr Orton said: "It was just meant to be that we'd have a team dog as part of our staff."

Sources: <http://abcnews.go.com/Lifestyle/georgia-baseball-team-adopts-puppy-abandoned-stadium-bat/story?id=39091699>
<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/early-lead/wp/2016/05/12/a-ridiculously-cute-puppy-found-outside-a-stadium-has-been-adopted-by-the-team/>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. the 7-week- | a. her Daisy |
| 2. baseball | b. on its website |
| 3. put a message | c. to players |
| 4. did not | d. old puppy |
| 5. The team's president adopted | e. find the dog's owner |
| 6. He called | f. team's 'bat dog' |
| 7. She is now the | g. the puppy |
| 8. take baseball bats | h. stadium |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1. hungry and needed | a. up a bat |
| 2. she was in pretty | b. be very popular |
| 3. Daisy may be too | c. staff |
| 4. pick | d. good health |
| 5. greet | e. to be |
| 6. She will | f. a drink |
| 7. It was just meant | g. visitors |
| 8. part of our | h. small |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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An unwanted puppy (1) _____. Someone left the 7-week-(2) _____ baseball stadium in the USA. The team (3) _____ its website but did not find (4) _____. The team's president adopted the puppy. He called her Daisy. (5) _____ team's 'bat dog'. She will take baseball (6) _____.

Mr Orton said Daisy (7) _____ and needed a drink. The vet said she "(8) _____ health".

Daisy (9) _____ to pick up a bat. She will be at the ballpark (10) _____ visitors. She will be very popular. Mr Orton said: "It (11) _____ to be that we'd have a team dog as (12) _____."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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PUPPIES SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1605/160517-puppy-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about puppies 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) _____

