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Mount Fuji gets free Wi-Fi

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THE READING

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Japan's snow-covered Mount Fuji is a world-famous mountain. Nearly 300,000 people climb the 3,776-meter mountain every year. Now they can tweet about it or post pictures on Facebook from the top of Mount Fuji. Japan's biggest telecommunications company has started a free Wi-Fi service on Fuji. Climbers can access free Wi-Fi service at eight different hotspots, including at the summit. The Wi-Fi will only be available for three months. This is the length of the climbing season. After users log on, they will have 72 hours of free Wi-Fi access from the mountain.

The number of climbers on Mount Fuji has increased since the mountain became a UNESCO World Heritage site two years ago. The U.N. said Fuji was an important symbol of Japan. Local authorities hope the Wi-Fi service will keep climbers safe on the mountain. People can now check weather warnings and find shelter. They can also call for help if their phone loses its signal. The highest place in the world to have a Wi-Fi hotspot is Mount Everest. It has a hotspot at its last base camp, which is 5,148 metres high. The North Pole and the International Space Station also have hotspots.

Sources: <http://www.japantoday.com/category/national/view/mount-fuji-climbing-season-opens-free-wi-fi-service-available>
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MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1507/150712-mountain-fuji-2.html>

PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--|-----------------------------|
| 1. Fuji is a world- | a. for three months |
| 2. Now they can tweet | b. climbing season |
| 3. post pictures | c. about it |
| 4. Japan's biggest telecommunications | d. access from the mountain |
| 5. eight different | e. on Facebook |
| 6. The Wi-Fi will only be available | f. famous mountain |
| 7. This is the length of the | g. company |
| 8. they will have 72 hours of free Wi-Fi | h. hotspots |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---|-------------------------|
| 1. a UNESCO | a. warnings |
| 2. an important | b. camp |
| 3. keep climbers | c. loses its signal |
| 4. check weather | d. Space Station |
| 5. They can also call for help if their phone | e. symbol of Japan |
| 6. The highest place | f. World Heritage site |
| 7. It has a hotspot at its last base | g. safe on the mountain |
| 8. the International | h. in the world |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Japan's (1) _____ Fuji is a world-famous mountain. Nearly 300,000 people climb (2) _____ mountain every year. Now they can tweet about it or post pictures on Facebook (3) _____ Mount Fuji. Japan's biggest telecommunications company has started a free Wi-Fi service on Fuji. Climbers (4) _____ Wi-Fi service at eight different hotspots, including (5) _____. The Wi-Fi will only be available for three months. This is the length of the climbing season. (6) _____, they will have 72 hours of free Wi-Fi access from the mountain.

The (7) _____ Mount Fuji has increased since the mountain became a UNESCO World Heritage (8) _____. The U.N. said Fuji was an important symbol of Japan. Local authorities hope the Wi-Fi service will keep (9) _____ mountain. People can now check weather warnings and find shelter. They (10) _____ if their phone loses its signal. The highest place in the world to have a Wi-Fi hotspot is Mount Everest. It (11) _____ its last base camp, which is 5,148 metres high. The North Pole and the International Space Station (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)

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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)

g)

h)
