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Level 2

U.S. police to look into shooting of zoo gorilla

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Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Police in Ohio, USA are looking into the shooting of a 17-year gorilla at Cincinnati Zoo. They will find out the facts about the killing of Harambe the gorilla after a four-year-old boy fell into the ape's cage. Video shows the gorilla dragging the boy through water in his cage for ten minutes. Some people at the zoo said they were worried about the boy's safety. Other people said the gorilla was protecting the child and that the animal was upset by the noise from the crowds of people looking at it. Zookeepers decided to shoot the gorilla because they were worried about the boy's life.

Animal rights groups are angry that the gorilla was killed. They say zookeepers should have shot Harambe to make him sleep. Zookeepers said it takes too long to make a 200kg gorilla sleep and that the boy was in danger. There is now an online petition that 300,000 people signed. They say the boy's mother and the zoo are responsible for Harambe's death. People think the mother should have looked after her son better. The mother said no parent can watch their children every second. She said: "As a society, we are quick to judge how a parent could take their eyes off their child."

Sources: <http://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-36420437>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. find out the | a. shoot the gorilla |
| 2. fell into the ape's | b. boy's safety |
| 3. the gorilla dragging the boy | c. facts |
| 4. worried about the | d. about the boy's life |
| 5. the gorilla was | e. cage |
| 6. upset by the noise | f. through water |
| 7. Zookeepers decided to | g. protecting the child |
| 8. worried | h. from the crowds |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--|----------------------------|
| 1. Animal | a. to make him sleep |
| 2. zookeepers should have shot Harambe | b. danger |
| 3. Zookeepers said it | c. after her son |
| 4. the boy was in | d. for Harambe's death |
| 5. an online | e. rights groups are angry |
| 6. responsible | f. every second |
| 7. the mother should have looked | g. petition |
| 8. no parent can watch their children | h. takes too long |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Police in Ohio, USA are looking into (1) _____ a 17-year gorilla at Cincinnati Zoo. They will find (2) _____ about the killing of Harambe the gorilla after a four-year-old boy (3) _____ ape's cage. Video shows the gorilla (4) _____ through water in his cage for ten minutes. Some people at the zoo said they were worried about the boy's safety. Other people said the gorilla was protecting the child and that the animal (5) _____ the noise from the crowds of people looking at it. Zookeepers (6) _____ the gorilla because they were worried about the boy's life.

Animal rights groups (7) _____ the gorilla was killed. They say zookeepers should have shot Harambe to make him sleep. Zookeepers said it (8) _____ to make a 200kg gorilla sleep and that the boy (9) _____. There is now an online petition that 300,000 people signed. They say the boy's mother and the zoo (10) _____ for Harambe's death. People think the mother should have looked after her son better. The mother said (11) _____ watch their children every second. She said: "As a society, we are quick to judge how a parent could (12) _____ off their child."

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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GORILLAS SURVEY

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1606/160602-harambe-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about gorillas 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) _____

